

- ▶ **human rights and terrorism**, [Ms. Kalliopi K. Koufa, 2000] (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1997/28; resolution 1997/39); and,
- ▶ **human rights and scientific progress**, [Mr. Osman El-Haffé, 2000] (resolution 1997/42).

## Draft Declarations and Draft Optional Protocols

There are, at present, initiatives in progress focused on the elaboration of either draft declarations on human rights or optional protocols to the human rights treaties. These groups are as follows:

- ▶ The Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, optional protocol to the Covenant, (E/CN.4/1997/105).
- ▶ Working Group on an optional protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, (E/CN.6/1997/WG/L.3 and E/CN.6/1997/WG/L.3.1).
- ▶ Working Group on an optional protocol to the Convention against Torture (E/CN.4/1997/33). The 6<sup>th</sup> session of the WG took place in Geneva, 13–24 October 1997.
- ▶ Working Group on an optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child, related to children in armed conflict, (E/CN.4/1997/96).
- ▶ Working Group on an optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child, related to the sale of children (E/CN.4/1997/97).
- ▶ Working Group on the drafting of a declaration on the right and responsibility of individuals, viz. the rights of human rights defenders (E/CN.4/1997/92).
- ▶ Working Group on indigenous issues, related to the drafting of a declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples (E/CN.4/1997/102). The 3<sup>rd</sup> session of the WG took place in Geneva, 27 October to 7 November 1997.