

## Cayman Islands **Human Rights Commission**

promoting, protecting and preserving human rights

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Your Excellency.

The Human Rights Commission (HRC) is aware that there has been a lot of discussion surrounding the Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in the past few months.

The HRC, as did the Government, participated in the CEDAW Conference that was held in Anguilla in October 2010 and since then we have been discussing in detail the aspects of the Convention. We are particularly interested in assessing how signing up to the Convention would affect the Cayman Islands as

At this time we would like to make an inquiry as to what is the Government's position on signing up to CEDAW and whether there is a time frame in which the decision must be made, if it has not already been made. Any other information you could provide us on this topic would be greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,

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Honourable Premier

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