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## Full Text

The Permanent Forum recommends that States take effective measures to halt land alienation in indigenous territories, for example, through a moratorium on the sale and registration of land, including the granting of land and other concessions in areas occupied by indigenous peoples, and also to assist indigenous communities, where appropriate, to register as legal entities.

## Comments

Article 119 of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela recognizes the existence of indigenous peoples and communities, their social, political and economic organization, their cultures, habits and customs, languages and religions, as well as their habitat and rights as the original occupants of their ancestral and traditional lands, and that those lands are necessary to develop and safeguard their way of life.

## Area of Work

Human rights, Economic and Social Development