



**COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN**  
**35<sup>th</sup> SESSION, 15 May to 2 June 2006**  
**UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS**

The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) will convene its 35<sup>th</sup> session in New York, USA, *from 15 May to 2 June 2006*.

#### **Countries reporting**

The Committee will examine the reports of the following eight States parties: Bosnia & Herzegovina, Malaysia, Saint Lucia, Turkmenistan, Cyprus, Guatemala, Malawi, and Romania.

#### **CEDAW concluding comments**

During its sessions the CEDAW Committee considers reports of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. Following such consideration, the CEDAW Committee formulates concluding comments that assist the State party in the further implementation of the Convention. These concluding comments outline positive aspects, principal subjects of concern and the Committee's recommendations on how to address challenges faced by the State party. States parties' reports, concluding comments (once adopted), and other documentation is available online at:

<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/>

#### **CEDAW Committee members**

The CEDAW Committee consists of 23 members, serving in their personal capacity. In 2006 the members of the Committee are from Algeria, Bangladesh, Benin, Brazil, China, Croatia, Cuba, Egypt, France, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Malaysia, Mauritius, Netherlands, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania and Singapore.

For more information, please see: [www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/members.htm](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/members.htm)

#### **Documentation**

The reports of the eight States parties to be considered at the 35<sup>th</sup> session

## **Presenting NGO reports**

In addition to attending the CEDAW session as observers, the Committee welcomes country-specific information that may be submitted as alternative or shadow reports to the CEDAW members. Representatives from NGOs also have the option of orally presenting country-specific information during the informal meetings with CEDAW Committee members.

### **A) Oral intervention**

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