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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS Thirty-sixth session Agenda item 12

> QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL AND

Canada, Cost Rica, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Senegal,
United States of America: draft resolution

OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

## The Commission on Human Rights,

Mindful of its mandate under the United Nations Charter to promote and encourage respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all,

Disturbed by the scale and magnitude of exoduses of populations involving hundreds of thousands of men, women and children in many regions of the world,

Conscious of the human sufferings that result from such large-scale exoduses,

. Noting the immense burden imposed on countries and territories of first asylum which receive the victims of these sudden and massive movements of population,

Concerned by indications that such large exoduses of persons and groups are frequently the result of violations of human rights,

Considering the responsibility of the international community to render protection and assistance to victims of such exoduses and to share in the burden being imposed on first asylum countries,

Considering further the responsibility of the international community to help in alleviating the conditions which cause these exoduses,

- 1. Calls upon all States to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and with the relevant international instruments, particularly the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights, and the International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- 2. <u>Further calls upon</u> all States, intergovernmental and humanitarian organizations to provide relief and assistance to refugees and displaced persons in various parts of the world and to share in the burden imposed upon first asylum countries by large-scale exoduses;
- 3. Urges those States which are the source of the exodus or the place of refuge of persons and groups involved in large-scale exoduses to co-operate fully among themselves and with other States, intergovernmental and humanitarian organizations, in rendering protection and assistance to victims, in searching for enduring solutions for these situations, and in helping to prevent and eliminate conditions which may precipitate such exoduses;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General, in cases where any such large-scale exoduses becomes a matter of international concern and solidarity to consider establishing direct contacts with appropriate governments, including on-site visits with their permission, to assess the relationships between the situation and full enjoyment of human rights and to make concrete recommendations for ameliorating such situations;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General, where warranted, to submit to the Commission, or to the General Assembly as appropriate, at its next sitting, a summary of his findings and recommendations to assist governments in restoring full enjoyment of human rights;
- 6. <u>Decides</u> to consider at its thirty-seventh session the question "Human Rights and Massive Exoduses" when considering item 12 of the agenda.