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The Commission on Human Rights,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights, the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and the Protocols Additional thereto of 1977, and other instruments of international humanitarian law,

Recalling, inter alia, article 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and article 6 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, which affirm that everyone has the right to life,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 3314 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974 adopting the Definition of Aggression,

Concerned at reports of increasing numbers of victims and casualties amongst the civilian population and the destruction of installations and infrastructure used by civilians as a result of missile strikes and bombings,

Alarmed at the rise in numbers of internally displaced persons and refugees resulting from the spread of the conflict,

1. Calls urgently for an immediate cessation of the fighting and violations of human rights, primarily the right to life, in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

2. Reaffirms the responsibility of all parties to the conflict to seek and find peaceful solutions through negotiations while maintaining the territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

3. Resolutely condemns all violations of human rights and international humanitarian law, whomever they are perpetrated by;

4. Reaffirms that all who commit, sanction or abet violations of international humanitarian law bear personal responsibility and are liable to punishment for these violations, and must be brought to trial.
