

Section H of the report of the Sub-committee on Indian Women and the Indian Act (as referred to in section (g) of the Special Committee's Order of Reference):

H. AREAS FOR FURTHER STUDY

Your sub-committee has made note of several areas which require further study and which should be considered by the second sub-committee or otherwise given attention:

- 1) that the elimination of the entire concept of enfranchisement be studied further;
- 2) that an Office of the Aboriginal Rights Commissioner to protect the recognition of special rights of aboriginal peoples in Canada be considered for a function analogous to the Commissioner of Official Languages;
- 3) that the *Indian Act* be reviewed so as to reinforce group rights and to bring the Act in line with international covenants;
- 4) that traditional practices such as marriages, adoptions, etc., not be restricted or discriminated against by the *Indian Act*;
- 5) that discrimination in the Act against men, and against children be examined;
- 6) that a formula and process be devised for provision to Indian communities of land and resources for persons added to band lists as the result of the removal of discrimination clauses from the *Indian Act*;
- 7) that a means for band control of membership criteria, process, decisions and appeals in accord with international covenants be instituted;
- 8) that the subject of the rights of non-Indians such as residency, political and legal rights, retention of rights on death or divorce, be studied.