

Annex III

Biographical data form of candidates to human rights treaty bodies

Name and first name: Thornberry, Patrick

Date and place of birth: 4.12.1944, Middlesbrough, UK

Working languages: English, Italian; ability to work with documentation in French and Spanish

Current position/function:

Professor of International Law, Keele University, UK

Consultant Tutor, International Human Rights Law, University of Oxford

Visiting Fellow, Kellogg College, Oxford

Main professional activities:

Various commissions for the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities, 1994 to 1998 in Hungary, Romania, Latvia, Slovakia, and the Ukraine, including leadership of a team of experts with regard to the Hungarian minority in Slovakia and the Slovak minority in Hungary

Member of the International Council of the Minority Rights Group, 1994-2002

Chairman of Minority Rights Group, 1999-2002

Member of the Advisory Council of the European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI), Flensburg, Germany

Various expert commissions for the Council of Europe, including a study of the relationship between territorial autonomy and minority rights, legal assessment of State responsibilities under the Charter for Regional or Minority Languages; invited as Conference rapporteur on the fifth anniversary of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, Strasbourg 2003

Member, Editorial Board, International Journal on Minority and Group Rights

Educational background:

LLB, University of London, 1968

LLM University of Keele, 1976

PhD University of Keele, 1986

Barrister, Lincoln's Inn, 1973

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) from 2001; Country Rapporteur for Cyprus, Croatia, New Zealand, Russian Federation, St Vincent and The Grenadines, Brazil, Argentina and Barbados Elected Rapporteur of the Committee as a whole, 2002-2004/2004-2006

Recent visits as expert in personal capacity on race discrimination and minority rights issues to, inter alios, Brazil, Japan, Nepal and Turkey

Many (over 100) papers on race, indigenous and minority questions as an aspect of continuing engagement with these issues, including most recently:

'Caste-based Discrimination under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination', *Irish Centre for Human Rights*, Galway, June 2003

'On Implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination', for the seminar *Tutti diversi, tutti uguali*, inaugurating the *Ufficio nazionale contro le discriminazioni razziali*, Rome, November 2004

'On the Many forms of Racial Discrimination: A Perspective from CERD', Public Lecture, *Institute of Commonwealth Studies*, University of London, December 2004

'On the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination', Annual Human Rights Lecture, *Nottingham University*, February 2005

'Racial Discrimination and Indigenous Peoples', Public Lecture at the International Labour Organization, March 2005

List of most recent publications in the field:

The following is a short selection from over 80 published pieces on international law and human rights topics. Work in progress includes a legal commentary on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination for Oxford University Press for publication in 2007:

Indigenous Peoples and Human Rights, (484 pp, Manchester University Press, 2002)

Minority Rights in Europe: A Review of the Work and Standards of the Council of Europe (with M. A. Martin Estebanez) (682pp, Council of Europe Publishing, 2004)

'Minority and Indigenous Rights at "the End of History"', *2 Ethnicities* No. 4 (2002), pp. 515-37

'The Framework Convention on National Minorities: A Provisional Appraisal and a Memory of the Baltic States', *2 Baltic Yearbook of International Law* (2002), pp. 127-57

'Human Rights and the Shaping of Loyalties', in M. Waller and A. Linklater (eds.), *Political Loyalty and the Nation-State* (Routledge, 2003), pp. 91-104

'Race, Descent and Caste under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination', in K. Nakano, M. J. Yutzis and R. Onoyama (eds.), *Descent-Based Discrimination* (IMADR, 2004), pp. 119-37

'The Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, Indigenous Peoples and Caste/Descent-based Discrimination', in J. Castellino and N. Walsh (eds.), *International Law and Indigenous Peoples* (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2005), pp. 17-52

Chapters on education rights, and one on language rights with F. de Varennes, in M. Weller (ed.), *The Rights of Minorities: A commentary on the European Framework*

Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (Oxford University Press, 2005), pp. 365-428

NB: Professor Thornberry was honoured in 2004 with a Festschrift: N. Ghanea and A. Xanthaki (eds.), *Minorities, Peoples and Self-Determination - Essays in Honour of Patrick Thornberry* (Martinus Nijhoff, 2005)