Handout 2

ARTICLES OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

1: Everyone is free and we should all be treated in the same way.

2: Everyone is equal despite differences in skin colour, gender, religion, language, for example.

3: Everyone has the right to life and to live in freedom and safety.

4: No one has the right to treat you as a slave, nor should you make anyone your slave.

5: No one has the right to torture you or subject you to cruel and degrading treatment.

6: Everyone has the right to be treated equally by the law.

7: The law is the same for everyone; it should be applied in the same way to all.

8: Everyone has the right to ask for legal help when their rights are not respected.

9: No one has the right to imprison you unjustly or expel you from your own country.

10: Everyone has the right to a fair and public trial.

11: Everyone should be considered innocent until guilt is proved.

12: No one can enter your home, open your letters, or bother you or your family without a good reason.

13: Everyone has the right to travel where they wish.

14: Everyone has the right to go to another country and ask for protection if they are being persecuted or are in danger of being persecuted.

15: Everyone has the right to belong to a country. No one has the right to prevent you from belonging to another country if you wish to.

16: Everyone has the right to marry and have a family.

17: Everyone has the right to own property and possessions.

18: Everyone has the right to practise and observe all aspects of their own religion and change their religion if they want to.

19: Everyone has the right to say what they think and to give and receive information.

20: Everyone has the right to take part in meetings and to join associations in a peaceful way.

21: Everyone has the right to help choose and take part in the government of their country.

22: Everyone has the right to social security and to opportunities to develop their skills.

23: Everyone has the right to work for a fair wage in a safe environment and to join a trade union.

24: Everyone has the right to rest and leisure.

25: Everyone has the right to an adequate standard of living and medical help if they are ill.

26: Everyone has the right to an education.

27: Everyone has the right to participate in their community's cultural life.

28: Everyone is entitled to a social and international 'order' that is necessary for all these rights to be made real.

29: Everyone must respect the rights of others, the community and public property.

30: No one has the right to take away any of the rights in this declaration.