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1. Alliance Creative Community Project

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Alliance Creative Community Project (ACCP), a Non-Profit/Non-Governmental Organization was registered in 2008 in Ghana with a vision of promoting of peace, harmony and sustainable environments. The organization has provided a platform for Ghana Police Service, Ghana National Fire Service, Narcotics Control Board and other state institutions to work with communities on Health, Sanitation, Fire Prevention, Crime Prevention, Drug Abuse and HIV AIDS. In the process, ACCP has become a member of United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in 2013, United Nations Major Group Member of World Sustainable Development (UNWSD), United Nations Information Center (UNIC) and Global Youth Biodiversity Network Worldwide.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ACCP aim is a world in which state institutions, especially the security agencies, interact freely and work together with communities towards the promotion of peace, harmony and sustainable environments and our purpose is to creating a platform for state institutions and communities to work together in the promotion of good health, sanitation and peaceful environments that support life.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

During the period in question, the organization contributed a lot towards the work of the United Nations. Notable among them are the following: On Saturday 29th of June, 2014 the organization, in collaboration with Ghana Narcotics Control Board, sensitized the youth of the Ablekuma North, Ga South and Ablekuma West Communities and its environs in the Greater Accra region of Ghana on the dangers of illicit drugs/ drug abuse. On the 4th December 2014, the organization's executives were invited by Ghana Center for Democratic

Development (CDD-Ghana) to a Validation on Citizen Reception of Transparency and Accountability in Local Governance at the Coconut Groove Hotel, Accra-Ghana and also invited to the 2nd West African Clean Energy & Environment Exhibition conference at the Accra International Conference Centre all in support of United Nations Sustainable Development agenda.

The organization used one full week in the period between 24th_ 30th April 2015; the organization devoted its time fully in the fight against malaria, tuberculosis, HIV AIDS and other vices in Gomoa-Ojobi community in the Central Region of Ghana.

On the 19th and 20th of December 2016, in collaboration with “Jeunesse Initiative Pour l' Evolution Du Togo” (JIPET), an NGO in Togo, Alliance Creative Community Project paid visits to the prisons of Lome and Tsevie, where the organizations embarked on environmental cleaning projects in the prisons and also made donations of sanitary items and cloths to the inmates.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The representative of Alliance Creative Community Project in the United States of America attended the 60th session of the Commission on the Status of Women held from 14th to 24th March 2016 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The program discussed Women empowerment and its link to sustainable development. The Commission also evaluated progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions from its fifty-seventh session in 2013 on “Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls”.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

ACCP undertook many initiatives in support of the Millennium Development Goals. Prominent among these were promotion of environmental sanitation and personal hygiene on 29th March 2013 at the Mallam Market. Also, ACCP on Saturday 29th of June, 2014 with the help of the youth from the Ablekuma North Communities undertook a clean-up exercise at the Ghana Police Hospital.

2. Almanar Voluntary Organization

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Almanar Voluntary Organization is a women's Sudanese NGO established in 1991 to reverse the tide of deterioration of the overall socio-economic situation and the basic rights of women.

Aims and purposes of the organization

It's main goal: works with IDPs, returnees, refugees, host communities and authorities on high quality programs using a community-focused, participatory, capacity building, holistic approach to improve governance and the free exercise of rights; to increase access to basic services; to enable community development; and to build an active civil society for all. Almanar works in 5 sites and Omdurman Women Prison in Khartoum state, 12 sites in North and South Kordofan states.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Almanar has been a member of the common humanitarian fund (CHF) advisory board throughout 2013 – 2016 as a representative of national NGOs that supports the Humanitarian Coordinator to steer the strategy and oversees the performance of the CHF. Almanar is a member of the United Nation Humanitarian Commission of Refugee (UNHCR) protection sector steering group from 2014- 2015 responsible of review of strategic elements.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Almanar representatives participated in the UN Commission on Status of Women (CSW58) in New York, United States of America, 2014, participated in online International Association of Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection: learning sessions and in online Country Based Pooled Funds NGO Dialogue Platform on 15th December 2015 at the UN Secretariat, NY. Almanar participated on a workshop on international humanitarian

architecture in Khartoum, October 2015. In December 2016 participated on IOM workshops on human trafficking and smuggling of migrants.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Almanar implemented projects funded by UNHCR: primary health project for refugees and South Sudanese and protection project (prevention of statelessness) (2013-2016), UNFPA: prevention of GBV 2013-2015, UNICEF and CHF: management of acute malnutrition of children under 5 and children under three of inmate mothers 2013-2014, WFP: management of moderate malnutrition 2014-2015, UNDP: superwomen network 2016, engaging men, women, girls, boys, older people, ensuring full and equal respect for the rights, regardless of age, gender, ethnic, social, religious into need identification, project design, implementation and monitoring, projects activities were interrelated and interconnected binding people to promote social cohesion to work towards reaching durable solutions using partnership with local communities, provide live saving, recovery, development program.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Support MDGs 1,3,4,8 through continuation of the above-mentioned activities and SDGs 1,2,3,5,16,17: and Almanar joined the HelpAge Global Network in April 2016 and incorporated older people in all projects SDG 3. In July 2016 joined the UNDP superwomen network in Sudan.

3. Alsalam Foundation

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Alsalam Foundation is an independent international charitable non-governmental organization with projects and events relating to youth, education, academic research, community support and international aid work. We also aim to increase the full and part time education and social welfare of Muslim communities by building schools, creating institutions of higher learning and developing educational programs. Alsalam Foundation has its headquarters in London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and operates in the United States and Iraq as a recognized NGO.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Alsalam Foundation emphasizes the growing need of peaceful coexistence, religious and racial tolerance. As part of a multi-cultural, ethnic and religious world, we aim to highlight the commonalities between us, thus leading to increased tolerance and understanding.

Significant changes in the organization

Alsalam Foundation has changed the name of the organization to “Alridha Foundation”.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Since 2013, the Foundation has held Consultative Status with the ECOSOC and sends delegations to important conferences at the headquarters in New York, United States, throughout the year in support of our work regarding multi-cultural, ethnic and religious communities. We support like-minded partner organizations to regularly engage with the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland, where delegations host side events, deliver oral interventions and submit written statements for the record.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, and 34th sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland from 2014 to

2017. In advance of these sessions, Alsalam Foundation submitted written statements under agenda item 4. During these sessions, Representatives met with diplomatic missions, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and the Special Procedures. Representatives also delivered oral interventions under agenda items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10, as well as during interactive dialogues and panel debates. Alsalam Foundation hosted side events at each of these sessions relating to: the Universal Periodic Review of Bahrain; religious and cultural rights in Bahrain; labor rights in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar; and religious and cultural rights.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Representatives regularly met with the staff of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights to update the Office on human rights issues of concern in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Iraq from 2013 to 2016. The Foundation submitted reports and documentation of human rights abuses to the Offices of the Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council from 2013 to 2014.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

4. American Association of Jurists

(Special; 1989)

Introduction

The American Association of Jurists (AAJ) was founded in 1975. It has national chapters and individual members throughout North, Central, South America and the Caribbean. Other lawyers' organizations are affiliated to AAJ, namely, National Lawyers Guild, Unión Nacional de Juristas de Cuba and Asociación de Abogados de Buenos Aires.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The purposes are: supporting self-determination, and full economic independence and the sovereignty of the State over its wealth and natural resources; opposing imperialism, fascism, colonialism and neocolonialism, racism and discrimination against women, indigenous peoples and national minorities; defending peace based on the principles of peaceful co-existence between States of different social and economic systems; defending and promoting human rights; mobilizing jurists of the American Continent to develop activities to contribute to the juridical sciences; defending the legal profession and supporting jurists who are persecuted because of their activity in upholding the principles herein.

Significant changes in the organization

No significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

XVI Continental Conference of AAJ in Santiago del Estero, Argentina under the theme "Regional Integration: Legal Challenges (25-27 September, 2013). Co-sponsored by the Ministry of Justice & Human Rights of Argentina. Keynote speaker on: Inter-American Court of Human Rights. Panels on: democracy and regional integration; natural resources and the environment; crimes against humanity; gender; and labor rights. Organized a seminar on "The Judicial Power and Democracy in Latin America" (26 November, 2015) in San Salvador, El Salvador.

XVII Continental Conference of AAJ in Havana, Cuba, “Integration, Democracy and Peace in the Americas” (23-25 November, 2016). Co-sponsored by the University of Havana, the Supreme Court and Latin American Association of Labor Lawyers. Keynotes on the processes of integration in Latin America and the Caribbean. Panels on: the role of the judiciary in Latin America; migration; decolonization; gender; the right to work; and climate change.

Participated as international observer in the 1 March, 2015 parliamentary and mayoral elections in El Salvador. The organization was certified as an observer by the Electoral Supreme Court of El Salvador.

Participated as international observer in the Presidential elections in El Salvador (2 February and 9 March, 2014). The organization was certified as an observer by the Electoral Supreme Court of El Salvador.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 57th. (4-15 March, 2013) and 59th (9-20, March 2015) sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women, United Nations, New York.

Representatives attended the 22nd., 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st , 32nd, 33rd regular sessions of the Human Rights Council.

25th special session on the deteriorating situation of human rights in Syrian Arab Republic and the recent situation in Aleppo. Representative made an oral statement. 21 October 2016.

33rd. session, 13-30 September, 2016. High-level panel discussion on the 5th anniversary of the United Nations declaration on human rights education and training. Representative made oral statement on human rights education programs.

32nd. session. General debate in Item 7. Oral statement of human rights situation in the State of Palestine.

32nd session. Joint written statement (Item 2) (A/HRC/32/NGO/82). Western Sahara: its legal status and the United Nations responsibility.

31st session, 29 February- 24 March, 2016. Written statement (Item 4) (A/HRC/31/NGO/96). Climate change and the right to health.

31st session. General debate (Item 4). Oral statement. Human rights violations in Honduras and the murder of indigenous leader Berta Caceres.

29th session. 15 June-3 July 2015. General debate (Item 5). Oral statement access to medicines.

28th. Session. Universal Periodic Review (Item 6). Oral statement on Bolivia.

23rd session, 27 May-14 June, 2013. Joint written statement. (Item 3) (A/HRC/23/NGO/16).

Lifting of embargo against Cuba.

22nd session, 25 February-22 March 2013. Joint written statement. (Item 4) (A/HRC/22/NGO/40). The case of Oscar López Rivera.

Special Committee on Decolonization: June 2013-2016, in N.Y. Oral statements on the case of Puerto Rico.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

A representative participated as an expert on the case of the Malvinas at the Pacific Regional Seminar of the Special Committee on Decolonization, in Managua, 31 May to 2 June, 2016.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Contributed to MDG 8 with the seminar “Legal Aspects of the Current Argentine External Debt”, 26 November, 2014 in Universidad Metropolitana de la Educación y Trabajo, in Buenos Aires. Contributed to SDG 5 by speaking at a panel in the VI International Conference “Women, Gender and the Law”, May 11-13, 2016 in Hotel Habana Libre in Havana, Cuba.

5. American Bar Association

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

The American Bar Association (ABA), one of the largest voluntary professional membership organizations in the world, works to improve the administration of and access to justice and to build public understanding of the importance of the rule of law.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Goal IV of the ABA is to advance the rule of law through these objectives: increase public understanding of and respect for the rule of law, the legal process, and the role of the legal profession at home and throughout the world; hold governments accountable under law; work for just laws, including human rights, and a fair legal process, assure meaningful access to justice for all persons; and preserve the independence of the legal profession and the judiciary.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The ABA House of Delegates has adopted 18 resolutions during the 2013 - 2016 period in support of the work of the United Nations. Those resolutions include: Urging all countries not to apply statutes of limitation to genocide, crimes against humanity, and serious war crimes; urging governments to promote the human right to adequate food and nutrition for all through increased funding and development of strategies to prevent infringement of that right; urging United States Department of State to seek specific negotiations regarding a possible Hague Convention on private international law concerning children, including international surrogacy arrangements; urging support of government appointed counsel for unaccompanied children in immigration proceedings; and urging governments to enact civil protection order statutes that extend protection to minor and adult victims of sexual assault and rape.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The ABA participated in the following meetings of the United Nations between 2013 and 2016: United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Working Groups I, II, III, IV, and V in New York, United States, and Vienna, Austria; the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights Forum on Business and Human Rights in Geneva, Switzerland; the 52nd Session of Commission for Social Development; the 58th, 59th, and 60th Commission on the Status of Women conferences in New York; the Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing; the 65th Annual United Nations Department of Public Information Conference; the Post-2015 Development Agenda Summit; and the United Nations Summit to Adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Each year during the reporting period, the ABA has held ABA Day at the United Nations. ABA Day was implemented to (i) bring about a better understanding among ABA leaders about the workings of the United Nations; (ii) to better position the ABA to promote United Nations-related policies; and (iii) to determine what the ABA can properly do to assist in the continuing improvement of United States - United Nations relations. The ABA-UNDP International Legal Resource Center (ILRC) supports and promotes good governance and the rule of law around the world. The mission of the ILRC is to provide a legal resource capability to serve UNDP global governance programs and to assist UNDP Country Offices.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

In 2014, ABA President James Silkenat established the Task Force on Sustainable Development. The Task Force (1) Provided a real world perspective both from Task Force member activities within their own organizations as well as their membership in the other sustainability-related initiatives;(2) Identified roles for lawyers to play to both educate the key decision makers but also find ways for lawyers to advance the tenets of sustainable development; (3) Reviewed and made recommendations regarding the involvement of the ABA in implementing sustainable development matters world-wide; and (4) Submitted recommendations with reports to the House of Delegates regarding the involvement of the ABA in implementing sustainable development matters worldwide.

6. AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The American Diabetes Association is a voluntary health association with a network of more than 1,000,000 volunteers, a membership of more than 400,000 people with diabetes, their families and caregivers, and a professional membership of 14,000+ health care professionals. As the global authority on diabetes, the association works with others in the diabetes community to advance knowledge and translate research findings into practical solutions that make life better for people living with diabetes.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association's Mission is to "prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes." It leads the fight against diabetes and fights for those affected through funding research to prevent, cure and manage diabetes; delivering services to communities; providing objective information; and giving a voice to those denied their rights through advocacy at federal and state levels.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The association's work at fulfilling on its Mission supports the United Nations and the World Health Organization's Sustainable Development Goal of "ensuring healthy lives and promoting the well-being for all at all ages." In addition, Targets 1, 3 and 7 of the World Health Organization's Global Noncommunicable Disease Action Plan 2013-2020 have been furthered by the work of the association. The following are key efforts over the past 4 years.

- 1) Public Awareness. a) Annually executed a major public awareness campaign in the United States that included the distribution of a Diabetes Risk Tests to over 100,000 people to increase awareness of individual risk for diabetes and issue a Call to Action. b) Annually supported the public awareness efforts of the International Diabetes Federation's World

Diabetes Day. 2) Health Care Provider Education. a) Developed and delivered a comprehensive Train-the-Trainer course in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of diabetes and its complications to physicians in Indonesia (5 years) and Vietnam (4 years) reaching over 8,000 physicians. This two and three tier training approach built upon the capacity of health care providers to improve care. b) Annually conducted the world's largest diabetes-related scientific and medical congress focused on the latest basic and clinical research. It drew over 15,000 scientists and health care providers from over 100 countries who gathered to share the latest in diabetes basic, clinical, and education research. 3) Patient Education. Developed and distributed patient and consumer tools and resources in multiple languages to help individuals improve self-management. 4) Research. Annually provided \$30,000,000 in research grants focused on diabetes.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The association, with its Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, is viewed as the authoritative source for information on diabetes. On a couple of occasions over the past 4 years, Officers of the association have been invited to participate in meetings of the World Health Assembly when issues related to diabetes have been on the agenda.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The association's activities did not contribute to specific initiatives of the Millennium Development Goals. However they did contribute to the following Sustainable Development Goals. 1) Goal 3.4 by: a) delivering a Diabetes Risk Test to over 100,000 people annually to raise awareness of the risk for diabetes, and b) collaborating with State health departments on the implementation of the Centers for Disease Control's Diabetes Prevention Program. 2) Goal 3.8 by: a) collaborating with partner organizations in advocating for and securing Medicare coverage for the National Diabetes Prevention Program for seniors at risk for diabetes, and b) working in collaboration with other health care related organization to increase advocacy efforts that resulted in the passage of the Affordable Care Act. 3) Goal 3.b by funding 393

research grants during the reporting period. 4) Goals 3.c and 3.d by increasing, through its professional education programs, the capacity of over 8,000 physician in Indonesia and Vietnam, and over 100,000 worldwide to better prevent, diagnose, and treat diabetes.

Additional Information

The association is a member of the International Diabetes Federation and with the International Alliance of Patient Organizations. It collaborates with these organizations and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes on issues related to patient rights, science and medicine.

7. American Heart Association, Inc.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Cardiovascular disease is the number one cause of death worldwide, accounting for more than 30% of all global deaths. For over 90 years, the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association (AHA/ASA) has been a national and global leader in cardiovascular science and care, including science-based treatment guidelines, research, and advocacy. We are widely recognized as a partner of choice for researchers, health systems, providers, patients and caregivers, both nationally and internationally. Outside the United States, the AHA/ASA is working to reduce the global burden of heart disease and stroke through trainings and initiatives in over 80 countries. Our international engagement dates back to 1946 when one of our founders helped launch the International Society of Cardiology, a precursor of the World Heart Federation. Since the early 1990's, increasing collaboration with peer international societies has facilitated scientific exchange as well as global consensus around treatment guidelines, notably for emergency cardiovascular care (ECC). Most recently, since 2010, the AHA/ASA has been increasingly active with the United Nations and other global advocacy initiatives focused on non-communicable diseases (NCD). We leverage our unparalleled science leadership via this global platform to save lives worldwide, through a wide range of programs and initiatives described below.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The American Heart Association (AHA)/American Stroke Association (ASA) is one of the world's preeminent voluntary health organization dedicated to cardiovascular disease and stroke.

Significant changes in the organization

It is a member organization of the World Heart Federation, the World Stroke Organization and a supporter of the NCD Alliance. As part of the Association's international plan, it has adopted the World Health Organization's health goal of a 25% reduction of premature mortality of non-communicable disease by 2025 and the SDG#3.

We are a key partner in global coalitions calling for increased attention to chronic diseases. Our work is building the foundation for global health diplomacy that will help spur the creation of new partners and opportunities in strategic areas/regions of interest.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

We share the best in science at our annual Scientific Sessions, International Stroke Conference and 10 specialty conferences. Almost half of our meeting attendees and almost 25% of our 32,500 professional members are international. AHA and ASA's journals and scientific publications have extensive international reach, with *Circulation* among the top ranked cardiology journals worldwide.

The AHA/ASA maintains relationships with more than 150 "sister" organizations around the world. Recent specific partnerships for scientific exchange include signed memoranda of understanding with the Ministry of Science and Technology in China, and with the Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) in the Americas.

Several key programs that are being piloted focus on quality improvement programs addressing cardiovascular disease and stroke as well as pediatric life support. We also license our women and heart disease awareness program, Go Red for Women, to sister heart foundations/societies to raise awareness in support of women and heart disease.

The Association has been an active participant working on global NCD coalitions calling for increased United States engagement on NCDs. It works to raise the profile of NCDs and its impact on women through policy dialogue, partnership building, and grassroots mobilization. The need for increased attention to the rising epidemic of NCDs is a central message within these coalitions and how its attention can protect the current United States government's investment in global health. An integration strategy is also called for to leverage existing platforms like maternal and child health and PEPFAR as key focus areas.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Association annually participates in the annual UN General Assembly, ECOSOC, the Commission on the Status of Women as well as the World Health Assembly. As a national United States organization, it actively engages with the leadership of the US government to ensure they are accountable to fulfilling their commitments to the NCD Political Declaration

as well as the SDGs.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Participant of the World Health Organization/Global Coordination Mechanism; ECOSOC Accredited; UN Women; UNICEF; WHO Management of NCDs, Disability, Violence and Injury Prevention; PAHO.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Association as a member of key global coalitions has held several side events focused on the integration of women and NCDs within the SDGs. It has also produced collateral materials calling for governments to take action on this issue.

8. American Jewish Committee, The

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

American Jewish Committee (AJC) based in New York City, United States, has twenty-two offices throughout the United States, ten international offices, and thirty-four partnerships with Jewish communities in Africa, the Americas, and Europe.

Aims and purposes of the organization

AJC seeks a more peaceful, humane and just world. It fosters inter-group harmony and understanding. AJC promotes human rights and fundamental freedoms for all worldwide, and seeks to eradicate intolerance and discrimination including anti-Semitism.

Significant changes in the organization

By-laws changes address only technical matters, e.g., the frequency of Board of Governors meetings (three times annually) and revising the title of Executive Director to Chief Executive Officer. During the reporting period, AJC established new partnerships with communities and organizations in Moldova, Lithuania, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

AJC representatives participated in and monitored sessions at UN New York Headquarters of the Commission on the Status of Women. In 2013, AJC published a study on the six UN High Commissioners for Human Rights, introducing the volume together with the United Nations Foundation in the Dag Hammarskjold Library on 10 December 2013. Our representatives attended General Assembly (GA) and Third Committee sessions, also monitoring the Committee on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), ECOSOC, and the Human Rights Council (HRC) electronically. At the request of the UN Secretary-General's Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, we prepared a Manual setting forth the normative basis in international law underpinning genocide prevention. We introduced the Manual in June 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland, with the HRC President in

attendance. Our representatives participated in the GA's International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime at UN Headquarters in 2015. In October 2016, we began a series of conversations with the UN Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights on opportunities and challenges facing the human rights program in New York. Our representative is a member-at-large of the bureau of the UN NGO Committee on Freedom of Religion or Belief (New York), an affiliated NGO Substantive Committee of the Conference of NGOs in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

During the September 2016 UN Summit for Refugees and Migrants, our representative participated in a meeting sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights entitled "Protecting Human Rights in the Context of Large Movements of Migrants and Refugees." We participated in educational programs organized by the Department of Public Information, such as on Holocaust Remembrance. Representatives of AJC's Jacob Blaustein Institute were invited by governments to meetings on implementation of HRC resolution 16/18 on combating religious intolerance. Our representatives attended and spoke on panels UN GA's High Level Forum on Global Anti-Semitism in 2015 and 2016. We also participated in a meeting at the UN in September 2016 that launched a new initiative entitled "Preventing Conflicts through the Mainstreaming of Human Rights." Our representative was a featured speaker at an October 2016 side event at UN headquarters sponsored by Switzerland, Costa Rica, and Finland entitled "Implementation of United Nations human rights treaty body recommendations."

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

At the request of the UN Secretary-General's Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, we provided assistance concerning an initiative of his office to mobilize religious leaders to combat incitement to atrocity crimes. Our representative moderated and participated in an expert workshop convened by the Special Adviser with religious leaders and faith-based organizations in North America and Latin America to combat religious intolerance. Our representative spoke to chairpersons of UN human rights treaty bodies at their meeting in

New York in May 2013, urging the strengthening of these mechanisms. In 2014, we convened a meeting that introduced 20 experts on freedom of expression to the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression. In 2015, at her request, we convened a consultation with the Special Rapporteur on Cultural Rights to discuss the destruction of cultural heritage by non-state actors and its relationship to cultural rights.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

As detailed above, we have particularly worked to advance MDG3/SDG5 and SDG 16. In accordance with MDG7/SDG11, AJC continued to urge adoption of policies with expanded alternative energy options. Encouraging environmental sustainability, we continued to update our offices with energy-saving technology and appliances, receiving the United States Green Building Council LEED gold certification annually.

9. American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

The American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit, Inc. (the “Society”) is a charitable organization founded in 1965.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Society maintains fraternal relations with Italy and provides economic and social beneficence to the needy through educational, charitable and humanitarian undertakings primarily in the United States and Italy. The Society sponsors ongoing educational lectures and symposia on, as well as provides material assistance vis-à-vis, the appreciation of heritage, the maintenance of cultural patrimony and the preservation of legacy. It collaborates and assists by way of moral identification and the granting of direct financial aid.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Through member briefings, events and its newsletter *Il Cavaliere*, the Society has worked to educate its membership about the United Nations and create a greater understanding within its membership of United Nations-recognized practices for achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Between 2013 and 2016, the Society’s activities had a particular focus on the provision of humanitarian assistance to the needy, the eradication of poverty and of disease.

The Society’s goals are closely aligned with those of the Council and the United Nations at large, and the Society intends to enhance its contribution to furthering the United Nations agenda.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Society did not participate in the work of United Nations bodies or specialized agencies during the reporting period because it focused its activities on advocacy and awareness raising, as well as the granting of direct financial aid in partnership with governmental, educational and local organizations in Italy and the United States.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

During the reporting period, the Society focused on issues that are closely tied to the success of the Millennium Development Goals through educational, charitable and humanitarian undertakings. Among other initiatives, the Society supported:

- American Italian Cancer Foundation (researching cures for cancer)
- Cooleys Anemia Foundation (eradicating Thalassemia)
- Friends of San Patrignano (combating substance abuse)
- Immigration History Research Center (preserving ethnic histories)
- Italian Welfare League (alleviating physical/emotional illness in children)
- La Guardia Foundation (promoting sustainable development programs)
- Sister Cities International (creating global partnerships)
- University of California (expanding its Birth Defects research library)

In addition, as described in Field 4 above, the Society's newsletter *Il Cavaliere* acts as a medium for updating Society members and international colleagues on international concerns and United Nations activities.

10. Amuta for NGO Responsibility

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Amuta for NGO Responsibility was founded with the objectives of producing and distributing critical analysis and reports on transparency, accountability and good governance in relation to the role of civil society in government and international legal frameworks. Our work is for the benefit of government policy makers, journalists, philanthropic organizations and the general public.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aims and purposes of the organization is to promote enhanced accountability and transparency in international policy frameworks and humanitarian aid. It is hoped that an increase in accountability and transparency will lead to decreased conflict and violence, reduce discrimination, and lead to more effective policy making and aid delivery. To achieve these aims we publish policy and research papers, analysis pieces, speak to parliaments around the world, meet with government and international organization officials, present at conferences, and write academic articles.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization changed its name from the Amuta for NGO Responsibility to the Institute for NGO Research. The change was approved by the Israeli register for non-profits on 16 August 2016.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Our work focuses on promoting good governance and rule of law primarily through increased transparency and accountability. We also focus on effectiveness of aid delivery and how it can reduce discrimination, gender inequality, conflict, and violence. We provide information, policy guidelines, develop databases, and research, submissions to governmental bodies and international frameworks, on how governments, international bodies, and aid organizations can adopt good governance policies, can increase transparency, adopt best practices for

accountability mechanisms, and improve effectiveness in aid delivery, reporting practices, and operations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Meeting participation includes:

Attendance at Human Rights Council sessions March 2014, 2015, 2017, June 2015, and September 2016. During those Council sessions, the organization made over 10 oral statements. From 2013 until present, the organization contributed more than 15 written submissions. We also held five side events during these Council sessions.

In November 2014, we held an event in conjunction with the United Nations Library in Geneva, Switzerland, to present best practices for fact finding in armed conflict and human rights investigations.

In March 2014, we submitted a research paper on the Rights of Women in the Middle East to the Commission on the Status of Women.

Proposal in 2015 for session at the Business and Human Rights Forum.

March 2016, submission to the Committee Against Torture in advance of review of Israel.

December 2016, We provided a report for List of Issues in advance of Netherlands review by the Human Rights Committee.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Cooperation with United Nations bodies, includes:

June 2014 submission to Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights for Study of Domestic Law Remedies for Corporate Involvement in Gross Human Rights Abuses and a meeting with the official in charge of the report.

Submission to 2015 Commission of Inquiry on the Gaza Conflict and a meeting with the Commission in March 2015.

January 2016 submission on preparation of a database relating to business in Israeli settlements; meetings with Middle East desk at the Office of the High Commissioner and Business and Human Rights Working Group.

Submission to Special Rapporteur on Palestine in June 2015.

May 2015 Submission to Secretary General on Children in Armed Conflict.

May 2015 Submission to Secretary General on the Elimination of Racism.

May 2016 Submission to Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights on Civil Society Space.

Meetings between July 2013 to present with more than a dozen Office of the High Commissioner officials to find areas of cooperation, improved reporting, transparency.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization has taken initiatives on Millennium Development Goals 3, 4, and 8 and Sustainable Development Goals 3, 6, and 16. These include reporting on women's rights in the Middle East, reporting on children in armed conflict, use of water policy to decrease conflict. Improving rule based trading system access to remedies; promoting benefits of new technologies by writing on how social media can be used for human rights monitoring and reporting; best practices to make aid delivery more transparent and effective. Extensive writing and policy guidance to governmental and international institutions on due process, increased transparency on fact-finding, appointments, and reporting processes; promotion of greater transparency, freedom of information in Israel, Europe, North America, and Australia.

11. Arab African American Womens' Leadership Council Inc.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Arab African American Women's Leadership Council (AAAWLC), a 501(c)3 organization, proudly accredited Economic and Social Council in 2013 and by United Nations Global Compact 2015. MENA region on roadmap to democracy carefully watching women's global empowerment.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Arab African American Women's Leadership Council was created to promote and unite women regardless of race or religion, therefore to contribute to the establishment of a peaceful world. The organization focuses on leadership qualities in the youth of today, which plays a crucial role in shaping a better tomorrow. Our main actions consist of organizing events and activities, encouraging women to participate, and thus offering them opportunities to empower economically.

Significant changes in the organization

Arab African American Women Leadership Council proudly received the United Nations Global Compact's accreditation in 2015. Besides obtaining this major asset, researches and lectures have taken place to empower women and girls.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Equality, women's empowerment are main concerns and priorities. CSW58-59-60s were perfect occasion for its members to attend, meet new fellow partners, develop new project ideas and even eventual partnerships, and foster their knowledge and awareness on current issues.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization follows the Economic and Social Council's newsletter. This accreditation gave us great opportunities to attend conferences on Climate Change, Sustainable

Development goals, women's empowerment, social justice, decent work. AAWLC was also invited to attend preparation meetings on the 50th session on Population Development.

United Nations HQ in New York, United States, 2013

51st Session of the Commission for Social Development on February 6-15, 2013 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW57) on March 04-15, 2013 2013 Resumed Session, Committee on NGOs on May 20-29, 2013 12th Session of the permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on May 20-31, 2013 International Migration and Development: High-Level Dialogue (3-4 Oct 2013) and Informal Interactive Hearings (15 July 2013) on July 15, 2013 Sixth Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, July 17-19, 2013 Commission on Sustainable Development, 20th Session on September 20, 2013 High-Level Meeting of the General Assembly on Disability and Development on September 23, 2013 2014

52nd Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD) on Feb 11-21, 2013 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW58) on March 10-21, 2014

13th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on May 12-23, 2014 Seventh Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on June 10-12, 2014 Fifth Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing 30 July - 01 August, 2014 2014 International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3, 2014 2015

53rd Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD53) on February 04-13 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW59) on March 09-20 14th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on April 20 - May 01 Eighth Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on Jun 09 - 11 Sixth Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing on Jul. 14-16 2016 2016 Regular Session, Committee on NGOs on Jan 25 - Feb 03 54th Session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD54) on February 03-12, 2016 60th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women on March 16-24 at United Nations Headquarter, New York 15th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on May 09-20, 2016 Ninth Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of persons with Disabilities on June 14-16, 2016 Global Sustainable Transport Conference on Nov 26-27 Seventh Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing on Dec. 12-15.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Arab African American Women Leadership Council have been active not only in writing statements on different topics such as Empowering Women through economic opportunities, Climate Change and Human Rights, but also in attending many or most of the conferences on indigenous people, gender equality, women's empowerment and sustainable development goals.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization contributed to Sustainable Development Goal 5, offering side-events supporting the Commission on the Status of Women. Twenty two Tunisian women Entrepreneurs hosted at the CSW 60 with B2B, artisan fair vendor, exhibitions UNHQ to empower them economically.

12. Arab Mexican Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Civil Association

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

The Arab Mexican Chamber of Industry and Commerce started activities in 1997. It is a nonprofit organization specialized on trade and sustainable economic development that benefits business communities in the Arab countries and Mexico. For the last 20 years, it has been among the main actors promoting trade diversification towards new markets.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Chamber has become the main link between Mexican and Arab businessmen, having as main objective to boost economic and trade ties, as well as promoting knowledge and technology exchange for developing key sectors such as energy, education, sustainability, and agro industry. The Chamber has established tasks such as development of business and markets intelligence, promotion of business opportunities, conferences and seminars. In order to enhance the importance of free trade, the Chamber promotes signing agreements with Arab business associations, as well as being a main link between Mexican and Arab private and public sector.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Chamber understands the importance and the role of the UN and the ECOSOC and its bodies in promoting development, particularly with respect to the access and transfer of knowledge and technology, to support in this realm, the Chamber offers customized information, trade statistics and counsel on all matters concerned to trade between Mexico and the Arab Countries, focusing on small and medium companies, which are the basis of the economy. The Chamber support the strengthen of the cooperation links with Mexican industries on economic and social issues, mainly in the ones referred to the industrial and trade development.

The Chamber has been active for 20 years, in which total trade between Mexico and Arab countries has increased nearly 376%, exports 315% and imports 258%. The Chamber believes that by providing clear and useful information through seminars and reports, companies have seen real opportunities in the region. Specifically, for the years for the report, 2013-2016, trade had a decrease of 39%, with both exports and imports showing slightly losses for the period. This comes as a result of economic crisis that have affected both regions and the fall of oil prices. Nevertheless, the Chamber has been witness of businessmen's interest on learning more about the market.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization did not participate in the work of the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies, in major conferences or other United Nations meetings during the reporting period because the Chamber did not count with the necessary funds to afford the attendance of these meeting, the Chamber focused its activities on the organization and participation of different events to promote the relations between both regions.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Chamber believes that one of the main purposes of business organizations is to provide tools, information and full support for companies to grow, create well paid jobs and built strong relations between businessmen and nations. The Chamber has worked closely with Mexican producers of agro food so they can find new markets for their products. As well, the Chamber explores new business opportunities that will broad the scope of business opportunities such as renewable energies, organic products, and textiles. The Chamber promotes business partnership for development in order to achieve better living conditions for Arab and Mexican societies.

Additional Information

The Chamber has worked along with governmental entities promoting the participation of the

society in topics such as entering new markets, exploring business opportunities and proposing ways for a more sustainable and long term development. The Chamber has built a strong network for businessmen, specially for small and medium enterprises.

13. Asia-Pacific Human Rights Information Center

(Special; 2009)

Introduction

Asia-Pacific Human Rights Information Center (Center) is a non-profit general incorporated foundation, working at the local, national and regional levels.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Center aims to engender popular understanding on the international human rights standards in Japan and Asia-Pacific region, in cooperation with national and regional institutions as well as the United Nations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Center has been promoting the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (A/HRC/17/31) by translating its full text into Japanese since 2012.

The Center translated “Civil Society Space and the UN Human Rights System - A Practical Guide for Civil Society” into Japanese in October 2016, upon request of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

The Center organized a series of seminars on issues related to international human rights treaties and the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the UN Global Compact.

The Center accepted the visit of Signe Poulsen, Representative of OHCHR Seoul Office on 12 November 2015 and Marzuki Darusman, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on 21 January 2016, and provided them with relevant information.

The Center included the evaluation reports of United Nations Democracy Fund, such as UNDEF 4th Round Project: “Protect the Environmental Rights and Justice of the Public” in its publication “Human Rights Education in Asia-Pacific Volume 6” (2015).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The President of the Center participated in UN Forum on Business and Human Rights in 2015 and 2016.

The researchers of the Center participated in the Human Rights Committee (CCPR) 111 session (July 2014), the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) 85 session (August 2014) and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) 63 session (February 2016), when the Committees examined the reports of Japan.

The researcher of the Center attended the International Conference on Global Citizenship Education-Platform on Pedagogy and Practice, organized by Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding and UNESCO in Seoul on October 2016.

The Center joined in the Oral Joint Statement of the NGO Working Group on Human Rights Education and Learning, on the promotion of the Third Phase of the World Programme for Human Rights Education and the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training, during the UN Human Rights Council 24, 25, 27, 28, 31 and 34 session .

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Center has promoted Millennium Development Goals and Sustainable Development Goals in its Japanese publications entitled “Corporate Social Responsibilities Guidebook”, published in 2014 and 2016 respectively.

14. Asociacion Gilberto Ac

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The organization was created after the Hurricane Gilberto created havoc in the states of Yucatán, Campeche, Quintana Roo, Tabasco, Tamaulipas, Nuevo León and Coahuila in Mexico in 1988.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Promote, encourage, sponsor and conduct all kinds of activities to meet natural disaster and permanent needs of the poor population in the construction, reconstruction and improvement of housing, training work, education, health and community development to satisfy the people with socioeconomic disadvantage or who, because of disability, are prevented to meet their basic requirements of subsistence and development, construction of shelters, among others.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Construction of 36,725 homes for 182,749 people. Construction of 754 schools for 216,810 students. 35,700 new jobs for 242,400 workers. 20,429 health consultations for more than 1 million and 658,900 people. 6 dentists consultations for 12,500 people. 25 new parks for 182,000 people. 48 new shelters for natural disasters for 612,056 people. 3,455 educational programs such as alphabetization, English, personal development and teacher's update for 160,300 people. 611 ecological education courses for 223,500 people. 2 million 512,500 people who were victims of natural disasters, where helped through financial support. 837 community service programs such as water and resources management for 2 million 576,383 people. 107 technological programs for schools for 424,000 students. 600 workshops and training for 2 million 112,949 workers. 60 agriculture training for 4,949 people.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

2013: 20 representatives attended the Commission on the Status of Women in New York, United States, from 4 to 15 March and sponsored one parallel event.

2014: 20 representatives attended the Commission on the Status of Women in New York from 10 to 21 March and sponsored one parallel event.

2015: 20 representatives attended the Commission on the Status of Women in New York from 9 to 20 March and one parallel event.

2016: 20 representatives attended the Commission on the Status of Women in New York from 14 to 24 March 2016 and one parallel event.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Representatives attend every year the Commission on the Status of Women of ECOSOC to cooperate with women's agenda.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

1. To eradicate extreme poverty and hunger: The implementation of the program of construction of homes for marginalized communities and the Project "Pisando Firme" which consists of putting concrete firm in rural homes to avoid unsanitary conditions.

2. To achieve universal primary education: We are supporting the rehabilitation and rebuild of the "Ignacio Allende" Primary School, a rural school in which the same association collaborated years ago. Also, The "Francisco Javier Mina Larrea Elementary School" was built with the participation of the government of Chiapas and the support of Asociación Gilberto A.C.

3. To promote gender equality and empower women: Women's training program in rural communities with 83 new women trained in the production and manufacture of embroidered and woven accessories and garments to promote their economic empowerment.

15. Center for Reproductive Rights, Inc., The

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) is a human rights organization that uses the law to advance reproductive freedom as a fundamental human right that all governments are legally obligated to protect, respect, and fulfill. Using international human rights law to advance the reproductive freedom of women, the Center has strengthened reproductive health laws and policies globally by working with more than 100 organizations in 45 nations including countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Aims and purposes of the organization

We envision a world where every woman is free to decide whether and when to have children, has access to the best reproductive healthcare available, and can exercise her choices without coercion or discrimination.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2013, the Center opened a regional office in Europe (Geneva, Switzerland).

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Center for Reproductive Rights regularly submits shadow letters to UN treaty-monitoring bodies, supplementing the periodic reports of governments and thereby playing an essential role in providing a credible and reliable independent source of information. During the 2013-2016 reporting period, the Center submitted shadow letters to the ESCR Committee, CEDAW Committee, CAT, CRC, and HRC. These shadow letters address a range of issues related to sexual and reproductive rights in countries across the globe including Bangladesh, India, Malawi, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Russia, Rwanda, and Slovakia. Additionally, the Center for Reproductive Rights, in conjunction with local partner organizations, received Views from the Human Rights Committee on one individual petition: Amanda Mellet v. Ireland (CCPR/C/116/D/2324/2013).

The Center provided treaty monitoring bodies input regarding proposed general recommendations and comments through written submissions and participation in thematic consultations. For example, from 2010 – 2016 the Center provided input and supported the development of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights' General Comment 22 on the Right to Sexual and Reproductive Health. From 2013 – 2016 the Center continued to significantly engage with the Human Rights Council, supporting a number of resolutions on issues such as maternal mortality and morbidity and child early and forced marriage, and engaging in the Universal Periodic Review process.

The Center also engaged with Special Rapporteurs, including the Special Rapporteurs on the right to health, violence against women, cultural rights and the working group on discrimination against women in law and practice. In 2015 and 2016, the Center, with partner NGOs, organized convenings with the Special Rapporteur on the Right to Health focusing on adolescents' right to sexual and reproductive health, and mental health (New York, United States, October 2015 and 2016). Subsequently, the Center provided several submissions for the Special Rapporteur's two reports on adolescent and mental health.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

From 2013-2016, the Center actively engaged with the Human Rights Council and submitted several oral statements on issues such as violence against women, preventable maternal mortality, child early and forced marriage, and adolescents' right to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services. During the 30th regular session of the Human Rights Council in 2015, the Center hosted a side event entitled 'Seeking Justice: the Human Rights Council and Women and Girls affected by conflict' (Geneva, September 2015). During the 60th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women in March 2016, the Center was part of a panel for a side event on accountability for the Sustainable Developments Goals (New York, March 2016).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In June 2013, the Center for Reproductive Rights co-published with UNFPA 'ICPD and Human Rights: 20 years of advancing reproductive rights through UN treaty bodies and legal reform'. The Center is also a member of the Policy and Coordination Committee for the World

Health Organization's Human Reproduction Programme. In addition to this, the Center has a history of working with the OHCHR to provide input for their reports on the implementation of several Human Rights Council resolutions on issues such as preventable maternal mortality and child early and forced marriage.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Center partnered with a coalition of NGOs to continue to promote a human-rights based approach to the post-2015 goals and advocate for strong accountability mechanisms for the SDGs. The Center also contributed to the work of the Expert Group on SDG indicators.