



## **Canada**

### **Article 16 - Everyone has the right to marry and have a family**

In 2005 the Canadian Parliament legalized same sex marriages across the country. This legislative change gave couples the right to the necessary support structures if their relationship ended in a separation regardless of the gender make-up of the relationship.

### **Article 2 - Everyone has equal rights regardless of differences between people**

In Canada, indigenous (Inuit) peoples are generally living in situations of extreme poverty and marginalization. Canada refused to address the disparity in funding for indigenous child protection agencies. The country also voted against the adoption of the UN Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples and subsequently argued that the Declaration did not apply to it.