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DRAFT INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

United States of America: Amendments to the  
Draft Declaration of Human Rights

Article 9:

Insert the word "penal" before the word "offence" in the  
second paragraph of Article 9, so as to read:

"

Article 9

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2. No one shall be held guilty of any penal offence on account  
of any act or omission which did not constitute a penal offence, under  
national or international law, at the time when it was committed."

Article 18:

Substitute the following text for the present text of Article 18:

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Article 18

Everyone has the right to freedom of assembly and association;  
especially for the promotion and protection of the rights and freedoms  
set forth in this Declaration."

Article 21:

Substitute the following text for the present text of the  
second paragraph of Article 21:

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Article 21

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2. Men and women have the right to equal pay for equal work.

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Article 27:

Amend the second paragraph of Article 27 to read as follows:

Article 27

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2. In the exercise of his rights and freedoms, everyone shall be  
subject only to such limitations as are necessary to secure due  
recognition and respect for the rights of others and the requirements of  
morality, public order and general welfare in a democratic society."