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Grassby AJ. Health care in the multi-cultural society. In: Walpole R, ed. Rural health. Proceedings of the Rural Health Conference of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners; 1978 Sept 12-15; Melbourne. Melbourne: The Royal Australian College of Practitioners, 1979:49–50.

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UNSCEAR 2008 Report. Volume I. Annex A. Available at: [www.unscear.org/docs/reports/2008/09-86753\\_Report\\_2008\\_Annex\\_A.pdf](http://www.unscear.org/docs/reports/2008/09-86753_Report_2008_Annex_A.pdf) (accessed 22 November 2015).

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at: [www.unece.org/docs/reports/1958,%2013th%20session%20\(Suppl.%20No.17\)/1958final-2\\_unece.pdf](http://www.unece.org/docs/reports/1958,%2013th%20session%20(Suppl.%20No.17)/1958final-2_unece.pdf) (accessed 22 November 2015).

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at: <http://www.b.dk/upload/webred/bmsandbox/uploads/2012/03/bb81a28663015b7a1d828ee723de7a26.pdf> (accessed 1st August 2012).

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at: [http://www.esur.org/fileadmin/NSF/NSF\\_Referral-EC\\_Decision-Annexes-en\\_Ju...](http://www.esur.org/fileadmin/NSF/NSF_Referral-EC_Decision-Annexes-en_Ju...) (accessed August 2012).

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