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Australia: Amendments to Preamble and article 23 of  
the draft Declaration (E/800)

Preamble:

Amend second paragraph to read:

"WHEREAS disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind and have made apparent the supreme importance of the recognition and guarantee of fundamental freedoms".

Amend fifth paragraph to read:

"WHEREAS Member States have pledged themselves to promote, in co-operation with the Organization, universal respect for the observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms".

Article 23, paragraph 1

For the second sentence substitute the following:

"Everyone is entitled to free elementary and fundamental education and to equal access on the basis of merit to higher education".

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