

New UN Convention on Disability Rights

In an astonishing reversal of the trend towards Nazi medical ethics in Western countries, especially in British judge-made law, the new draft United Nations convention on the rights of persons with disabilities reasserts the rights laid down in 1947: bodily integrity, freedom from forced sterilization and experimentation without informed consent, and the right to health care equivalent to that given to persons without disability, including food and fluid. It will reach the General Assembly in early December.

This time round, prospective victims have been warned, it seems.