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DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Mr. Alfonso Martínez: draft resolution

1993/... Draft United Nations declaration on the rights
of indigenous peoples

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

Recalling its resolutions 1992/33 of 27 August 1992, 1991/30 of
29 August 1991 and 1985/22 of 29 August 1985,

Taking into account, in particular, paragraph 2 of its
resolution 1992/33, in which it endorsed the plan adopted by its Working Group
on Indigenous Populations at its tenth session for the completion of the
second reading of the text of the draft declaration at its eleventh session
and the possible submission of the draft declaration to the Sub-Commission at
its forty-fifth session,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 47/75 of 14 December 1992,
paragraph 12 of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1993/30 of 5 March 1993,
paragraph 6 (a) of Commission resolution 1993/31 of 5 March 1993,
paragraph II.28 of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action
(E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/23),

GE.93-14992 (E)

Having considered the report of its Working Group on Indigenous Populations on its eleventh session (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/29),

Taking into account the contents of chapter X of that report,

Welcoming the conclusion of the deliberations of the Working Group on the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples,

1. Expresses its satisfaction at the conclusion of the deliberations on the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples by the Working Group on Indigenous Populations at its eleventh session;

2. Expresses its gratitude to the Chairperson-Rapporteur of the Working Group, Mrs. Erica-Irene A. Daes, for her contribution to the process of drafting the draft declaration;

3. Decides:

(a) To postpone until its forty-sixth session its consideration of the draft declaration agreed upon by the members of the Working Group in private meetings during its eleventh session and contained in annex I to the report of the Working Group (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/29);

(b) To request the Secretary-General to submit the draft declaration, as soon as possible, to the appropriate services within the Centre for Human Rights for its technical revision;

(c) Also to request the Secretary-General to transmit the text of the draft declaration to indigenous peoples and organizations, Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as soon as the technical revision of the draft declaration is completed and no later than 31 March 1994. The note of transmittal will contain an explicit reference to the fact that no further amendments to the technically revised text will be accepted during the future standard-setting proceedings of the Working Group;

(d) To request its Working Group on Indigenous Populations to adopt formally the text of the draft declaration, as technically revised by the secretariat, at the first public working meeting of its twelfth session, in 1994, and to submit the text for consideration to the Sub-Commission at its forty-sixth session.
