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Promotion of press freedom in the world

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the note by the Secretariat, 1/

Taking cognizance of resolution 4.3 of 6 November 1991, adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its twenty-sixth session, contained in the annex thereto,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 47/73 B of 14 December 1992, in which the Assembly decided on procedural grounds to refer to the Economic and Social Council, for its consideration, the above-mentioned resolution,

Recognizing that a free, pluralistic and independent press is an essential component of any democratic society,

Recommends to the General Assembly that it declare 3 May World Press Freedom Day.

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

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