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1. Action aides aux familles démunies

Special, 2002

Introduction

Accredited to the United Nations since 2002, *Action aides aux familles démunies* is an NGO seeking to help families and defend women and children.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main aim of the organization is to contribute to the social and professional development of disadvantaged groups in rural and urban areas by endeavouring to:

- Promote the rights of women and train women so that they may become development actors in Mali and throughout the world;
- Eradicate poverty in all its forms and eliminate hunger by creating small enterprises generating income;
- Combat poverty among women through literacy, education and the access of girls to learning;
- Combat maternal and infant mortality;
- Sensitize young persons to the prevention of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmissible diseases (STDs);
- Protect the environment by raising women's and young persons' awareness of the damage caused by plastic waste.

Significant changes in the organization

Action aides aux familles démunies is affiliated with a network of civil society organizations working on migration and development.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In the last two years, the organization submitted to the following United Nations events the written statements indicated:

- Fifty-first session of the Commission for Social Development (10 February and 20 December 2012 and 6-13 February 2013): Statement on promoting people's empowerment in the areas of poverty eradication, social integration, full employment and decent work for all;
- Fifty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women (4-15 March 2013): Statement entitled "Women in the year 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century".

Moreover, the organization gave an interview to the United Nations Radio on the crisis in the north of Mali, where women and girls have been raped and tortured under the sharia.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Action aides aux familles démunies participated in United Nations meetings, forums, conferences and summits, during which it organized side events.

The first event took place on 13 September 2010. The speakers included the head of the NGO service, Department of Economic and Social Affairs of Mali, and representatives of the country's Permanent Mission to the United Nations, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA);

The second event was organized during the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, on 19 March 2014, in the presence of the Minister for the Promotion of Women of Mali. The Global Network attended the General Assembly high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS (New York, 8-10 June 2011), where it sent a delegation that interacted with Member States and the non-governmental organization (NGO) sector in unofficial side meetings. Additionally, it provided a panellist for the panel on human rights and key populations. It also participated in the four years covered by the present report as an observer in the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No information has been provided.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization cooperated with the Government in evaluating the activities already undertaken.

2. Association internationale des droits de l'enfant en difficulté et dans la souffrance

Special, 2010

Introduction

Association internationale des droits de l'enfant en difficulté et dans la souffrance is based in Montreal, Canada, and works for the poor, children in particular. Its activities are specifically carried out in poor and remote villages (currently in Cambodia and the Lao People's Democratic Republic). The association donates infrastructure facilities that make the daily life of poor population groups easier.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association works directly on the ground, providing an acceptable minimum income to enable the poor to live in dignity and the children to have a less precarious future. The association develops activities in the areas of food, education and health.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The association disseminated, through the social media, information on the International Day for the Elimination of Poverty, held on 17 October 2013.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No information has been provided.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No information has been provided.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The association supported MDGs 1 ("Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger") and 4 ("Reduce the under-five mortality rate"). It built schools in poor villages in order to ensure primary education for all, and artesian wells. It set in motion ground-breaking efforts to meet the needs of the poorest in Cambodia and the Lao People's Democratic Republic, building 33 water wells in the former and three schools and three clinics in the latter.

3. Association pour la formation et l'insertion sociale de l'adolescent et de la femme**Special, 2002****Introduction**

Association pour la formation et l'insertion sociale de l'adolescent et de la femme undertakes action for the benefit of young persons and women in Cameroon.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association aims to educate, sensitize and train young persons and women to enable them to participate fully in the process of sustainable development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The association celebrated United Nations Day every year of the period considered by organizing, inter alia, seminars, sport and trade activities, fairs, exhibitions and parades.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The association was invited by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) to participate in the International Conference on Innovation and Creativity of Women in Science and Business for Economic Development, held in Warsaw on 25-26 March 2010.

Invited by the International Trade Centre (ITC), Geneva, the association attended in Libreville, on 5-10 July 2010, a training workshop under a programme for enhancing women's access to international trade

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The association maintains weekly email contact with United Nations bodies and makes contributions on various matters, inter alia United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) activities.

The association implements initiatives in cooperation with WIPO, UNFPA, UNCTAD and ITC.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The association undertook the following initiatives:

MDG 1: *Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger*. The association encouraged women to chip in to purchase a vegetables and fish drier; and on 15 June 2011 held in Yaounde a seminar on microprojects organization;

MDG 2: *Achieve universal primary education*. In 2012 and 2013, the members of the association sponsored a nursery school in Bayangam, Cameroon, purchasing teaching material and desks;

MDG 3: *Promote gender equality and empower women*. The association promotes capacity-building for women as part of empowerment;

MDG 4: *Reduce the under-five mortality rate*. With the Cameroon Paediatric Association, the association organized at Douala, Cameroon, on 24 June 2012 a presentation on malaria in children;

MDG 5: *Improve maternal health*. The association participated in a conference on breast-feeding organized at the New Bell district hospital, Douala, on 23 October 2013, and in a workshop on informing medical personnel of ways of reducing maternal death, in Douala, on 12 July;

MDG 6: *Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases*. The association funded the maintenance of the well and the drinking-water production equipment of the Bayangam technical high school.

4. Centre Europe-tiers monde

General, 1998

Introduction

Centre Europe-tiers monde was founded in 1970 within Association du foyer John Knox and became independent on 17 June 1975. It is an international NGO affiliated to no other NGO in consultative status. The Centre has an extensive network of partners throughout the world and seeks to promote discussion on economic, social, cultural, civil and political development in the North and in the South.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Centre aims at highlighting international, regional and national mechanisms that support or impede economic, social or other development in the North and in the South; and to relay the demands of the peoples of the South that fight for their rights, their dignity and better living and working conditions.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Centre regularly plays an active role in conferences, seminars and symposia, organized by itself or by civil society organizations or institutions, in order to promote international law on human rights and the Charter of the United Nations. Most of its publications are related to these topics and include inter alia, the following titles: "Right to non-discrimination" (*Le droit à la non-discrimination, 2011*), "Intellectual property against biodiversity? The geopolitics of biological diversity" (*La propriété intellectuelle contre la biodiversité? Géopolitique de la diversité biologique, 2011*) and "On respect for the rights of all migrant workers" (*Pour le respect des droits de toutes e tous les travailleurs migrants, 2011*). The Centre also organizes training in the area of economic, social and cultural rights.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Centre participated in the following meetings organized by the United Nations in the period considered:

- Thirteenth, fourteenth and twenty-first to twenty-fourth sessions of the Human Rights Council, held in Geneva;
- Seventh, eighth and fourteenth to sixteenth sessions of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review;
- Third to sixth sessions of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- First session of the intergovernmental working group to draft a United Nations declaration on the rights of peasants;
- Forty-fourth and fiftieth sessions of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

- Fifty-third session of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;
- Eighty-third session of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
- Thirteenth session of UNCTAD (Doha, 21-26 April 2012).

In addition, the Centre submitted 23 written or oral statements on, inter alia, the right to water, the rights of peasants, transnational corporation activities undermining human rights, the rights of indigenous peoples and the right to development. The Centre supported approximately 12 delegations of social movements in dealing with the United Nations; and initiated six trainees in United Nations human rights mechanisms

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Centre cooperates regularly with the human rights institutions and bodies of the United Nations. For instance, representatives of the Centre were invited to participate as experts in workshops organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) on 5 April and 18 October 2013 on, respectively, the incidence of unilateral coercive measures on human rights and the promotion of an equitable and democratic international order. The Centre also contributed actively to the consultations held in 2011 and 2012 by the Independent Expert appointed by the Human Rights Council to examine the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

In 2012, the Centre produced two publications (in French, Spanish and English) related to the MDGs and in particular, respectively, to poverty reduction and human rights defence, and to the right to social security.

5. Centre féminin pour la promotion du développement

Special, 2012

Introduction

Centre féminin pour la promotion du développement was founded in 1994 to work on improving the situation of women and young persons of either gender, subsequent to the "United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, 1976-1985" and the World Conference to review and appraise the achievements of that decade, held in Nairobi in 1985.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Centre's specific missions include: promotion of active involvement of women and young persons in development processes; through training and integration, strengthening of women's entrepreneurship as an effective means of economic development; contribution to the promotion, popularization and development of information and communication technologies (ICTs) as a

development and poverty-reduction tool; promotion of inclusive multi-actor partnerships; and building of the technical, methodological, organizational and operational capacities of local actors from a sustainable economic development perspective.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In order to reduce the digital divide between genders, the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), at its Plenipotentiary Conference, held at Guadalajara, Mexico, in October 2010, adopted resolution 70 (Rev. Guadalajara 2010), entitled "Gender mainstreaming in ITU and promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women through information and communication technologies". The Union's member States undertook to implement that resolution with a view to international mobilization for the actual integration of women and girls into data processing.

As part of the implementation of the above resolution, in 2012 the Centre organized the first celebration of the International Girls in ICT Day in Cameroon.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Centre participated in the African Internet Governance Forum (AfIGF), held in Nairobi.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Centre cooperates with ITU and UN Women.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Contributing to the provision of training and information for women and young girls in the ICT sector is fully in line with MDG 3 (promoting gender equality and empowering women).

6. Collectif sénégalais des Africaines pour la promotion de l'éducation relative à l'environnement

Special, 1998

Introduction

Collectif sénégalais des Africaines pour la promotion de l'éducation relative à l'environnement is a non-profit organization consisting primarily of women interested in environmental education and training in promoting sustainable development. The organization's main geographic area of activity is Senegal and, more broadly, West Africa. The organization is, inter alia, a member of the Women Major Group of the Commission on Sustainable Development of the Economic and Social Council, the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals and the network of French-speaking experts on gender and climate change.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of the organization includes the clear identification of environmental priorities in Africa; the promotion of effective involvement of African population groups, children particular, in raising the human development index; and the preparation of the continent's youth for active solidarity and the battle for a more just and equitable world.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization:

- Participated in the International Forum of National NGOs, 2010;
- Participated in the preparation of alternative reports to the fifty-fourth and fifty-seventh sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women;
- Contributed to the activities of the Commission on Sustainable Development, as a member of the Women Major Group;
- Contributed to the report of Senegal to the Human Rights Council in the framework of the Universal Periodic Review;
- Submitted observations on gender and equity issues to the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth sessions of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the:

- Fifty-fourth and fifty-seventh sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women;
- Seventeenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (Durban, South Africa, 2011);
- Preparatory meetings of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, which were held in New York (meetings of the Commission on Sustainable Development and the Preparatory Committee);
- Discussions of the Permanent Forum on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (New York, 2012);
- Discussions of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights at Banjul.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The cooperation in question took the following forms:

- Participation, financed by the United Nations, in the fifty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women;

- Participation in the Working Group on Women, Peace and Security in West Africa, coordinated by the Office of the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for West Africa;
- Participation, financed by the Office of the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for West Africa, in the discussions of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights at Banjul.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization carried out the following initiatives:

- Annual celebration of the World Environment Day with pupils and environmental protection groups (MDG 7);
- In 2012, celebration of the International Women's Day at the Higher Education Institute, on the themes of women's empowerment and climate change (MDGs 3 and 7);
- Preparation of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development and publication of a brochure with contributions (MDG 7);
- Participation in the committee of the Gaspard Kamara health centre in Dakar (MDGs 4, 5 and 6);
- Training in human rights education (MDG 3).

7. Comité national d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme

Special, 1998

Introduction

Comité national d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme is an NGO founded on 13 January 1992 as a youth and popular-education movement..

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of the Committee is to contribute to compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women for the purpose of defending the right of all children to life, well-being, information and education, and the women's right to full and complete integration into the development process through their increased productivity and income, improved health, and ongoing information and education. The organization's mission is to undertake initiatives contributing to the implementation and monitoring of the above two conventions.

Significant changes in the organization

In September 2013, as a result of the death Princess Odette Happy, founding president, the organization was obliged to change its constitution.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization:

- Celebrates the International Youth Day, the International Women's Day, Day of the African Child and Human Rights Day;
- On 19 November 2010 launched an awareness-raising campaign in Douala, Cameroon against abuse of girls and respect for their rights;
- On 16 June 2011 held training sessions on sexually transmissible diseases (STDs);
- On 11 September 2012 held a roundtable on the anniversary of the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the activities organized by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in relation to the Human Rights Day, on 10 December 2010.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In cooperation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the organization created a radio station in Bana, a district comprising five villages.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization's work promotes the attainment of the MDGs related to women and children.

8. Comité catholique contre la faim et pour le développement

Special, 1998

Introduction

Comité catholique contre la faim et pour le développement is the first French NGO in the area of development. The organization supports those who combat hunger and poverty in approximately 60 countries. Every year, it finances more than 450 projects designed and implemented by its local partners.

Aims and purposes of the organization

As the first French association in the area of development, the Committee is engaged in a long-term fight against hunger, tackling all of its local and global causes through three main tools: support for partners, development education, and advocacy.

Significant changes in the organization

Since 2011, the Committee has been joined by three new members: *Délégation pour la Coopération Catholique*, *Pastorale des migrants*, and *Instituts religieux et solidarité internationale* (IRSI).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In the period 2010-2013, the organization supported the following partners:

- Caritas in Gao, Mali, which provides candidates with information on migration;
- Fomento de la Vida, Peru, which organizes support for producers of local potato varieties to improve their income;
- Kopkom, Haiti, a mango producers' cooperative set up to enable small farmers to improve their income by avoiding intermediaries;
- Synergie paysanne, Benin, which takes action against land monopolization by the country's elite.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the following meetings, as indicated in each case:

In 2010:

- 12-23 July: Meetings of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty. The organization contributed to the wording of the outline and preamble of the draft Treaty;
- October 2010: Meetings and negotiations of the Committee on World Food Security of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO);

In 2011:

- 6 April: Seminar organized by France and the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research on the draft Arms Trade Treaty;
- 17-22 October: Meetings of the Committee on World Food Security. The organization contributed to the meetings of thematic working groups;

In 2012:

- 2-27 July: Seminar entitled "The Arms Trade Treaty: what opportunities for Africa?", held by the organization itself during the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty;
- 20-26 October: Work of the First Committee of the General Assembly, particularly discussions on the draft Arms Trade Treaty;

In 2013:

- 18-28 March: Participation in the final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty;
- 7-11 October: Fortieth session of the Committee on World Food Security.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

See above.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization took the following initiatives:

- MDG 1: *Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger*. In early 2011, the organization supported Fomento de la Vida, which provides Peruvian farmers with trade opportunities, training and technical assistance to enable them to protect biodiversity and increase their income;
- MDG 3: *Promote gender equality and empower women*. The Committee supports Académie de travail des femmes, established in 2003, in training female leaders and militant workers in defending their rights;
- MDG 8: *Develop a global partnership for development*. In October 2010, the organization participated in the official delegation of France to the session of the Committee on World Food Security, which became a key forum for the establishment of world governance with regard to food. The organization contributed to the preparation of a code of ethics in connection with land monopolization.

The organization participates in the Task Force on Tax and Development of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in order to examine tax evasion issues in developing countries.

9. Fondation Suisse Maroc pour le Développement Durable

Special, 2010

Introduction

Fondation Suisse Maroc pour le Développement Durable actively seeks to strengthen relations between Switzerland and Morocco and supports the implementation of sustainable projects; encourages tolerance and fraternity; and focuses on improving the life of disadvantaged young persons in poor areas.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Foundation's mission consists in:

- Implementing economic, ecological and social projects related to sustainable development, and sensitizing the population to sustainable development;
- Creating effective partnerships with the private sector and civil society organizations in order to support development and reduce poverty;
- Formulating strategies aimed at providing young persons with a real opportunity to find decent work;
- Promoting new methods of governance based on greater social cohesion;

- Supporting scientific observation of sustainable development, particularly in cooperation with specialized bodies.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Foundation's fifth Euro-Mediterranean economic symposium took place at the United Nations, Geneva, on 2 November 2012.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Foundation participated in the following events:

- 28 February - 25 March 2011: Sixteenth session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva;
- 7-9 September 2011: Third International NGO Forum for the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women, Geneva;
- 6 February 2012: High-level Panel on Global Sustainability, Geneva;
- 20-22 June 2012: United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro 20 years after the Earth Summit;
- 25 February - 22 March 2013: Twenty-second session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva;
- 20-21 March 2013: Multi-year Expert Meeting on Commodities and Development of UNCTAD (fifth session under the Doha mandate), Geneva;
- 27 May-14 June 2013: Twenty-third session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The cooperation in question took the following forms:

- Contribution to the UNCTAD publication entitled *The Road to Rio+20: For a development-led green economy – 1992-2012*, New York and Geneva, 2011;
- On 2 November 2012, in Geneva, signature of two framework agreements for cooperation on sustainable development, governance and environmental protection between UNDP, the Foundation, the Regional Council of Tangiers-Tetouan and the Oriental Region Council.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The foundation supports the implementation of the MDGs by working on the issues of sustainable development, infrastructure, and renewable energy production and distribution.

10. Génération recherche action et formation pour l'environnement

Special, 2006

Introduction

The association *Génération recherche action et formation pour l'environnement* is an NGO based in Rolle, Switzerland. Since its creation, it participates in the implementation of initiatives in support of the population of Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association specializes in microcredit. It supports projects in various informal economy sectors (trade, agriculture, livestock breeding and the crafts) in rural and urban areas. The association endeavours to combat poverty and prevent the abandonment of rural areas through the creation of income-generating jobs and access to training. The association launches specific projects through donations (for instance, equipping remote villages with water filters).

Significant changes in the organization

The deterioration of the security situation in Burkina Faso in the period 2010-2013 obliged the association to close one of its offices. As a result, no new project was launched. In Côte d'Ivoire, political strife disturbed the management of the partners' group, and thus no mission took place. However, the projects in progress continued.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

See the various activities described below, under the headings of participation in meetings of the United Nations and initiatives taken in support of the MDGs.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The association participated in the following events:

- 4-8 and 29 July 2011: High-level debate of the Economic and Social Council, Geneva;
- 22 February 2012: Joint NGO Briefing Series for the thirteenth session of UNCTAD, Geneva;
- 24 May 2012: Meeting on the annual report of UNDP entitled "Africa Human Development Report 2012: Towards a Food Secure Future", Geneva;
- 4 July 2012: Twentieth session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva;
- 7 March 2013: International symposium on attaining the MDGs and a related empowerment strategy, organized by Coalition des ONG pour les OMD (Alliance of NGOs for the MDGs), Geneva;
- 22 July 2013: Round table on the significance of drugs control, crime prevention and criminal justice for the post-2015 development priorities, and discussion on African countries in a post-conflict process, substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, Geneva.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Regular relations were maintained with the NGO Liaison Unit, Geneva, and missions were organized to every country where activities are undertaken, in order to coordinate activities of the association in support of the goals of UNDP.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The association took the following initiatives:

- MDG 1: As of the end of 2013, 1,389 microcredits were in progress in Senegal, 86 in Burkina Faso and 18 in Côte d'Ivoire;
- MDG 7: Rehabilitation of salt land of an area of 3,200 ha in Senegal and 1,400 ha in Burkina Faso; purchase, transport and installation of drinking-water provision equipment in the Senegal river valley for the benefit of approximately 8,000 inhabitants;
- MDG 8: Access to microfinancing provided to population groups not eligible for bank credit.

11. Ingénieurs du monde

Special, 2006

Introduction

Ingénieurs du monde is a technical, non-religious and non-political NGO consisting of volunteer engineers.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization aims to enhance well-being through know-how, and to build technical capacities through technology transfer, dissemination of know-how and technical training, training of specialists, technical assistance, provision of resources, advice, project management, transfer support and project implementation.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributed to the following activities and events:

In 2010:

- Participation in the thirteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, Geneva, 16-21 May;
- Participation in the one-hundredth session of the Human Rights Committee, Geneva, 11-29 October;

In 2011:

- Submission of a written statement to the sixteenth regular session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva, 28 February - 25 March;
- Submission of a written statement to the Human Rights Council, 29 April;
- Participation in the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), Geneva, 16-20 May;

In 2012:

- Participation in UNDP, UNESCO, ITU and UNCTAD meetings and the WSIS forum, Geneva, 14-18 May;
- Participation in the fifteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, Geneva, 21-25 May;
- Participation in the forty-first (twenty-first special) session of the General Assembly of WIPO, Geneva, 1-9 October;

In 2013:

- Participation in the WSIS Forum 2013 Open Consultation Process, 15 February);
- Submission of a written statement to the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, Geneva, 1 July 26th;
- Participation in the twenty-fourth regular session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva, 9-27 September.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in meetings of the following bodies:

2010:

- UNCTAD;
- General Assembly, 20-29 September;
- World Trade Organization (WTO), 15-17 September;

2011:

- ITU;
- UNESCO;
- UNCTAD;
- UNDP;
- Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), 12-13 April;

2012:

- Economic and Social Council (16 January 18th);
- OHCHR, 1-9 October;
- UIT

2013:

- WIPO, 13-17 May;
- UNCTAD, 16-27 September;
- Open consultation on the overall review of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes, 7-8 October and 16-17 December.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization is closely involved in the work of the Ad Hoc United Nations Group on the Information Society (UNGIS), which also includes UNESCO, ITU, UNDP and UNCTAD, in the area of new technologies.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

In addition to the activities described above, the organization created a training centre in Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania; and currently works on the creation of a vocational school in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

12. Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire

Special, 2010

Introduction

Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire is a non-political NGO consisting of activists striving to promote and protect human rights, particularly women's rights. The organization is engaged in a determined and relentless combat against all forms of violence suffered by women, undertaking activities in the framework of good governance and sustainable development. *Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire* builds the organizational and operational capacities of women, particularly in the rural areas, in order to meet speedily the needs of vulnerable population groups, especially those lacking information on health, hygiene and women's rights, and to enhance their production capacity.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization aims to provide psychological and material assistance and support to population groups in distress at the national level, through action in the social, health, education and human-rights spheres. The organization contributes to personal well-being by the means of education in human rights culture, democratic governance and community development. In particular, it contributes to the promotion of human rights, especially protection of women against violence, and of citizen participation, governance, community development and women's empowerment.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire readily supports and contributes to the action of United Nations bodies in Côte d'Ivoire by participating in their activities (inter alia, meetings, training and awareness-raising campaigns).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire participated in various meetings, mainly during the fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women (held, respectively, on 22 February and 4 and 14 March 2011, and on 27 February and 9 and 15 March 2012).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire offered its cooperation to the international commission of inquiry created by Human Rights Council resolution 16/25 of 25 March 2011 to "investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding the allegations of serious abuses and violations of human rights committed in Côte d'Ivoire following the presidential election of 28 November 2010, in order to identify those responsible for such acts and to bring them to justice".

The organization contributed as appropriate to monitoring the implementation of treaties by providing information for the preparation of the reports of Côte d'Ivoire:

- On the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
- To the Human Rights Committee;
- For the universal periodic review. During national consultations aimed at evaluating the implementation of the recommendations of the first cycle of the universal periodic review, *Playdoo - Côte d'Ivoire* cooperated fully and provided information for the preparation of the official report.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MDG 2: The organization makes educational material available in low school enrolment areas and provides school kits to children from families that are poor or have been victims of the crisis in the country;

MDG 3: The organization promotes economic and social development by offering women emancipation opportunities through income-generating activities;

MDG 5: The organization makes significant donations of maternal- and child-care material and equipment in areas particularly affected by post-natal problems.

13. Presse Emblème Campagne

Special, 2010

Introduction

Presse Emblème Campagne is a Geneva-based international NGO active in the areas of human rights, humanitarian law and conflict resolution, and covering all regions of the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of the organization is to defend freedom of the press and strengthen the protection of journalists in areas affected by conflict and internal violence. The organization systematically documents violations of international human-rights and humanitarian-law treaties (the Geneva Conventions) with regard to the work of the media and intervenes at the diplomatic level with governments and international organizations to ensure respect for those instruments.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Since 2010, the organization has contributed to various activities of the United Nations. Thus, it participated in all sessions of the Human Rights Council in Geneva and contributed to the United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity, drawn up by UNESCO, and to the related work of OHCHR.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the second United Nations Inter-Agency Meeting on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity, which was convened by UNESCO and co-hosted by OHCHR, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and UNDP in Vienna on 22-23 November 2012.

The organization participated as an NGO in the work of the Human Rights Council in Geneva, from the thirteenth through the twenty-fourth regular sessions of the Council and from its fifteenth through its nineteenth special sessions. It submitted written statements to these sessions, during each of which it presented a number of oral statements.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization cooperated with OHCHR, the Human Rights Council and UNESCO (on the United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity), and with the President of the General Assembly in New York (at the meeting of 12 September 2012).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization does not focus on any specific initiatives related to the MDGs but supports the overall development agenda through work for the defence of fundamental rights.

14. Secours populaire francais

Special, 2006

Introduction

Secours populaire francais is a movement in which event-coordinators/fund-raisers offer their time to promote solidarity by receiving and supporting persons, organizing events, collecting funds or material resources, hosting children during vacation, steering, managing and evaluating activities and recruiting others as event-coordinators/fund-raisers.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association's mission is to act against poverty and exclusion in France and the world as a whole. The association pays special attention to problems of exclusion, and in particular provides emergency shelters, clothing and food and refers persons to health care establishments. It offers care for individuals and families and helps them by providing access to housing, health services, vacation, cultural, leisure and sport activities and professional integration.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

On 22 June 2012, a conference was organized in Paris to launch the International Year of Water Cooperation. In 2013, a special report on "Water sharing, an urgent matter for humanity" was published in the association's journal. Conferences organized throughout 2013 included a round table on "Water, a common good to be shared and protected". Event coordinators addressed that subject in schools and in awareness-raising workshops for the general public.

Every year, the association organizes awareness-raising campaigns through exhibitions and film screenings and discussions carried out across France in connection with the International Women's Day; and other initiatives in connection with the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No information has been provided.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The association uses and disseminates data published by United Nations agencies and takes action based on their recommendations and priorities, with the focus on women and children.

The association's teams carry out emergency activities on the basis of all humanitarian-crisis information and data provided by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).

Subsequent to the Haiti earthquake of January 2010, the association ensured the reconstruction of a school at Orangers, Jacmel. The World Food Programme (WFP) provides supplies for the school canteen, securing a free lunch for the pupils every day.

In 2012, the association and its partner Medical Society Relief established a three-year programme co-financed by UNDP and designed to encourage the youth of East Jerusalem to participate in mutual-aid and civic-support activities.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The association, with regard to:

- MDG 1, set up in Nicaragua a programme to improve living conditions for 1,300 peasant families by strengthening food security and enhancing economic returns;
- MDG 2, launched with its partner HED Tamat in 2013 in the Niger a school enrolment programme for nomad children in the commune of Ingall;
- MDG 3, launched with its partner El Karamat in 2013 in Mauritania an extensive programme against excision and early marriage in the adouabas. More than 3,000 persons in 31 villages were sensitized;
- MDG 4, launched in Benin a nutritional education project for 300 children under five in two lakeside villages particularly affected by malnutrition.
- MDG 5, through a project for enhancing access to care in Morocco, made equipment available to a maternity facility in Tazarine, participated in the training of midwives and provided appropriate supplies;
- MDG 6, cooperated with the Ekupholeni association in South Africa to provide psychosocial support and vocational training to young heads of household affected by AIDS;
- MDG 7, launched in Haiti an extensive programme providing 3,500 persons in the Rivière Froide commune with access to drinking water so as to improve health conditions for the families concerned.

Additional information

In 2013, the association carried out 151 solidarity activities and programmes in 55 countries with 139 partners.

15. Traditions pour demain

Special, 2006

Introduction

Traditions pour demain is an international, independent, non-governmental and non-profit network with no religious or partisan affiliation. Run mainly by volunteers, the network comprises its members and individual donors. Since 1986, it has supported the cultural identity promotion efforts of tens of peoples and minorities, including hundreds of Amerindian communities in Central and South America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization intervenes with national governmental and international bodies, such as the United Nations, UNESCO or WIPO, to encourage progress in the area of international standards and national policies, particularly with regard to the cultural rights of indigenous peoples, the protection of live cultural heritage and the defence of cultural diversity.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization was granted the status of official partner of UNESCO and filed an application for permanent observer status with WIPO.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributed to efforts to attain MDGs by participating in:

- Specialized meetings with NGOs in the Palais des Nations, Geneva;
- A meeting with OHCHR, held in Panama in 2012.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the following events:

- Annual sessions of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), Geneva;
- High-level debate of the Economic and Social Council, 2013;
- Preparatory meetings of the Permanent Forum on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization cooperated with the following bodies:

- NGO Liaison Unit, Geneva;
- WIPO;
- UNESCO.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization carries out poverty eradication projects on the ground by supporting cultural industries in the countries of the South.

Additional information

The organization contributed to the preparation of the post-2015 sustainable development goals at the International Congress on "Culture: Key to Sustainable Development" held at Hangzhou, China, on 15-17 May 2013.
