

## Annex 2

### **INTERNATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Geneva 21 to 23 April 2008**

#### **Report and Recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Accreditation**

### **3.4 Malaysia: National Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)**

Recommendation: The Sub-Committee informs the Commission of its intention to recommend to the ICC status B, and gives the Commission the opportunity to provide, in writing, within one year of such notice, the documentary evidence deemed necessary to establish its continued conformity with the Paris Principles. The Commission retains its “A” status during this period.

The Sub-Committee notes the following:

- 1) The independence of the Commission needs to be strengthened by the provision of clear and transparent appointment and dismissal process in the founding legal documents, more in line with the Paris Principles. The Sub-Committee refers to General Observation “Selection and appointment of the governing body”.
- 2) With regard to the appointment, the Sub-Committee notes the short term of office of the members of the commission (two years). It refers to General Observation “Guarantee of tenure for members of governing bodies”.
- 3) It further refers to General Observation “Ensuring pluralism” to highlight the importance of ensuring the representation of different segments of society and their involvement in suggesting or recommending candidates to the governing body of the Commission.
- 4) The Sub-Committee refers to General Observation “Interaction with the International Human Rights System”.