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REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION
AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:
draft resolution

1999/.. Forum on economic, social and cultural rights:
the Social Forum

The Commission on Human Rights,
Taking note of Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and
Protection of Minorities resolution 1998/14 of 20 August 1998,
Bearing in mind its fundamental role in the defence of human rights and
its specific mandate in the prevention of situations relating to the full
enjoyment of those rights,

1. Decides that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination
and Protection of Minorities should further review, in the light of the
ongoing discussions by the Commission on its working methods, the
establishment of a forum on economic, social and cultural rights, to be called
the Social Forum, to meet during its annual sessions with the following
objectives:

(a) To exchange information on the enjoyment of economic, social and
cultural rights and its relationship to the process of globalization;

(b) To follow up on the relationship between income distribution, the feminization of poverty and human rights at both the international and national levels;

(c) To follow up on situations of poverty and destitution in the world;

(d) To analyse and discuss possible guidelines on violations of economic, social and cultural rights;

(e) To propose legal standards and initiatives, guidelines and other recommendations to be considered by the Commission on Human Rights, the open-ended working group on the right to development established by the Commission at its fifty-fourth session, the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the specialized agencies and other entities of the United Nations system.
