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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
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Agenda item 10 (a)

QUESTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS SUBJECTED TO
ANY FORM OF DETENTION OR IMPRISONMENT, IN PARTICULAR:
(a) TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING
TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT

Cuba, Denmark, Egypt, Greece, Netherlands, Norway, */ Senegal, Sweden: */
draft resolution

The Commission on Human Rights,

Having in mind General Assembly resolution 32/62 of 8 December 1977 by which the Commission was requested to draw up a draft convention on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and resolution 1979/35 of 10 May 1979 by which the Economic and Social Council authorized an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights to meet for a period of one week prior to the thirty-sixth session of the Commission to complete the work on a draft convention on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,

Recalling that such a draft convention has been discussed in a working group prior to and during the thirty-sixth session of the Commission but that it was not found possible to complete the work during that session,

Noting with satisfaction the progress made by the open-ended working group on the draft convention during the thirty-sixth session,

Desiring to make arrangements to expedite the work on the draft convention with a view to its early adoption,

1. Recognizes that it is advisable to continue the work on the draft convention in a working group which should meet before the thirty-seventh session of the Commission,
2. Decides to accord high priority to the consideration of this question at its thirty-seventh session,
3. Recommends that the Economic and Social Council should adopt the following resolution:

*/ In accordance with rule 69, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 32/62 of 8 December 1977 by which the Commission on Human Rights was requested to draw up a draft convention on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, or punishment, and resolution 1979/35 of 10 May 1979 by which the Economic and Social Council authorized an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights to meet for a period of one week prior to the thirty-sixth session of the Commission to complete the work on a draft convention on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,

Considering that it was not found possible to complete the work on the convention during the thirty-sixth session of the Commission,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution - (XXXVI),

1. Authorizes a meeting of an open-ended working group for a period of one week prior to the thirty-seventh session of the Commission on Human Rights to complete the work on a draft convention against torture,
2. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session all relevant materials relating to the draft convention.