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1. Colombian Commission of Jurists

Special, 1999

Introduction

The Colombian Commission of Jurists (CCJ) is a human rights organization that seeks to contribute to the development of international human rights law and international humanitarian law, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, and the human rights and the rule of law in Colombia.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CCJ's aims are to contribute to the improvement of human rights and humanitarian law in Colombia; contribute to a negotiated solution to the armed conflict and achieve a lasting peace; and promote and contribute to the development, strengthening, and efficacy of the international human rights protection systems, in terms of monitoring and international protection procedures.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- all sessions of the Human Rights Council, Geneva, Switzerland, 2011-2014;
- 16th Session of the Universal Periodic Review Working Group, 23 April 2013;
- 56th Session of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) Committee, 2 October 2013;
- 68th pre-sessional Working Group, Committee on the Rights of the Child, 16-20 June 2014;
- Civil Society Consultations on strengthening the United Nations treaty body system, University of Pretoria, South Africa, 20-21 June 2011; and
- Regional Consultations for the Latin America and Caribbean region, Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence, Buenos Aires, Argentina, December 2012.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

During the reviewing period, CCJ presented many oral statements and reports to all the sessions of the Human Rights Council. It also submitted a Report to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNHCHR) on the human rights situation in Colombia, 23 March 2011.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

2. Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos — “Capaj”

Special, 1999

Introduction

Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos (CAPAJ), is a multinational organization that advocates for the rights of Andean peoples from South America in the international arena.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main objective is to promote self-development and fundamental human rights of indigenous peoples, by participating in forums and implementing projects to support the development of indigenous peoples, and encouraging them to exercise their democratic rights.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization has updated its force statutes, while preserving the essence of its founding constitution.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CAPAJ submitted several written contributions to the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) during sessions in Geneva, Switzerland: Shadow Report, Paraguay, June 2011; Monitorial Report, Bolivia, April 2012; Shadow Report, Chile, June 2013; and Shadow Report, Peru, August 2014.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 26th, 27th, and 28th Session of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Intergovernmental Committee, Geneva, Switzerland, February 2014, April 2014, July 2014. It also took part in the 79th, 81st, 83rd and 85th Session of the CERD, Geneva, Switzerland, 2011-2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization is an ad-hoc observer at the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee, which is developing draft international standards to protect traditional knowledge, cultural expressions, and genetic resources.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CAPAJ supports MDGs 1 and 7. It held a meeting of indigenous peoples delegates to create a pro-environmental movement and increase the participation in electoral events in the region of Tacna, Peru, August 2014. It organized a Young Peruvian peaceful mobilisation to promote improved working conditions and job insertion without discrimination, Tacna, Peru, December 2014. Finally, it mobilised civil society and indigenous people in parliament of Upper District Alliance, December 2014. This event was part of the “People’s Summit against COP 20”, a

nationwide march of sensitisation asking the Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Climate Change a cessation of greenhouse gas emissions, and a preservation of the territories of indigenous peoples in the Cordillera of the Andes and the Amazon.

3. Comité français pour l'Afrique du Sud

Special, 2007

Introduction

It promotes peace, democracy, and political transition in the African continent based, in particular, on the historical example of South Africa.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Committee seeks to provide material for studying the historical path taken by South Africa since the end of apartheid in 1994. Numerous exchanges are conducted to achieve that purpose.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Committee has frequently published newsletters regarding political and social change in South Africa since the fall of apartheid; commemorations of cultural and sporting events; new works on human rights and democracy, and Nelson Mandela and his contribution to reconciliation and transition mechanisms; and articles published in legal journals such as *La Semaine juridique*. In addition, the Committee organized seminars in the Senate in June 2013 and April 2014, on democracy issues in South Africa, while continuing to send missions to South Africa as part of its collaboration with the Legal Resources Centre NGO.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Committee took part on the 17th session of the Human Rights Council, from 30 May to 17 June, 2011, in Geneva, Switzerland, and in the Conference of George Bizos, a former attorney for Nelson Mandela, chaired by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Committee regularly invites representative of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in Paris, France, to attend its seminars.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Committee's activities seek to promote democracy and the rule of law in South Africa and to strengthen North-South cooperation between France and South

Africa. All these activities thus fit in with the Millennium Development Goals and the sustainable development goals.

Additional information

In 2013, the Committee contacted the European Commission regarding the matter of truth and reconciliation mechanisms, saying that, in its opinion, they ought to be more widely taught in school and university curricula in Europe. The Commission responded with a letter supporting the idea.

4. Comité Español de Representantes de Personas con Discapacidad

Special, 2011

Introduction

The Spanish Committee of Representatives of Persons with Disabilities (CERMI) is a platform for advocacy on the rights and interests of persons with disabilities and their families. CERMI has a unique culture which manifests itself in its mission, vision and values.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CERMI's mission, which is based on the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) is to unite and organise the disability movement in Spain; safeguard the rights, full citizenship and inclusion of persons with disabilities; and enhance their living conditions.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CERMI's yearly contributions consist in preparing a report on human rights and disabilities in Spain; playing an active role in the legislative process by promoting and monitoring the respect of the CRPD; reporting any violation of human rights; and being an active member of the European Disability Forum and the European Women's Lobby. The organization participated in a general discussion on women and girls with disabilities organised by the CRPD Committee, 17 April 2013, and contributed to the draft prepared by Spain for the Universal Periodic Review, 2014.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 57th and 59th Session of the Commission for the Status of Women (CSW), 4-15 March 2013, 9-20 March 2015, New York; as well as the 4th and 5th Conferences of States Parties to the CRPD, 2011 and 2012, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization provided an analytical study on the issue of violence against women and girls with disabilities in 2011. In 2012, it contributed to the public

consultation by the Special Rapporteur on violence against women on the study “State responsibility for eliminating violence against women”. Finally, it signed a cooperation agreement with the United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund (UNICEF) Spain to carry out joint actions in the field of children and disability in 2013.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CERMI supported MDG 1 by denouncing poverty and exclusion among people with disabilities. CERMI developed a strategy called SOS Disability and held a march in Madrid on December 2nd 2012, attended by 90,000 people. Toward MDG 2, it worked to promote inclusive education for girls and boys with disabilities in mainstream education. For MDG 3, CERMI promoted empowerment for women with disabilities at a national and European level, through the publication of a book ‘Mainstreaming gender in public disability policies’, 2012.

5. Commission africaine des promoteurs de la santé et des droits de l’homme

Special, 1995

Introduction

Commission africaine des promoteurs de la santé et des droits de l’homme (the Commission) devotes itself to poverty relief, environmental management and preservation and good governance.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization’s chief objective is to fight AIDS, malaria, and haemorrhagic fever caused by the Ebola virus.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Commission submitted oral statements to the Human Rights Council on several occasions, especially in connection with the following:

- Universal Periodic Review, Honduras, 17 March 2011, Geneva, Switzerland;
- General Debate: Working Group on Persons of African Descent, agenda item 10 Technical Assistance to the Republic of Guinea, 21 March 2012;
- Annual Report of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, 28 February 2013;
- Human rights situation and promotion and protection activities against torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment, 19 March 2013.

- Human Rights Commissioner on the human rights situation in Guinea, agenda item 6, Intergovernmental Working Group on Effective Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, April 2014.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In 2011-2014, representatives of the Commission took part in meetings organized by the World Health Organization (WHO) in the Republic of Guinea under the Guinéenne-Recherches-Solutions-Ebola (COGUIRESE) coalition, established to combat the Ebola virus epidemic. In addition, the Commission participated jointly with the African Union in the panel discussion “International Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade”, in March 2014. The organization was invited to participate in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, UNCTAD XIII, 17-25 April, 2012, and the Civil Society Forum on 26-27 November 2008, in Doha, Qatar.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Commission cooperated with the International Labour Organisation (ILO) during its 100th, 101st, and 102nd session.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No information was provided.

6. Community of Sant’Egidio

Special, 2003

Introduction

The Community of Sant’Egidio has 65,000 members spread in 73 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Sant’Egidio promotes peace in several regions of conflict and violence around the world. Its programmes improve the quality of life of categories at risk, both in rich and poor countries.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Sant’Egidio has supported United Nations peace interventions through interethnic, interreligious meetings and several grass root initiatives in areas of conflict, in particular in South Sudan, Burkina Faso, the Philippines and Mali.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization met the Deputy Secretary-General, Mr. Ian Eliasson, and the Secretary-General, H.E Ban Ki-Moon, to discuss Sant’Egidio’s initiatives regarding

human rights. A meeting about humanitarian responses was also held with the Under-Secretary-General and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mrs Valerie Amos.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization cooperated with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) at many levels and met the Special Envoy for Mali, the Syrian Arab Republic and for Libya. A meeting with Mary Robinson and Martin Kobler, respectively Special Envoy and Special Representative for the Great Lakes, was held in Rome, June 2014.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Sant'Egidio conducted many actions in support of the MDGs, including the following:

- support to emergency situations of hunger and malnutrition due to natural disasters: Malawi, Syrian Arab Republic, Haiti, and the Philippines;
- Project DREAM: treatment and prevention of more than 250,000 AIDS patients in Sub-Saharan Africa with particular attention to women and children;
- support and schooling of refugee children, especially in Syrian Arab Republic and Northern Uganda;
- local events in Burkina Faso, Mozambique, Pakistan, Ivory Coast and in the American universities: Princeton, New Jersey, and Fordham University, New York;
- yearly Congress of Ministers of Justice in Rome; and
- worldwide programme in defence of the rights of the aged through individual visits and monitoring of the home bound people.

7. Company of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul

Special, 2007

Introduction

The Company of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul is an international faith-based organization aiming to alleviate the sufferings of people living in poverty. The Daughters of Charity serve in 95 countries, of which 73 are from the developing world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization works to alleviate and eliminate all forms of extremes poverty through advocacy, witness, systemic change, and direct service.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Representatives have attended commissions and annual meetings of United Nations bodies. The organization co-sponsored a workshop called “From Objectification to Dignity and Strategies for Empowerment” during the 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), 10-21 March 2014, New York.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization is an active member of several NGO Committees: NGO Committee on Social Development, NGO Committee on Migration, NGO Committee on Financing for Development, NGO Committee on Working Group on Girls, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, and the NGO Committee to Stop Trafficking in Persons.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Company of the Daughters of Charity has been active and cooperative with United Nations agencies and bodies, by serving for example on the Committee for Financing for Development and offering workshops and side events for United Nations Commissions. It has also been active in setting up the post-2015 development goals.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization supports the following MDGs:

- MDG 1: all members promote this goal wherever they are in ministry;
- MDG 2: the Company financially contributes to education in Egypt, Paraguay, Haiti and Nigeria;
- MDG 3: microfinancing projects to empower women were led in Kenya and Tanzania;
- MDGs 4, 5 and 6: nutrition and medical programmes were launched in Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Mozambique; and
- MDG 7: the organization’s membership has contributed financially to disaster relief and developed educational programmes to raise awareness about the need for sustainable development.

8. Concern for Environmental Development and Research

Special, 2011

Introduction

Concern for Environmental Development and Research (CEDAR) is a grass-roots project implementation organization that also performs research on some specific issues, and policy advocacy in Bangladesh.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CEDAR's main objectives are poverty reduction, women empowerment, HIV/AIDS prevention, basic education for urban working children, elimination of child labour, maternal child health and family planning, safe drinking water and hygienic sanitation, primary health care and skill development training.

Significant changes in the organization

CEDAR has made some amendments to its constitution on 5 December 2014.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- CEDAR implemented the Public Expenditure Tracking Survey (PETS) on the programmes being implemented in Bangladesh in relation to HIV/AIDS, prevention, and control activities which was jointly assisted by The World Bank and Results for Development (R4D).
- It observed the World Environment Day and the World AIDS Day every year, in line with national programmes, and in accordance with the programmes outlined by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) in Bangladesh.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the informal interactive hearings with NGOs, civil society organizations, and the private sector, held on 15 July 2013 in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

CEDAR is a member organization of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and takes part in its programmes in Bangladesh.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization conducted many programmes that support the MDGs:

- MDGs 1 and 3: "Poverty Reduction through Micro-credit Operation and Micro Enterprise Development for the underprivileged community at rural and sub-urban areas" benefited more than 10,000 people;
- MDGs 2 and 3: "Basic Education for hard to reach urban working children" and the Vulnerable Group Development (VGD) Programme have provided non formal education and skill development training to over 8,000 learners; and
- MDGs 2 and 5: "Enhancing Resources and Increasing Capacities of Poor Households towards Elimination of their Poverty" provided health, nutrition and education support service to 36,000 inhabitants in 35 service centres.

9. Concern Worldwide US

Special, 2007

Introduction

Concern Worldwide US (Concern) is the United States of America affiliate of Concern Worldwide, and represents the network at the United Nations. Concern Worldwide is active in 27 countries throughout Africa, Asia and the Caribbean.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization aims to help people living in extreme poverty to achieve major improvements in their lives and exercise their fundamental rights.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2013, Concern entered Syrian Arab Republic to respond to the refugee crisis.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

During the reporting period, Concern Worldwide actively participated in the South Sudan Working Group and the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Working Group. It was a partner organization of the Building a Better Response Programme, which is closely linked to the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). It also joined many Humanitarian Country Teams to help coordinate the relevant sectors at the global and country level.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- the United Nations High-level Meeting on Nutrition, 15 September 2011, New York;
- the bi-weekly OCHA meetings on South Sudan, Sudan, and Somalia, 2013;
- the Inter-Agency Standing Committee Meeting, 29-30 October 2014, Geneva, Switzerland; and
- the United Nations Operation Peer Review of South Sudan, 22-29 June 2014, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization distributed 441.3 million tons of food to 43,914 beneficiaries in South Sudan with the World Food Programme (WFP). It lobbied in Afghanistan with the Shelter Cluster and OCHA to respond to the larger flood and landslide. Further, Concern is an implementing partner of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) for emergency responses. It also works closely in the Democratic Republic of Korea with UNICEF, WFP, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Concern contributed to the MDGs through the following activities:

- MDG 1: it trained farmers on conservation agriculture and helped ensure food security, with over 1.3 million people directly reached in 2014;
- MDG 2: it improved access to education in conflict settings, capacity building trainings to teachers, and education by radio in Ebola affected areas, with over 618,000 children and parents directly helped in 2014;
- MDG 3: it led gender sensitisation activities, and literacy course and trainings, including courses focused on women on small business management;
- MDGs 4 and 5: it implemented health programmes that directly benefited more than 2.7 million people;
- MDG 6: it helped prevent HIV/AIDS and malaria, through distribution of insecticide-treated bed nets, health education, and trainings that directly benefited 57,000 people; and
- MDG 7: it constructed latrines and hand washing facilities, and drilled boreholes.

10. Confederación Latinoamericana de Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito

General, 1995

Introduction

Confederación Latinoamericana de Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito (COLAC) is an auxiliary body of a cooperative founded in 1970. It has 26 members in 18 countries in South and Central America and the United States of America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

COLAC's mission is to contribute to the integral development of the cooperative system in Latin America, through a structure of services and standardized methodologies; and represent, finance and technically assist the cooperative movement of credit unions.

Significant changes in the organization

COLAC made some amendments to its by-laws.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

COLAC has contributed to the work of the United Nations by strengthening enterprises that generate employment and income and by creating productive units that contribute to food security.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

COLAC has contributed to reach the MDGs by implementing programmes in the following areas:

- Financing: it has led microfinance projects with micro enterprises in urban and rural areas, through strategic partnerships with Instituto de Crédito Oficial, Agencia Española de Cooperación para el Desarrollo. It also established a financial centre for entrepreneurs in Panama to promote the development of microfinance;
- Integration: COLAC has strongly strengthened the international network for study and discussion Proxfin. This structure brings together about thirty finance institutions, which have combined their financial performance and social impact, and have succeeded in improving the living conditions of nine million families around the world; and
- Education and training: COLAC is a leader in Latin America in the organization of events that train leaders of economic and financial companies with high social sense.

11. Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro**Special, 1999****Introduction**

As the largest trade union organization in Italy, with more than 5,800,000 members, Confederazione Generale Italiana Del Lavoro (CGIL) was the main actor in the industrial relations system in Italy between 2011 and 2014.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CGIL is based on a programmatic, multi-ethnic, consensual and democratic nature. It promotes the freedom of association and the collective protection of workers, subcontracted, unemployed or first time job seekers, pensioners and the elderly.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CGIL has participated in preparatory and organizational events of United Nations conferences and meetings, contributing to build global consensus on policies aimed at promoting social progress and justice. CGIL has attended many United Nations related activities and conferences.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- 55th, 56th, 57th, and 58th Session of the Commission on the status of Women (CSW), 22 February-4 March 2011, 27 February-9 March 2012, 4-15 March 2013, 10-21 March 2014, New York;
- 100th, 101st, 102nd and 103rd Session of the International Labour Conference of the International Labour Organization (ILO), 2011-2014, Geneva, Switzerland;
- United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), 20-22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;
- International Migration and Development High-level Dialogue, 2013, New York; and
- Lima Climate Change Conference, Lima, Peru, 1-4 December 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization cooperates on a regular basis with the ILO. CGIL also works on global specific issues with the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), among others.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CGIL has undertaken a number of initiatives related to all the MDGs. The MDGs were largely supported in all the international relevant venues such as the social forums preceding the G20, G7, World Bank, and International Monetary Fund meetings. More recently, CGIL largely participated in the definition of the post-2015 agenda and the Finance for Development process through an intense debate aimed at building a strong consensus amongst the civil society worldwide.

12. Congregations of St. Joseph

General, 1999

Introduction

Congregations of St. Joseph is an organization of 11,000 women in 50 countries worldwide, dedicated to the promotion of healthy societies.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization seeks the development of people through education, healthcare, housing and social welfare, with a focus on sustainable development and women's rights.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

During the reporting period, the organization implemented educational programmes in Africa, Asia and South America on the United Nations Human Rights and Sustainable Development Agenda. It facilitated programmes in Argentina, Brazil and Peru on the right to water and sanitation, human trafficking and food security. It held a workshop in 2014 on the United Nations and Universal Periodic Review with members from 14 countries and submitted a statement to the President of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) on “Systemic Change for Sustainable Development”.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- 49th, 50th, 51st, and 52nd Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD), 9-18 February 2011, 1-10 February 2012, 6-15 February 2013, 11-21 February 2014, New York; it submitted a statement at CSocD 49;
- 55th, 56th, 57th, and 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), 22 February-4 March 2011, 27 February-9 March 2012, 4-15 March 2013, 10-21 March 2014; it signed joint statement on Item 3(a) (i) of the provisional agenda at CSW 55, and co-sponsored a side event at CSW 56;
- 10th, 12th and 13th Session of Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, 16-27 May 2011, 20-31 May 2013, 12-23 May 2014, New York;
- United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), 13-22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; it submitted a statement;
- 45th Session of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD), New York, 23-27 April 2012.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization participated in the Regional Consultation on the Universal Periodic Review with the National NGO Forum of India.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Congregations of St. Joseph led the following activities in support of the MDGs:

- MDG 1: it provided food and shelter to 49,400 migrants and homeless and 43,300 orphans, prisoners and elderly worldwide;
- MDG 2: it provided education to 1,462,000 children;
- MDG 3: it taught life skills to 35,300 girls and job skills to 17,450 women;
- MDGs 4 and 5: it provided immunization and pre/post-natal care to 34,400 mothers and children;
- MDG 6: it conducted outreach activities to HIV infected persons and malaria treatment/awareness programmes to 115,300 people; and
- MDG 7: it planted 28,100 trees and provided environmental awareness training to 33,700 people.

13. Conscience and Peace Tax International

Special, 1999

Introduction

Conscience and Peace Tax International (CPTI) is a global organization which works for the recognition of the right of conscientious objection to taxation which funds military expenditure.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CPTI aims to link the national movements seeking the recognition of the right of conscientious objection to paying taxes for armaments, war preparation and war conduct; facilitate their access to international organizations; and support all other forms of conscientious objection to military service, militarism and war.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CPTI collaborated with NGOs to submit an “Amicus brief” to the European Court of Human Rights for the case of Bayatyan v Armenia, 7 July 2011. The objective was to highlight the discrepancy between the Court’s existing jurisprudence on conscientious objection to military service and that of the United Nations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- 16th, 17th, and 18th Session of the Human Rights Council, 2011;
- 8th Session of the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, February 2012, Geneva, Switzerland; and
- 105th, 106th, 107th and 108th Session of the Human Rights Committee, 2011 - 2014, New York and Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

During the reviewing period, CPTI, in conjunction with the International Fellowship of Reconciliation, submitted statements to the Human Rights Committee regarding 59 reporting States. Similarly since 2012, CPTI has participated in the Universal Periodic Review process of the Human Rights Council, by submitting “stakeholder information” on 28 states.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CPTI favours the reallocation of funds from military purposes to development and peacebuilding. However, no CPTI activities explicitly addressed the MDGs.

14. Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations

Special, 1947

Introduction

The Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations (CBJO) has representation in more than 50 countries through three constituent organizations: B'nai B'rith International, the Board of Deputies of British Jews, and the South African Jewish Board of Deputies.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CBJO is primarily concerned with humanitarian and human rights issues. It advances its goals through advocacy and programming of events at the United Nations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CBJO commemorates the Holocaust every year on 27 January, for which member organizations organise side events, focusing on the experiences of Holocaust survivors and their children and grandchildren, and the rescue of Jews in Albania during the Holocaust. The organization also engages in advocacy activities during the March session of the Human Rights Council, in Geneva, Switzerland, and the General Debate segment of the General Assembly in New York, in September.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

During the reporting period, representatives attended:

- the Holocaust and United Nations Outreach Programme's Annual Holocaust Commemoration, 27 January, New York;
- the General Assembly High-level Meeting on the "Tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action", 22 September 2011, New York;
- the Department of Public Information (DPI)/NGO Conference "Sustainable Societies; Responsive Citizens", 3-5 September 2011, New York; and
- Sessions held by the Human Rights Council, Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

One of the CBJO member organization works with DPI's Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, to strengthen the annual 27 January commemoration ceremony at the General Assembly. The organization also works closely with the United Nations during its Leadership Advocacy Days, which feature high-level speakers from within the United Nations.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CBJO activities for the reporting period address mainly MDG 1, 4, 5 and 6, as it is active in humanitarian disaster relief throughout the world. The organization raised money and distributed aid in the aftermath of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan in 2011, the typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines in 2013, and the Ebola outbreak in Western Africa in 2014. Additionally, the organization has brought millions of dollars' worth of medicine and supplies to Latin America through the Communities in Crisis programme. This programme helped citizens from poor communities, suffering from disastrous economic conditions.

15. Coordination immigrés du sud du monde**Special, 1999****Introduction**

Coordination immigrés du sud du monde is an association of immigrants from Africa, Asia and Latin America who are living in Italy. Its members strive to engage positively in actions to oppose all discriminatory policies and all acts and trends that exacerbate exclusion and institutional, racial and social discrimination.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The objectives pursued by the organization are: full recognition of the civic, political, and sociocultural rights of immigrants from the South; and the defence and promotion of the human rights of migrants, and immigrants in particular.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In 2011-2014, the organization devoted itself in particular to arranging consultations for refugees and asylum-seekers, primarily in order to secure humanitarian protection for immigrants from Libya. It also provided information of current political turmoil in the Middle East and in Africa, especially Nigeria, where the Boko Haram sect has exacerbated the pressing issue of migration to Italy.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives of the organization attended the following meetings:

- 9th and 10th human rights assemblies, 10 October 2011 and 1 October 2012, in Geneva, Switzerland;
- 16th, 19th, and 22nd sessions of the Human Rights Council, 25 March 2011, 27 February 2012, 26 February 2013, in Geneva, Switzerland; and
- Organizational session of the Human Right Council on female genital mutilation, the safety of journalists, prevention of early marriages and technical cooperation for persons with disabilities, 9-27 June 2014, in Geneva, Switzerland; and
- The annual conference organized by the United Nations on the Rwandan genocide, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No information was provided.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No information was provided.
