

Interpretative Statement on Article 1§2

As far as Article 1§2 (right to earn one's living in an occupation freely entered upon) is concerned, a provision which has not been amended in the revised Charter, the Committee developed its case law as follows :

- first, it holds that most of the requirements for compliance with Article 1§2 as regards the prohibition of discrimination on the ground of sex apply to any ground of discrimination ;
- secondly, it will henceforth systematically examine the length of civilian service, the loss of unemployment benefits for refusal to take up employment and the consequences of part-time work. These questions are gathered under a new heading "Other aspects of the right to earn one's living in an occupation freely entered upon".