

Austrian Government Response

April 8, 2008

Dear Mr Fink,

On behalf of Ambassador Rendi let me give you a preliminary and short answer to your question:

There has not been any funding for Austrian or international NGOs at the Durban I Conference in 2001, apart from including a few representatives as part of the Austrian delegation. Thus, the question of the behaviour of the grant recipients did not need to be addressed.

In the same vain, for Durban II in 2009 it is not planned to support the participation of NGOs financially.

Best regards

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