

## Consultation Questions

### Section 1

1. Do you agree with the reasons given for promoting and learning languages on pages 4 and 5, and that these are the main reasons for supporting current language initiatives in Scotland? If not, why not?

*2. Do you agree that the language initiatives described on pages 6 – 12 and elsewhere are the key areas for language promotion in*

<i>Scotland? If not, why not?</i>	
3. Do you agree that the key principles listed on pages 14 and 15 should shape language activity in Scotland? If not, why not?	
4. <i>Are there any other comments you would like to offer on this strategy in relation to the promotion of languages in Scotland?</i>	<p>Dear sir as we have only just received this information I have been unable to read through your strategy however over the yaers of being involved with schools and young people I think Iam speaking with a degree of knowledge about how our Sikh community is now into 3rd and 4th generation of people being born and brought up here the lack of choice for learning their own mother tongue is absolutely disgraceful. Especially as we are all taxpayers and have been for the past 40-50years. We should at least be given the choice of choosing to learn a language that will benefit them in the future. Please do think that by not being able to read through the strategy Iam unable to comment . In actual fact we were made aware of the consultation by a member of our management committee who is teacher and she had heard of this through her school. I then contacted your department to get this information. So I do feel that your consulation will not be totally representative of the Scottish population.</p>
5. If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, how do you think you may be able to contribute to the success of the strategy?	<p>It would be helpful if the Scottish Executive took on board the fact that most minority ethnic groups are represented my voluntary organisations so if the cosultations are to be genuine there needs to be real committment from government bodies to look at all areas when going out to consult especially if your are looking for real participation and not a tick box excercise. yours sincerely Trishna Singh Development Worker</p>