

**Meeting of the States Parties to the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education
(Paris, 7 and 8 October 2003)**

Record

1. The States Parties to the Protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education elected by acclamation Mr Pierre Michel Eisemann (France), Chairperson, Ms Carmelita P. Yadao (Philippines), Vice-Chairperson, and Mr Luis María Sobrón (Argentina), Rapporteur. The list of participants and the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Meeting are appended as Annex 1 and Annex 2 respectively.

2. After examining the document prepared by the Secretariat, the States Parties, aware of the need to maintain the existence of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission, decided to interpret specific articles of the Protocol to enable the Commission to fulfil its functions:

Article 3, paragraph 2:

These provisions should be applied flexibly to permit States Parties to submit nominations up to the eve of the day on which the General Conference elects the members of the Commission.

Article 7:

This Article should be applied in such a way that members of the Commission who have not been replaced at the end of their term of office will continue to be regarded as members until the next election.

When inviting States Parties to submit nominations, the Director-General will remind them of the provisions of Article 7. He will invite the States Parties to specify the vacant seat for which they are submitting the nomination. If there has been no election to a seat, the outgoing member of the Commission shall remain in office until the following election, except in the event of death, resignation or incapacity as provided in Article 6.

Article 11:

The election of the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Commission may be conducted by correspondence.

Article 19:

In the absence of any activity on its part, the Commission will not be required to submit a report to the General Conference.

3. This record will be transmitted to all States Parties to the Protocol.

(Signature in French version)

Mr Pierre Michel Eisemann
Chairperson of the Meeting