

****Universal Declaration against Incest****

****Preamble****

Recognizing the inherent dignity and equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family,

Considering that the family is the natural and fundamental group unit of society and is entitled to protection by society and the State,

Concerned that incest is a harmful practice that can have devastating consequences for individuals, families, and communities,

Recognizing that incest is often associated with other forms of violence and abuse,

****Article 1****

Incest is a sexual relationship between close relatives, such as siblings, parents and children, or grandparents and grandchildren.

****Article 2****

Incest is a violation of the right to privacy and the right to be free from violence and abuse.

****Article 3****

No one shall be subjected to incest.

****Article 4****

Consent to incest is not valid.

****Article 5****

Incest is a crime.

****Article 6****

States have a duty to protect and promote the right to be free from incest through laws, policies, and education programs.

****Article 7****

This Declaration shall be translated into all languages and made widely available to all people.

****Article 8****

This Declaration shall be disseminated and promoted through all appropriate means, including education, public awareness campaigns, and training for law enforcement and other relevant professionals.