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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL
FREEDOMS, INCLUDING POLICIES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND
SEGREGATION AND OF APARTHEID, IN ALL COUNTRIES, WITH
PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL AND OTHER DEPENDENT
COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES: REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMISSION
UNDER COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS RESOLUTION 8 (XXIII)

Mr. Despouy and Mr. Eide: draft resolution

1993/... The situation of human rights in Haiti

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

Referring to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International
Covenants on Human Rights, the American Convention on Human Rights and the
other international instruments on human rights to which Haiti is a party,

Recalling the resolutions concerning the situation in Haiti adopted by
the competent bodies of the United Nations and the Organization of American
States since the events of 30 September 1991,

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Recalling in particular resolutions 47/143 of the General Assembly of the United Nations of 18 December 1992, 1993/68 of the Commission on Human Rights of 10 March 1993 and Sub-Commission resolution 1992/17 of 27 August 1992 as well as the relevant resolutions of the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States and the General Assembly of that organization,

Bearing in mind the state of the situation in Haiti established by the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights, Mr. Marco Tullio Bruni Celli, who reports numerous violations of the right to life, security of person, freedom of expression, freedom of association and freedom of movement in that country,

Noting with serious concern that extrajudicial executions have taken place, mainly at Port-au-Prince, during the month of July and that, according to the reports received by the international civil mission, the number of victims is estimated at over 30,

Noting with satisfaction the agreements which have been concluded between the President of the Republic and the Chief of the armed forces, and between the different political parties of Haiti,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the agreements of Governor's Island signed between the constitutional President of the Republic, Fr. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, and the Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces, General Raoul Cedras, which provide for a programme of international cooperation and a series of institutional reforms, including the professionalization of the armed forces, the establishment of a new police force and the reform of the judicial system, and which should culminate, on 30 October 1993, in the return to the country of the constitutional President of the Republic;

2. Also takes note with satisfaction of the pact of New York, which was signed in July 1993 between the various political forces represented in Parliament and which aims at establishing a political truce, the normalization of Parliament and the enactment of fundamental laws with a view to a peaceful transition;

3. Encourages the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States to continue their efforts at mediation through their special envoy, Mr. Dante Caputo, with a view to achieving the constitutional normalization of the situation and the

return to Haiti of the constitutional President of the Republic on
30 October 1993;

4. Encourages the international community to make available all the necessary economic and technical resources for the economic reconstruction of the country and the institution of a programme of development assistance for Haiti as soon as the sanctions imposed on that country have been lifted;

5. Calls on all sectors of Haitian society to ensure that a peaceful transition, based on national agreement, can take place and that democracy can be firmly established in Haiti;

6. Decides to examine the situation of human rights in Haiti at its next session under agenda item 6.
