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Concluding observations of the Human Rights Committee

Canada

1. The Committee considered the fourth periodic report of the Government of Canada (CCPR/C/103/Add.5) at its 1737th and 1738th meetings (CCPR/SR.1737-1738), held on 26 March 1999, and adopted the following concluding observations at its 1747th meeting (CCPR/C/SR.1747), held on 6 April 1999.

A. Introduction

- 2. The Committee welcomes the comprehensive fourth periodic report as well as the additional written information covering the period since the submission of that report. The Committee expresses its appreciation for the presence of the large delegation representing the Government of Canada and for the frank and forthright replies furnished by the delegation to the issues raised by the Committee. However, the Committee is concerned that the delegation was not able to give up-to-date answers or information about compliance with the Covenant by the provincial authorities.
- B. Principal positive aspects