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### HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS: IMPLEMENTATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS

#### Australia: draft decision

#### Consideration of the request for revision of article 8, paragraph 6, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

The General Assembly, aware that the Government of Australia has notified in writing a request for amendment to article 8, paragraph 6, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination <sup>1/</sup> by substituting the existing paragraph with a new paragraph reading "The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall provide the necessary staff and facilities for the effective performance of the functions of the Committee under the Convention." and by adding a new paragraph reading "The members of the Committee established under the present Convention shall receive emoluments from United Nations resources on such terms and conditions as the General Assembly may decide." <sup>2/</sup> and noting that article 23 of the Convention requires the General Assembly to decide upon the steps, if any, to be taken in respect of such a request, decides: (a) to request the States parties to the Convention to consider the proposed amendment at their next meeting in January 1992; and (b) to request the meeting of States parties to limit the scope of any revision of the Convention to the question of arrangements for meeting the expenses of members of the Committee while they are in performance of Committee duties as provided for in article 8, paragraph 6, of the Convention.

<sup>1/</sup> Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.

<sup>2/</sup> A/C.3/46/5.