QUESTIONNARIE


Ad II

Based on the report of the independent expert, what would be the added value of guiding principles on human rights and extreme poverty?

The added value of the guiding principles on human rights and extreme poverty would be their contribution to the reporting process in the United Nations Human Rights Monitoring Mechanisms. The principles must be considered in relationship with other instruments in the UN system already in place to address the eradication of poverty.

Ad III

Considering that the majority of those living in extreme poverty are children. Should the guiding principles have a dedicated section on this specific group or should this issue be cutting across the text?

Given the fact that child poverty is largely the result of poverty from one generation to another, we agree to emphasis the status of Children Living in Poverty. We believe that for the complexity of poverty and child poverty in general a co-ordinate approach is crucial, therefore, coordinated action of all policies that have an impact on the provision of welfare and the fight against child poverty (social policy especially employment policy, education policy and housing policy). In this regard, to emphasize in particular: ensuring equal opportunities for all, especially in the form of access to quality services (child care, health care and others), appropriate education policies and specific measures for vulnerable groups.

Again the section must be considered in relation to other UN system already in place.

Ad IV

Would you identify other underlying and reinforcing deprivations and obstacles faced by persons in extreme poverty, in addition to the ones included in this section of the report?

NO

Ad V

Are there any important aspects or issues missing in the unnoted outline for guiding principles proposed in this section of the report?

The principle of Cultural Rights

Again we highlight the importance of specific measures for vulnerable groups. Vulnerable groups of the population facing a higher degree of risk of social exclusion and/or poverty
include: people with very low income, homeless persons, victims of violence, children and elderly, people with disabilities, immigrants and other group of people.