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CHAPTER V OF THE REPORT OF THE FIRST SESSION
OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNING
COMMUNICATIONS. (AGENDA ITEM NO. 8)Submitted by the New Zealand Delegation

The New Zealand Delegation submits to the Social Committee the following resolution:

The Economic and Social Council

Having considered Chapter V of the Report of the Report of the First Session of the Commission on Human Rights Concerning Communications, (E/259),

Takes note of the statement that "the Commission recognizes that it has no power to take any action in regard to any complaints concerning human rights",

Requests the Secretary-General

(a) to compile a confidential list of communications received concerning human rights before each Session of the Commission, with a brief indication of the substance of each;

(b) to furnish this confidential list to the members of the Commission upon request, without divulging the identity of the authors of the communications;

(c) to enable the members of the Commission, upon request, to consult the originals of communications dealing with the principles involved in the promotion of universal respect for and observance of human rights;

(d) to forward to the Trusteeship Council copies of any petitions relating to trust territories;

(e) to inform the writers of all communications concerning human rights, however addressed, that the subject matter of their communications will be brought to the attention of the Commission on Human Rights or to the Trusteeship Council, as may be appropriate.

Suggests to the Commission on Human Rights that in future a Committee of the Commission should meet shortly before each Session of the Commission for the purpose of reviewing the confidential list of communications prepared by the Secretary-General under paragraph (a) above, in the light of the duties of the Commission under its terms of reference.

Draws the attention of the Commission on Human Rights to this decision.