

« National Action Plan »
in the texts adopted
by UN bodies since the
World Conference against Racism,
Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia
and Related Intolerance

19th January 2009

WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION XENOPHOBIA AND RELATED INTOLERANCE Durban, 31st August – 8th September 2001

Declaration

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107. We underscore the need to design, promote and implement at the national, regional and international levels strategies, programmes and policies, and adequate legislation, which may include special and positive measures, for furthering equal social development and the realization of the civil and political, economic, social and cultural rights of all victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including through more effective access to the political, judicial and administrative institutions, as well as the need to technology contribute effectively to the improvement of the quality of life for all, without discrimination;

Programme of Action

and policies, in addition to existing anti-discrimination national legislation and relevant international instruments and mechanisms, which encourage all citizens and institutions to take a stand against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and to recognize, respect and maximize the benefits of diversity within and among all nations in working together to build a harmonious and productive future by putting into practice and promoting values and principles such as justice, equality and non-discrimination, democracy, public information and education programmes to raise awareness and understanding of the benefits of cultural governmental organizations and other sectors of civil society;

66. Urges States to establish and implement without delay national policies and action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Fifty-sixth session

A/RES/56/266

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance

The General Assembly,

- OP 10. Urges States to establish and implement without delay national policies and action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;
- OP 11. Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay at the national, regional and international levels policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

A/RES/56/267

Measures to combat contemporary forms of racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

The General Assembly,

- OP 6. Also urges States to establish on the basis of statistical information national programmes, which may include affirmative or positive measures, to promote access by individuals and groups of individuals who are or may be victims of racial discrimination to basic social services, including primary education, basic health care and adequate housing;
- OP 13. Also urges States to take all necessary measures to address specifically, through policies and programmes, racism and racially motivated violence against women and girls and to increase cooperation, policy responses and effective implementation of national legislation and of their obligations under relevant international instruments, and to take other protective and preventive measures aimed at the elimination of all forms of racially motivated discrimination and violence against women and girls;
- OP 22. Recognizes that members of certain groups with a distinct cultural identity face barriers arising from a complex interplay of ethnic, religious and other factors, as well as their traditions and customs, and calls upon States to ensure that measures, policies and programmes aimed at eradicating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance address the barriers that this interplay of factors creates;
- OP 28. Underlines the need to design, promote and implement, at the national, regional and international levels, strategies, programmes and policies and adequate legislation, which may include special and positive measures, for furthering equal social development and the realization of the civil and political, economic, social and cultural rights of all victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, inter alia, through more effective access to political, judicial and administrative institutions, and also underlines the need to technology contribute effectively to the improvement of the quality of life for all, without discrimination:

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Fifty-eighth session

Resolution 2002/68

Racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

The Commission on Human Rights, • • • • • •

- Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay at the national, regional and international OP 1. levels policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance,
- OP 11. Emphasizes the importance of the appointment of the five independent eminent experts by the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the provisions of the Durban Declaration and Programme of
- (a) To receive reports from States, non-governmental organizations, and all relevant institutions within the United Nations system on the implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and make recommendations to States for their national plans of action, bearing in mind the resource constraints of the

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Fifty-seventh session

A/RES/57/195

The fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The General Assembly,

- Urges States to mainstream a gender perspective in the design and development of prevention, education and protection measures aimed at the eradication of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance at all levels, to ensure that they effectively target the distinct situations of women and men; OP 18.
- Calls upon States to elaborate action plans, in consultation with national human rights institutions, other institutions created by law to combat racism, and civil society, and to provide the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights with such action plans and other relevant materials on measures taken to
- Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay at the national, regional and international levels policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance,

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Fifty-ninth session

E/CN.4/2003/20

Report of the Intergovernmental Working Group on the Effective Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action on its first session

- 33. Following is the text of the recommendations adopted by the Intergovernmental Working Group:
 - The Working Group recommends that all States formulate and implement without delay at the national, regional and international levels policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

E/CN.4/2003/21

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Report of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent on its first and second sessions

- CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON PEOPLE IV.
 - B. Recommendations

The Working Group encourages States and national institutions to include people of African descent, in particular, in the elaboration and implementation of national plans of action to combat racism and racial discrimination, as recommended in the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action.

Resolution 2003/30

World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The Commission on Human Rights,

- Urges all Governments to take all other necessary measures to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including new and contemporary forms of racism, through specific measures and programmes, in particular in the legislative, judicial, administrative, educational and information fields;
- Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay at the national, regional and international levels policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;
- Invites States to assist the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in developing and funding, upon the request of States, specific technical cooperation projects aimed at combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and when necessary and appropriate, to assist States in enhancing the development and implementation of their national action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Fifty-eighth session

A/RES/58/160

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of

The General Assembly,

OP 21. Calls upon States to elaborate action plans, in consultation with national human rights institutions, other institutions created by law to combat racism, and civil society, and to provide the United Nations High commissioner for Human Rights with such action plans and other relevant materials on measures taken to implement the provisions of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;

OP 22. Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay, at the national, regional and international levels, policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Sixtieth-session

Resolution 2004/53

Resolution 2004/53 Human rights of migrants

The Commission on Human Rights,

OP 5. Calls upon States to implement fully the commitments and recommendations relating to the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants contained in the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action through, inter alia, the adoption of national plans of action as recommended by the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Fifty-ninth session

A/RES/59/177

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The General Assembly,

- OP 18. Calls upon States to elaborate action plans, in consultation with national human rights institutions, other institutions created by law to combat racism, and civil society, and to provide the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights with such action plans and other relevant materials on measures taken to implement the provisions of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
- OP 19. Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay, at the national, regional and international levels, policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Sixty-first session

E/CN.4/2005/20

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Report of the Intergovernmental Working Group on the Effective Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action on its third session

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS

73. Following discussion on and analysis of the thematic issues of racism and health and racism and the Internet, and on the issue of complementary standards, the Working Group agreed by consensus to adopt the following recommendations:

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2. States should be encouraged to develop or elaborate national action plans to promote diversity, equality, social justice, equality of opportunity and the participation of all. In so doing, they should take a participatory approach, consulting with all sectors of society, including the victims of racism......

Resolution 2005/47 Human rights of migrants

The Commission on Human Rights,

Strongly condemns the manifestations and acts of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related OP 1. intolerance against migrants and the stereotypes often applied to them, and urges States to apply the existing laws when xenophobic or intolerant acts or manifestations or expressions against migrants occur, in order to eradicate impunity for those who commit xenophobic and racist acts, and calls upon States to implement fully the commitments and recommendations relating to the promotion and protection of human rights of migrants contained in the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action through, inter alia, the adoption of national plans of action, as recommended by the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Sixtieth session

A/RES/60/144

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of

The General Assembly,

- Welcomes the steps taken by numerous Governments, in particular the elaboration and implementation of national action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and steps taken by national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations, towards the full implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, and affirms this trend as a demonstration of commitment for
- Calls upon all States that have not yet elaborated their national action plans on the combating of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance to comply with their commitments undertaken at the World Conference;
- Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay, at the national, regional and international levels, policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Sixty-second session

E/CN.4/2006/18

Report of the Intergovernmental Working Group on the Effective Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action on its fourth session

VI. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 105. In fulfilment of its mandate to assess and evaluate the implementation of existing international instruments, including suggestions to enhance its effectiveness in the fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, the Working Group:
 - (g) Requests that OHCHR:
 - Strengthen its capacity to respond to technical assistance needs of States for the drafting of reports to CERD and other relevant bodies, including for the elaboration of national plans of action against racism;
- 109. Following discussion and analysis on the thematic issue of globalization and racism, the Working Group agreed on the adoption of the following conclusions and recommendations:
- (a) The Durban Declaration and Programme of Action remains the most appropriate, comprehensive and viable anti-discrimination agenda for national policies and strategies to address racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance. Its implementation through national action plans is more urgent than ever;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Sixty-first session

A/RES/61/149

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The General Assembly.

- OP 26. Welcomes the steps taken by numerous Governments, in particular the elaboration and implementation of national action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and steps taken by national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations, towards the full implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, and affirms this trend as a demonstration of commitment for the elimination of all scourges of racism at the national level;
- OP 27. Calls upon all States that have not yet elaborated their national action plans on combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance to comply with their commitments undertaken at the World Conference;
- OP 28. Calls upon all States to formulate and implement without delay, at the national, regional and international levels, policies and plans of action to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, including their gender-based manifestations;

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Sixty-second session

A/RES/62/220

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The General Assembly,

- OP 27. Welcomes the steps taken by numerous Governments, in particular the elaboration and implementation of national action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and steps taken by national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations, towards the full implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, and affirms this trend as a demonstration of commitment for the elimination of all scourges of racism at the national level;
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY Sixty-third session

A/RES/63/242

Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

The General Assembly,

- OP 27. Welcomes the steps taken by numerous Governments, in particular the elaboration and implementation of national action plans to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and steps taken by national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations, towards the full implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, and affirms this trend as a demonstration of commitment for the elimination of all scourges of racism at the national level;
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