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**PROTOCOL INSTITUTING A CONCILIATION AND GOOD OFFICES
COMMISSION TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SEEKING THE SETTLEMENT
OF ANY DISPUTES WHICH MAY ARISE BETWEEN STATES PARTIES
TO THE CONVENTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION:
NOMINATIONS AND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONVENTIONS
AND RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON**

SUMMARY

In accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the above Protocol, the Director-General communicates to the Executive Board the list of persons nominated by the States Parties to the Protocol for the purpose of the election of six members of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission by the General Conference at its next session.

Under the terms of the same paragraph, the Executive Board is required to transmit this list to the General Conference with such suggestions as it may consider useful.

1. At its 12th session on 10 December 1962, the General Conference adopted a Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education.
2. Article 1 of this Protocol established, under the auspices of UNESCO, a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission, to be responsible for seeking the amicable settlement of disputes, between States Parties to the Convention, concerning the application or interpretation of the Convention.

3. The Protocol having entered into force on 24 October 1968, the General Conference at its 16th session, under Article 2 of the Protocol, elected the 11 members of the Commission on 6 November 1970.

4. The term of office of the following four members of the Commission expiring, the General Conference at its 31st session will be required to fill the corresponding four vacant seats:

Mr Omar Azziman (Morocco)
Mr Peter Kenilorea (Solomon Islands)
Mr Jorge Luján Muñoz (Guatemala)
Mr Carlos Assunção Silva (Portugal)

5. Two further seats, vacant since the 30th session, also remain to be filled.

6. A list of members of the Commission, with indication of the dates of their election or re-election, appears in Annex I.

7. The list of States Parties to the Protocol as at 1 July 2001 is reproduced in Annex II.

8. Under Article 2 of the Protocol, the members of the Commission must be persons of high moral standing and acknowledged impartiality. They serve in their personal capacity. In the election of members of the Commission, the General Conference shall endeavour to include persons of recognized competence in the field of education and persons having judicial experience, or legal experience, particularly of an international character. It shall also give consideration to equitable geographical distribution of membership and to the representation of the different forms of civilization as well as of the principal legal systems.

9. Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Protocol provides that the Commission may not include more than one national of the same State.

10. Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Protocol provides that the members of the Commission shall be elected from a list of persons nominated for the purpose by the States Parties to the Protocol, after consultation with their National Commissions for UNESCO. Each State Party may nominate not more than four persons, who must be nationals of States Parties to the Protocol.

11. In pursuance of paragraph 2 of the same Article, the Director-General, by letter DG/18/2001/056 of 9 April 2001, invited the States Parties to the Protocol to submit nominations.

12. At the date of the preparation of the present document no State had presented any candidates.

13. The Board may wish to adopt the following draft decision:

The Executive Board,

1. Recalling the provisions of Article 3 of the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education,

2. Having taken note of document 162 EX/19 and of the fact that no persons had yet been nominated by the States Parties to the aforementioned Protocol for the purpose of the election of six members of the Commission,
3. Requests the Director-General to transmit to the General Conference any candidatures which he may receive before the opening of its 31st session.

ANNEX I

**CONCILIATION AND GOOD OFFICES COMMISSION
TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SEEKING THE SETTLEMENT
OF ANY DISPUTES WHICH MAY ARISE BETWEEN STATES PARTIES
TO THE CONVENTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION**

Membership and dates of election or re-election

Member	Date of election or re-election
Mr Omar Azziman (Morocco)	14 November 1995
Mr Pierre-Michel Eisemann (France)	10 November 1997
Mr Iskandar Ghattas (Egypt)	15 November 1999
Rt. Hon. Sir Peter Kenilorea (Solomon Islands)	14 November 1995
Professor Jorge Luján Muñoz (Guatemala)	14 November 1995
Mr Francesco Margiotta-Broglio (Italy)	10 November 1997
Mr Sedfrey Ordoñez (Philippines)	10 November 1997
Mr Carlos Assunção Silva (Portugal)	14 November 1995
Mr Said M. Tell (Jordan)	10 November 1997

ANNEX II

**LIST OF STATES PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL INSTITUTING
A CONCILIATION AND GOOD OFFICES COMMISSION TO BE RESPONSIBLE
FOR SEEKING THE SETTLEMENT OF ANY DISPUTES WHICH MAY ARISE
BETWEEN STATES PARTIESTO THE CONVENTION AGAINST
DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION**

(Paris, 10 December 1962)

Argentina	Madagascar
Australia	Malta
Brunei Darussalam	Morocco
Costa Rica	Netherlands
Côte d'Ivoire	Niger
Cyprus	Norway
Denmark	Panama
Dominica	Philippines
Egypt	Portugal
France	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Germany	Senegal
Guatemala	Solomon Islands
Israel	Spain
Italy	Uganda
Jordan	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	