- 2. Authorizes, as an interim measure, the officers elected by the Commission at its thirty-second session to meet for three days before the opening of its thirty-third session to consider ways and means which might enable the Commission to carry out its functions as well as may be, having regard to the following aspects:
- (a) The establishment of a proper and balanced long-term programme of work in the field of human rights, considering however on a priority basis specific situations of alleged gross violations of human rights at every session;
- (b) The rationalization of the work by grouping of items and through advance planning of various sessions;
- (c) Recourse to the use of sessional working groups and informal consultations.

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1993 (LX). Question of the human rights of all persons subjected to any form of detention or imprisonment

The Economic and Social Council,

Mindful of articles 3, 5 and 9 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights⁶ 2 as well as of articles 6, 7, 9 and 10 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,⁶ 3

Welcoming the unanimous adoption of the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment by the General Assembly in its resolution 3452 (XXX) of 9 December 1975,

Taking note of resolution 10 (XXXII) of the Commission on Human Rights, 64 in which the Commission invited the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 3453 (XXX):

- (a) To draw also upon the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment as a guideline for its work when considering the question of the human rights of persons subjected to any form of detention or imprisonment under the Sub-Commission's resolutions 7 (XXVII) and 4 (XXVIII),
- (b) To draw up at its twenty-ninth session, on the basis of the Study of the Right of Everyone to be Free from Arbitrary Arrest, Detention and Exile, 65 the draft principles on freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention attached thereto and other relevant material, a body of principles for the protection of all persons under any form of detention or imprisonment,

Recalling that by its resolution 663 C (XXIV) of 31 July 1957, the Economic and Social Council approved the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners 66 adopted by the First United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,

- 1. Calls upon all Governments fully to observe and implement the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 3452 (XXX);
- 2. Invites Governments, specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to co-operate with the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities in the implementation of its resolutions 7 (XXVII) and 4 (XXVIII) on the human rights of persons subjected to any form of detention or imprisonment;
- 3. Urges the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to give adequate attention to the task entrusted to it in resolution 10 (XXXII) of the Commission on Human Rights and to formulate a body of principles for the protection of all persons under any form of detention or imprisonment;
- 4. Reiterates the recommendation of the General Assembly in its resolution 3144 B (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973 that Member States should make all possible efforts to implement the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners in the administration of penal and correctional institutions and take the Rules into account in the framing of national legislation;
- 5. Determines that no restrictions upon or derogations from any of the fundamental human rights recognized or existing in any country in virtue of law, conventions, regulations or custom shall be admitted on the pretext that the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners do not recognize such rights or that they recognize them to a lesser extent;
- 6. Requests the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control at its fourth session to study the range of application of the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners, to formulate a set of implementing procedures for these Rules, and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-second session;
- 7. Invites the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of the Governments of the States Members of the United Nations.

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1994 (LX). Protection of human rights in Chile

The Economic and Social Council,

Aware of its responsibility under the Charter of the United Nations for the promotion of human rights,

Observing that the Commission on Human Rights, as the Council organ responsible for those functions, has made repeated efforts to restore human rights and fundamental freedoms in Chile,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3452 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, in which the Assembly unanimously adopted the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 3219 (XXIX) of 6 November 1974, in which the Assembly expressed its

⁶² General Assembly resolution 217 A (III) of 10 December 1948

⁶³ General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI) of 16 December 1966.

⁶⁴ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5768), chap. XX.

⁶⁵ United Nations publication, Sales No. 65.XIV.2.

⁶⁶ United Nations publication, Sales No. 1956.IV.4.