

3. *Invites* non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, as well as professional institutions, to further this type of educational work.

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H

UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN UNDER-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that the principle of the equality of rights of men and women is set forth in the Charter of the United Nations and in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and that the effective realization of this principle is a goal of the international community as a whole,

Considering that such realization depends everywhere not only on the will of the public authorities, but also on the economic means which countries have at their disposal,

Considering that the economically under-developed countries are generally those which have the least resources and must make the greatest efforts towards the realization of this principle,

Recognizing, however, that the efforts which these countries make do not meet their needs in this particular field, despite the valuable assistance which they receive either through bilateral agreements or from the United Nations and the specialized agencies,

Recognizing further that such a situation creates a serious obstacle to the advancement of women in these countries,

Recognizing also that further study by the United Nations and the specialized agencies would be desirable in this field,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to study, in co-operation with Governments of Member States and the specialized agencies, the need for and possibilities of further United Nations assistance specially directed towards the efforts of under-developed countries to advance the status of women;

2. *Invites* the Governments of Member States to assist the Secretary-General in undertaking and completing this study;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report on the results of his study to the Council and to the General Assembly at a later session.

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Commission on Human Rights (sixteenth session);⁵⁶

⁵⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 8 (E/3335).*

2. *Requests* the Commission to include in its future reports a separate section outlining the work programme in human rights approved by it and the anticipated time schedule for this programme.

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B

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 9 (II) of 26 June 1946, relating to local human rights committees,

Recognizing the importance of the contribution which can be made towards the promotion of respect for and observance of human rights by bodies representing, in each country, informed opinion on questions relating to human rights,

Recognizing further that such bodies can play an important role in regard to the education of public opinion upon questions relating to human rights,

1. *Considers* that the studies and opinion of such bodies on questions of human rights can be of great value to Governments in the promotion of respect for and observance of human rights;

2. *Invites* Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to favour, in such manner as may be appropriate, the formation of such bodies which might take the form, *inter alia*, of local human rights committees or national advisory committees in the field of human rights, or to encourage them where they already exist;

3. *Invites* Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies, with a view to the exchange of information and experience in regard to the functions of such bodies, including the nature and extent of their contact with Governments, to communicate to the Secretary-General all relevant information on this subject in order that the Secretary-General may prepare a report to be circulated to Governments and submitted to the Commission on Human Rights at its eighteenth session.

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C

STUDY OF DISCRIMINATION IN THE MATTER OF RELIGIOUS RIGHTS AND PRACTICES

The Economic and Social Council,

Believing that the most effective way of combating discrimination in the matter of religious rights and practices is through sustained educational efforts on an international scale,

Taking into account the important contribution to the above-mentioned purpose made by the study submitted to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination

and Protection of Minorities, at its twelfth session, by its special rapporteur, Mr. Arcot Krishnaswami,⁵⁷

Noting the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its sixteenth session to consider further, at its next session, the draft principles drawn up by the Sub-Commission,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Arcot Krishnaswami, for his valuable study;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to print and circulate as widely as possible the study prepared by the Special Rapporteur, for the use *inter alia* of Governments, specialized agencies, research centres and individuals interested in these problems;

3. *Draws the attention* of the General Assembly, in connexion with the consideration by the Assembly of article 18 of the draft Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,⁵⁸ to the study prepared by the Special Rapporteur and to the fact that the Principles drawn up by the Sub-Commission have been submitted to Governments for their observations.

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D

SLAVERY

The Economic and Social Council,

Believing that slavery in all its forms and all institutions and practices similar to slavery should be abolished,

Desiring that to this end the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices similar to Slavery, signed at Geneva on 7 September 1956,⁵⁹ should be widely adopted and fully implemented,

Noting with satisfaction that thirty-five States have become parties to this Convention,

Noting further that article 8 of the Convention provides that States Parties will co-operate with each other and with the United Nations to give effect to the provisions of the Convention, and, in particular, that they will communicate to the Secretary-General of the United Nations copies of any laws, regulations and administrative measures enacted or put into effect to implement these provisions,

Having been informed that no information in accordance with article 8 has yet been furnished to the Secretary-General by most of the States Parties to the Convention,

1. *Expresses the hope* that all States Parties to the Convention will furnish to the Secretary-General the information called for under article 8 (2) of the Convention

⁵⁷ E/CN.4/Sub.2/2000.

⁵⁸ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/2573), annex I.*

⁵⁹ *United Nations Conference of Plenipotentiaries on a Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices similar to Slavery, held at Geneva, 13 August to 4 September 1956. Final Act and Supplementary Convention (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 1957.XIV.2).*

and that those States Parties which, in view of their existing laws, regulations or administrative measures, have not found it necessary to enact or put into effect new laws, regulations or administrative measures in order to implement the provisions of the Convention, will inform the Secretary-General to that effect;

2. *Urges* those Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies which have not yet done so to adhere to this Convention.

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E

DRAFT DECLARATION ON THE RIGHT OF ASYLUM

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered chapter VI of the report of the Commission on Human Rights (sixteenth session)⁶⁰ on the subject of a draft declaration on the right of asylum, and the draft declaration transmitted by the Commission to the Council,⁶¹

Noting the observations on this draft submitted by certain Governments⁶² in response to resolution III (XVI) of the Commission on Human Rights,

1. *Transmits* to the General Assembly for its consideration the draft declaration prepared by the Commission, together with the records of the discussion of the subject in the Council and also the records of earlier discussions in the Commission, as well as the comments of Governments on the draft declaration at its various stages;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly any further comments of Governments which may be received.

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ADVISORY SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS

The Economic and Social Council,

Expressing its deep satisfaction that the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, based upon the text prepared by the Commission on Human Rights at its fifteenth session, was adopted unanimously by the General Assembly in its resolution 1386 (XIV) of 20 November 1959,

Considering that the Declaration of the Rights of the Child calls upon all peoples and Governments to recognize the rights set forth therein and strive for their observance,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 926 (X) of 14 December 1955, which established the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights,

⁶⁰ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 8 (E/3335).*

⁶¹ *Ibid.*, para. 147.

⁶² E/3403/Add. 1 to 5.