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XIV. HUMAN RIGHTS AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. The Commission considered agenda item 14 at its 64th meeting,

on 9 March 1993, and at its 67th meeting, on 10 March 1993.

2. At the 64th meeting, on 9 March 1993, in the general debate on item 14, a statement 3/ was made by the representative of Pakistan.

 At the same meeting, a statement was made by the observer for Iraq.
 At the same meeting, the Commission also heard statements by the following non-governmental organizations: Centre Europe-Tiers Monde, International Educational Development Inc., International Fellowship of Reconciliation, Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund Inc., Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

5. At the 67th meeting, on 10 March 1993, the Commission took up draft resolutions and decisions submitted under item 14.

6. On 2 March 1993, a draft resolution (E/CN.4/1993/L.47) had been submitted by Burundi, Cameroon*, Ethiopia*, Gabon, the Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritania, Nigeria, Senegal*, the Sudan, Tunisia,

the United Republic of Tanzania*, Zambia and Zimbabwe*.

7. At the 67th meeting, on 10 March 1993, the representative of Kenya introduced a revised draft resolution (E/CN.4/1993/L.47/Rev.1) sponsored by the same member and observer States as draft resolution E/CN.4/1993/L.47. Equatorial Guinea* and Swaziland* subsequently joined the sponsors.
8. The revised draft resolution contained revisions as follows:

 (a) The eighth preambular paragraph, which read "<u>Gravely concerned</u> at recent reports of dumping of harmful wastes in Africa;" was replaced by a new preambular paragraph;

(b) In the ninth preambular paragraph, the word "also" was inserted between the word "Aware" and the words "of the potential";

(c) A new paragraph was inserted as the tenth preambular paragraph;

(d) In operative paragraph 6, the words ", including prevention of illegal traffic," was inserted between the word "wastes" and the words "at its fifty-first session".

9. Statements in connection with the revised draft resolution were made by the representatives of the Gambia and the United States of America.

10. At the request of the representative of the United States of America a roll-call vote was taken on the revised draft resolution, which was adopted by 34 votes to 1, with 7 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

- In favour:Angola, Argentina, Bangladesh, Barbados, Brazil,
Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba,
Cyprus, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, India, Indonesia,
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Lesotho, Libyan Arab
Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Nigeria,
Pakistan, Peru, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic,
Tunisia, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zambia.Against:United States of America
Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic,
 - Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Malaysia, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

11. Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Australia, Canada, Japan and the United States of America.
12. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/90.
13. At the same meeting, the representative of France introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/1993/L.82 sponsored by Argentina, Australia, Belgium*, Bulgaria, Cameroon*, Costa Rica, the Czech Republic, Denmark*, Finland, France, Germany, Greece*, Poland, Romania, the Russian Federation, Senegal* and Turkey. Algeria* subsequently joined the sponsors.

14. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote.

15. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/91.
16. At the same meeting, the representative of France introduced draft decision E/CN.4/1993/L.106 sponsored by Chile and France.

17. The representative of France orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

(a) After the words "personal data" document number E/CN.4/1990/72 was inserted;

(b) The word "fiftieth" was replaced by the word "fifty-first";

(c) In sub-paragraph (b), the word "including" was deleted between the words "intergovernmental organizations," and the words "non-governmental organizations".

18. Statements in connection with the draft decision were made by the representatives of France and India.

19. A statement in explanation of his delegation's position was made by the representative of India.

20. The draft decision as orally revised was adopted without a vote.

21. For the text as adopted see chapter II, section B, decision 1993/111.

22. At the same meeting, the Commission considered draft decision 7 recommended by the Sub-Commission for adoption by the Commission

(E/CN.4/1993/2, chap. I, sect. B).

23. The draft decision was adopted without a vote.

24. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section B, decision 1993/112.
25. In view of the adoption of resolution 1993/53 (see paras. ---), the
Commission took no action on draft decision 12, recommended by the
Sub-Commission for adoption by the Commission (E/CN.4/1993/2, chap. I,
sect. B).
