

National Action Plan for Human Rights

Brazil

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5. PROPOSALS FOR GOVERNMENTAL ACTION

Public policies for protection and promotion of Human Rights in Brazil:

Protection for the right to equal treatment before law

Human Rights, Rights of All:

Short Term

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*To train community leaders on general principles of law and of the Constitution, in order to foster the exercise of defence of human rights.

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Children and Teen-agers:

Short Term

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* To sponsor the production and publication of documents contributing to the divulgation and application of the Statute of Children and Teen-agers.

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* To promote, in partnership with civil society, educational campaigns linked to risk situations experienced by children and teen-agers (child and juvenile prostitution, labour exploitation, drug use and addiction), aiming at mobilising public opinion in order to sediment a new cultural pattern favourable to the rights of children and teen-agers

Medium Term

*To invest in the policy of training and qualification of professionals and persons in charge of the material implementation of the policy of rights of

childhood and adolescence.

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Indigenous People:

Short Term

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* To promote the divulgation of information on Indigenous and their rights, primarily in the media and at schools, as a means of eliminating lack of information, which is one of the causes of discrimination and violence against Indians and their cultures.

Protection to the Right of the Person:

Short Term

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*Perfecting of criteria for selection, admission and qualification of police officers in order to emphasise the importance of respect for human rights, with the inclusion of courses on human rights in police academies and reform of curricula of training and recycling

* Implementation of the Protocol of Intentions signed by the Ministry of Justice and Amnesty International to provide courses on human rights for the federal States Polices.

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Education and citizenry. The Basis for a Culture of Human Rights :

Short Term

*To organise a permanent national campaign to broaden the understanding of Brazilian society of the value and untouchable character of human life.

* Education and prevention in order to increase the level of consciousness of the Brazilian community as to the issue of HIV/AIDS, as well as aiming at the development of behavioural norms preventing the transmission of the virus amid the HIV/AIDS risk populations.

* To support the surge and development of cultural programmes, of teaching and research oriented toward education on human rights.

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Medium Term

* To stimulate the creation of channels of direct access for the population to informations and means of protection of human rights, such as special telephone lines and other widely propagated mechanisms, among which radio and television programmes.

Medium Term

*To grant the population access to channels and instruments of education in human rights, emphasising full and exempt information on the means of defence and protection of the dignity and integrity of persons.

International actions for the protection and promotion of Human Rights:

Short Term

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*To promote the international exchange of experiences on the field of education and training of police forces aiming at better preparing them for the reduction of violations of human rights during the struggle against criminality and violence.

Medium Term

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* To promote the propagation, via vehicles of social communication, of the rights of women and of the documents signed by the Brazilian Government, such as the Convention for the Elimination of all Forms of Violence Against Women, of 1979; Plan of Action of Cairo, of 1994; Plan of Action of Beijing, of 1995; Plan of Action of the World Conference on Human Rights, of 1993; Declaration on the Elimination of Violence Against Women, of 1993; Interamerican Convention for Preventing, Punishing and Eradicating Violence Against Women, of 1994.

* To promote the propagation, via vehicles of social communication, of the rights of blacks and of the documents signed by the Brazilian Government, such as the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and Conventions 29, 105 and 111 of the International Labour Organisation, which deal with racial discrimination on the labour market.

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Medium Term

* Creation of a hemispheric system of divulgation of the principles and actions of protection of citizenry and of human rights.

[...]