**Oral statement – Centre Europe tiers monde (CETIM)**

**Friday 30th morning**

**Article 16-24**

**Speaker : Raffaele Morgantini**

Thank you Mr. Chair,

I would like to comment article 23 of the second revised draft : Denunciation.

It is not usual to include a denunciation clause in a human rights treaty. Indeed, this is not a patent or a trade agreement that is necessarily limited in time. As the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights says so well, "human rights are timeless and are the expression of the fundamental prerogatives of the human person. »

In our opinion, article 23 is not relevant, especially since article 21 gives the States parties the possibility to amend the treaty in question in accordance with developments in the years to come.

For this reason, we propose the deletion of article 23.

Thank you Mr.Chair.