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Prioritize the elimination of systemic racism and discrimination

We recommend that the provincial government and municipal governments across Nova Scotia take clear action to realize Article 2 of the *United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child* regarding the right to be protected from discrimination and to ensure that all child rights are respected regardless of race; colour; sex; language; religion; national, ethnic or social origin; disability; or other status.³

Action 5

Provide positions of leadership to individuals from communities that have historically faced systemic racism and discrimination. Develop provincial action plans for eliminating systemic racism and discrimination in direct consultation and collaboration with these leaders and communities.

Action 6

Ensure the rights and actions outlined in international law and previous national and provincial inquiries and consultations are acted on, including:

- Implementing the full breadth of rights outlined in the United Nations *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*.³¹
- Implementing the full breadth of rights outlined in the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities*.³²
- Implementing Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action with clear accountability and public reporting on progress.³³
- Implementing the calls to justice of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls with clear accountability and public reporting on progress.³⁴
- Implementing the recommendations in the Spirit Bear Plan with clear accountability and public reporting on progress made.³⁵
- Implementing the key actions outlined in the report from the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children Restorative Inquiry with clear accountability and public reporting on progress.³⁶
- Implement the priorities of groups including the African Nova Scotian Decade for People of African Descent Coalition.³⁷