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MISS MONROE AND MR. SHATAQ: JOINT DRAFT RESOLUTION ON  
EDUCATIONAL MEASURES TO PREVENT DISCRIMINATION

(Item 6 of the agenda)

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of  
Minorities

Requests the Commission on Human Rights to recommend to the Economic and  
Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"DRAFT RESOLUTION ON EDUCATIONAL MEASURES TO PREVENT DISCRIMINATION

"THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

"Believing that much may be accomplished in the prevention of  
discrimination through education, and that more lasting and more positive  
results in preventing discrimination are attainable in the school than  
in other social spheres;

"Affirms its conviction that the principal goals of education in  
this field should be:

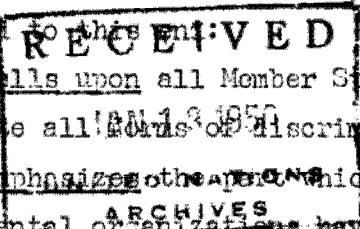
- (1) to abolish all forms of social discrimination;
- (2) to abolish such prejudices as may lead to the commission of  
unlawful acts of discrimination;

and to this end:

"Calls upon all Member States to take all steps available to them to  
eliminate all forms of discrimination from their schools;

"Emphasizes the importance which private educational establishments and non-  
governmental organizations have to play in combating prejudice and  
discrimination."

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"Invites UNESCO to give due emphasis to those practical activities in the field of education which are likely to lead to the abolition of prejudice and discrimination, and in this connexion to bear in mind the opportunities for progress to this end afforded by adult educational schemes;

"Notes with pleasure the following resolutions in the programme of UNESCO, which it considers capable of producing practical results:

- (a) Resolution 2.3. The improvement of textbooks and teaching materials, which work should be directed to preventing the creation of prejudice which leads to discrimination;
- (b) Resolution 2.2. The conduct of educational seminars, since the attitude of the teacher is among the most significant factors in preventing the formulation of prejudice;
- (c) Resolution 2.24. The publication and distribution of selected materials from each seminar, which can be of use, both to teachers and in connexion with schemes of adult education, to the general public, and

"Urgently awaits UNESCO's forthcoming declaration on scientific knowledge concerning race and racial relations, and its definition of the various subjects with which it should deal in this field, and, as soon as these are available,

1. Requests UNESCO to give priority and the necessary funds to the preparation, publication and dissemination of simple and readable books or pamphlets, based on scientific facts, explaining the fallacies of exaggerated race theories and religious and other prejudices; and
2. Invites Member States to distribute such books or pamphlets widely among all their peoples, and to disseminate these ideas in their public education programmes.

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