

Training session for indigenous organizations on 'parallel' reporting to human rights treaty bodies

Saturday, 20 September 2003

**Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Palais Wilson, 52 rue des Pâquis, Geneva**

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights will host a workshop for indigenous NGOs and associations on how to draft and submit parallel reports to the Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in their consideration of State party reports.

- 10:00 – 10:30 Introduction and basic overview of the treaty body system and how it addresses indigenous issues (OHCHR)
- 10:30 – 11:00 NGO reporting (Laura Theytaz-Bergman, NGO Group for the CRC)
- 11:00 – 11:15 Break
- 11:15 – 13:00 Participants will be divided into two working groups to review a case study specific to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and International Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (ICERD) respectively. Groups will draft an outline of an NGO report based on the case studies.
- 13:00 – 14:00 Break
- 14:00 – 15:00 Reporting back by each of the working groups with feedback provided by Jaap Doek, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child and a representative of the Secretariat of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Those interested are requested to register with the Secretariat of the Working Group (Ms. Atina Gangmei), or to send an e-mail to: crc@ohchr.org

