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with respect to human rights**

**ORAL STATEMENT ON ARTICLE 15 BY CIDSE ET AL.**

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Thank you, Mr. Chair-Rapporteur

I am speaking on behalf of the CIDSE network, and its member organisations, Broederlijk Delen and Trócaire. We want to express our support on Uruguay's proposal for an Article 15.4 e bis, specifying the competence of the Committee to receive communications from individuals or groups alleging cases of abuses and violations. We believe this is an essential provision in overcoming barriers faced by communities to have effective access to justice, and we call for other States' support on this article, taking into account as well the suggestions of other civil society organisations.

Furthermore, we support specifying strong monitoring and reporting mechanisms, including periodic reviews and the capacity to receive communications from affected communities, who should be explicitly included as part of the groups mentioned in this article.

I thank you Mr. Chair.

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