

future. The first report under the Convention Against Torture is also under preparation and is likely to be submitted to the Committee within the next year.

DRAFT INSTRUMENTS

An open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) has met for a week prior to the regular session of the CHR since 1979 to draft a Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Convention, containing 51 articles, was adopted at first reading by the working group at its last session in February 1988. A special two week session of the working group has been scheduled for late November 1988 in order to complete the second reading of the Convention. It is hoped that the Convention will be adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1989, the 30th anniversary of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child.

Since 1981, an open-ended working group of the Third Committee of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has been continuing its consideration of a draft international convention on the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and their families. The working group is nearing the completion of the second reading of the Convention.

Since 1981 as well, an open-ended working group of the Sixth Committee of the UNGA has been considering a draft body of principles of the protection of all persons under any form of detention or imprisonment. The Working Group will reconvene at the beginning of UNGA 43 and will, it is hoped, complete its work during the present session.