

**3.4 Madagascar: Commission Nationale des Droits de l'Homme de Madagascar**

**Recommendation:** The Sub-Committee recommends that the Commission be accredited **status C** on the basis that the information provided by the Commission does not change the previous decision taken by the ICC at its April 2006 session.

**3.5 Northern Ireland (UK): Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission**

**Recommendation:** After reviewing the application, the Sub-Committee considers that the Northern Ireland Commission is established and functions in accordance with the requirements described in the Paris Principles but recommends that the ICC defines the term 'national' for the purposes of determining the accreditation status.

**3.6 Puerto Rico: Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Ombudsman**

**Recommendation:** The Sub-Committee determined that not all documents submitted by the Ombudsman were before it. The Sub-Committee was therefore unable to assess whether the establishment and functioning of the Ombudsman is in accordance with the requirements described in the Paris Principles. The Sub-Committee recommends that the ICC defines the term 'national' for the purposes of determining the accreditation status of the Ombudsman.

**3.7 Qatar: National Human Rights Committee of Qatar**

**Recommendation:** The Sub-Committee recommends that the Committee be accredited **status B**. In this regard, the Sub-Committee notes the following:

- a) The amended Decree Law and the By-Laws of the Committee were not provided in the application;
- b) Under article 6 of the Committee's enabling legislation, government department representatives appointed as Committee members under article 3 are entitled to a vote and may form a majority of the Committee, both of which are contrary to the Paris Principles;
- c) It is not clear that the Paris Principle requiring adequate funding by the State is met; and
- d) The Sub-Committee refers to the need to ensure pluralism in the selection and appointment process of Committee members, particularly in relation to the civil society members.

**3.8 Tanzania: Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance**

**Recommendation:** The Sub-Committee recommends that the Commission be accredited **status A**. The Sub-Committee notes that the constitutional power of the President to issue directives to the Commission on issues of national interest under article 130(3) of the Constitution has not been invoked but suggests that consideration be given to limiting the scope of this power as prescribed by the law.