



# International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

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**Consideration of reports, comments and information**

**submitted by States parties under article 9 of the Convention**

### List of themes in relation to the combined nineteenth to twenty-first periodic reports of Cameroon (CERD/C/CMR/19-21)

#### Note by the Country Rapporteur

The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination decided at its seventy-sixth session (A/65/18, para. 85) that the Country Rapporteur would send to the State party concerned a short list of themes with a view to guiding and focusing the dialogue between the State party's delegation and the Committee during the consideration of the State party's report. This document contains a list of such themes. This is not an exhaustive list; other issues may also be raised in the course of the dialogue. No written replies are required.

#### 1. Legal and institutional framework, policies and programmes to ensure the implementation of the Convention (arts. 1, 2, 4 and 6)

- (a) Legislative provision defining and condemning racial discrimination, in keeping with the provisions of articles 1 and 2;
- (b) Criminalization of racial discrimination, in keeping with the provisions of article 4;
- (c) Progress on the establishment of institutions (CERD/C/CMR/CO/15-18, para. 10, and CERD/C/CMR/19-21, paras. 189 and 190);
- (d) Findings of the national survey of indigenous peoples in Cameroon and progress on the adoption of a law on the rights of indigenous peoples (CERD/C/CMR/CO/15-18, para. 15);
- (e) Legislation regarding indigenous peoples' right to land and the implementation thereof.

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**2. Situation of indigenous populations (arts. 1 to 7)**

- (a) Measures taken to protect indigenous populations from discrimination and marginalization (A/HRC/WG.6/16/CMR/3, para. 104);
- (b) Additional measures taken to ensure that all indigenous persons are registered, especially children;
- (c) Specific measures to adapt the school system to indigenous culture;
- (d) Effective participation of indigenous communities in political and public life.

**3. Economic, social and cultural rights of minority ethnic groups and other vulnerable groups (art. 5)**

- (a) Impact of the measures taken to combat discrimination in education and access to health-care services by persons belonging to minorities (CERD/C/CMR/CO/15-18, paras. 16 (b) and (c));
- (b) Specific measures taken for the benefit of indigenous women and women belonging to minority groups.

**4. Situation of foreign nationals, especially migrants, refugees and asylum seekers (arts. 5 and 6)**

- (a) Legislative progress achieved regarding these categories of people;
- (b) Data on integration and non-discrimination in the treatment of foreign nationals (migrants and refugees); effective enjoyment of their social and economic rights, including access to employment.

**5. Awareness-raising to combat prejudices and promote understanding (art. 7)**

- (a) Impact on law enforcement personnel of measures to raise their awareness of human rights, especially the Convention;
  - (b) Public awareness-raising.
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