

+ Recommend that Dominican institutions, schools, motherhouses/provincials offer meeting space for immigrants.

+ Make immigrant referrals to Catholic Charities as needed.

+ Promote the Catholic Campaign Immigration Reform launched by USCCB in May 2005.

#### MIDDLE EAST – IRAQ

The Dominican UN representatives will:

- + Continue to work with key UN personnel in New York/Geneva and other internationals NGOs, member delegations and independent experts of the UN Sub-commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and UN Special Rapporteurs.
- + Continue to provide oral and written statements to the UN Commission on Human Rights in Geneva.

The Iraq Coordinating Committee will:

- + Create a communication plan to include justice promoters, communicators and preachers.
- + Submit a written report at the North American Dominican Justice Promoters Meeting.

#### **ISRAEL/PALESTINE**

To join a working group: contact Eileen Gannon, OP, at egannon@verizon.net.

We will:

- + Read A Primer: Understanding the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict by Phyllis Bennis. To order, e-mail triprimer@yahoo.com.
- + Continue to support the Palestinian Solidarity Project.

## BECOME MORE PUBLIC

We will:

- + Use the online magazine "DomLife" and the Dominican Leadership Conference.
- + Use congregation/province web sites to promote actions and statements.





Care of creation is the context out of which flows all that we do as Dominican Justice Promoters.

As Dominicans we:

- challenge the systems that dominate and oppress our world;
- preach truth that liberates all;
- study the interrelatedness of all;
- pray to sustain hope;
- encourage a life style that fosters equitable and mutually enhancing life for Earth community.

We recognize and rejoice in the 2004-05 Dominican Call to Action accomplishments.

We present the 2005-06 Call to Action for your implementation.

## AFRICA

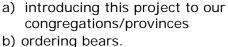
We reaffirm our solidarity with the Dominican family in Africa.

We will:



+ Collaborate with the Dominican Alliance Africa.

Encourage participation and support of the Dominican Alliance Care Bear Project for an HIV/AIDS clinic in Africa by:



+ Read and promote A Call to Solidarity with Africa, USCCB, November 2001.



- + Promote the Millennium Challenge Account to relieve the African food crisis, debt and global health issues. Contact: Eileen Gannon, OP, egannon@verizon.net.
- + Urge congregations/provinces to make alternative investments through an international intermediary such as Shared Interest.

 Continue to encourage congregations/provinces to be involved in shareholder advocacy regarding HIV/AIDS and with pharmaceutical companies.

# COLOMBIA

We reaffirm our solidarity with the people of Columbia.

Contact: Marta Inés Toro, OP, 401-728-8490 or mitoro@netscape.net

We will:



- Continue to raise awareness of human rights abuses in Colombia.
- + Connect Colombia with congregation/province corporate responsibility work.
  - Continue to be involved in the SOA Watch annual demonstration and legislative reform.

### HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

We will establish and implement a Dominican Trafficking Network.

Co-Conveners: Reg McKillip, OP, 708-714-9124 or opjustice@aol.com Judith Hilbing, OP, 708-714-9050 or jhilbing@aol.com

We will:

Educate

- + Gather resources for the Dominican family.
- + Develop and encourage educational workshops on trafficking at the local level.

Advocate

- + Provide workshops and information wherever Dominicans reside for local police, health and legal agencies.
- + Work to create and pass state legislation on trafficking.

#### Network

- + Create network with Dominican Sisters International and International Justice, Peace and Care of Creation Commission.
- + Connect with national and international organizations, e.g. Stop Trafficking, Anti-Slavery, Center Against Violence and Human Trafficking.

# IMMIGRATION

We will establish and implement a Dominican Immigration Committee.

Convener: Pat De Marco, OP, dempa01@hotmail.com

We will:

+ Support and promote McCain-Kennedy Legislation, SB 1033 and HB 2330.



- + Create a fact sheet on McCain-Kennedy legislation by January 2006.
- + Create fact sheet on the "No Child Left Behind Act" on military presence in schools by March 2006.

