

78.16 Freedom of Movement and Ideas (1977)

Whereas, The International Convention on Civil and Political Rights, which was adopted by the United Nations General

Assembly on December 16, 1966, states (Part III, Art. 12):

1. Everyone lawfully within the territory of a State shall within that territory have the right to liberty of movement and freedom to change his residence;

2. Everyone shall be free to leave any country, including his own;

3. No one shall be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

4. No one shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his privacy, family or home or correspondence,

nor attack upon his honour or reputation. Everyone has the right to protection of the law against interference or attacks; and,

Whereas, The 'Final Act' Agreement on the Conference and Cooperation in Europe, which took place in Helsinki, Finland,

in 1975 recognizes freedom of emigration and assured a humanitarian way to unify separated families; therefore

be it,

RESOLVED, That the National Council of Women of Canada request the International Council of Women to urge their member

Councils to make representation to their national governments to press internationally for the carrying out of the

provisions in Articles 5, 12 and 13 of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights.