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Item: Human Rights / Data Collection and Disaggregation

The Pacific Indigenous Caucus in Brisbane (April 26-28, 2005) and in New York have given due consideration to the issues under the topic of Data Collection and disaggregation:

Supporting the Permanent Forum's existing recommendations to Ecosoc regarding data collection and Disaggregation;

Expecting that the UN and Ecosoc will implement these existing 24 recommendations and, in particular, emphasise the importance of the development of international collection and disaggregation standards for Indigenous Peoples, partnerships with Indigenous Peoples in data collection and disaggregation practices, and capacity-building of Indigenous Peoples in data collection and disaggregation

Recommend that the Permanent Forum -

1. **ensure** data regarding Indigenous Peoples is easily and readily accessible by the Indigenous Peoples concerned, and at no cost to them;
2. **request** the World Bank and other relevant information holders to ensure Indigenous Peoples have access to data on them;
3. **ensure** the UN makes better progress on a regional audit of data collection points within the Pacific region (UNPFii Recommendation #24);
4. **assist** and monitor the mapping of the best practice methods of data collection and disaggregation in the Pacific region;
5. **facilitate** and hasten the UN Workshops in the Pacific region with the Indigenous Peoples regarding appropriate data collection and disaggregation methodologies (UNPFii Recommendation #23);

And finally recommend that the Permanent Forum

6. **Request** States report on what data has been collected or disaggregated, relevant to Indigenous Peoples in the Pacific region.

Thank you,

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