

(The very preliminary analyses offered in this report do not encompass consideration of regulations requiring overhaul.) Second, all antidiscrimination statutes should be canvassed so that sex may be added to the catalogue in instances where it is not now included. Third, Congress and the President should direct their attention to the concept that pervades the Code: that the adult world is (and should be) divided into two classes--independent men, whose primary responsibility is to win bread for a family and dependent women, whose primary responsibility is to care for children and household. This concept must be eliminated from the Code if it is to reflect the equality principle.

Underlying the recommendations made in this report is the fundamental point that allocation of responsibilities within the family is a matter properly determined solely by the individuals involved. Government should not steer individual decisions concerning household or breadwinning roles by casting the law's weight on the side of (or against) a particular method of ordering private relationships. Rather, a policy of strict neutrality should be pursued. That policy should accommodate both traditional and innovative patterns. At the same time, it should assure removal of artificial constraints so that women and men