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FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN TO THE YEAR 2000

Algeria, Austria, Bahamas, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Italy, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Senegal, Sweden and Venezuela: draft resolution

Interregional consultation on women in public life

The General Assembly,

<u>Recalling</u> its resolution 44/77 of 8 December 1989 endorsing the convening in 1991 of an interregional consultation on women in public life,

<u>Concerned</u> that the level of participation by women in decision-making in almost all countries is exceeding low,

<u>Stressing</u> the importance of women's full participation in the political process at all levels, especially in top decision-making, as a means of achieving the objectives set in the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, 1/

<u>Considering</u> that the consultation is an important event towards the preparations for the 1995 World Conference on Women,

1/ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IX.10), chap. I, sect. A. A/C.3/45/L.21 English Page 2

1. Decides that the consultation should be an intergovernmental meeting;

2. Urges all Governments to participate actively in the consultation and for this purpose to designate women who currently hold leadership positions in government and national institutions and organizations or are considered to have the potential for high public office;

3. <u>Invites</u> Governments and national institutions and organizations to provide extrabudgetary resources to facilitate preparations for the consultation, especially for the participation of least developed countries and for the dissemination of information about the consultation in the mass media;

4. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General to take steps to assure the necessary servicing and support of the consultation and to transmit its conclusions in a report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session.

