6. Invites the General Assembly to pay due attention to the question at its forty-second session.

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## 1987/63. Infringements of trade union rights in South Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1985/43 of 30 May 1985,

Having examined the extract from the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on southern Africa, 88

Noting with indignation that dehumanizing conditions continue to be imposed on black workers by the Government of South Africa and that police intervention in industrial disputes has become a regular practice,

Aware of the importance of the role of the independent black trade union movement in the struggle against apartheid,

Gravely concerned at the intensification of the repression against the independent black trade union movement since the proclamation of the state of emergency by the Government of South Africa,

- 1. Takes note of the extract from the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on southern Africa;
- 2. Condemns the repression of the independent black trade union movement by the Government of South Africa:
- 3. Demands once again the cessation of persecution of trade unionists and repression of the independent black trade union movement;
- 4. Requests once again the immediate recognition of the unimpeded exercise of freedom of association and trade union rights by the entire population of South Africa, without discrimination of any kind;
- 5. Demands the immediate release of all trade unionists imprisoned for exercising their legitimate trade union rights;
- 6. Requests the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts to continue to study the situation and to report thereon to the Commission on Human Rights and the Economic and Social Council;

- 7. Also requests the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts, in the discharge of its mandate, to consult with the International Labour Organisation and the Special Committee against Apartheid, as well as with international and African trade union confederations;
- 8. Decides to consider at its first regular session of 1988 the question of allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in South Africa as a sub-item of the item entitled "Human rights".

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## 1987/64. In-depth study of the United Nations intergovernmental structure and functions in the economic and social fields

The Economic and Social Council,

- 1 Takes note with appreciation of the oral report made on 19 May 1987 by the Chairman of the Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields on the progress of work of the Commission, its future programme of work and its calendar of meetings; 89
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Special Commission a document incorporating the information received thus far from the subsidiary bodies of the General Assembly in the economic and social sectors and the subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with paragraph (i) of Council decision 1987/112 of 6 February 1987;
- 3. Decides to convene the fourth session of the Special Commission from 1 to 4 September 1987;
- 4. Recommends that conference services and facilities for at least fifty official meetings be made available to the Special Commission in 1988;
- 5 Requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures to ensure the provision of adequate full-time support services as requested by the Special Commission for the duration of its work.

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<sup>88</sup> E/1987/70, annex.

<sup>89</sup> See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Plenary Meetings, vol. 1, 120s meeting.