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DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES ON ITS
FORTY-FIFTH SESSION

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XVI. CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF SLAVERY

1. The Sub-Commission considered item 15 at its 8th, 9th, 10th, 26th and 33rd meetings, on 6, 9, 10, 20 and 25 August 1993.
2. The Sub-Commission had before it the following documents in connection with its consideration of the item:
 - Report of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery on its eighteenth session (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/30);
 - Report of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery concerning the Programme of Action for the Prevention of the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/31 and Add.1);
 - Note by the Secretary-General pursuant to Sub-Commission resolution 1992/3 (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/32);
 - Note by the Secretary-General pursuant to Sub-Commission resolution 1992/2 (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/35).
3. At the 8th meeting, on 6 August 1993, Mr. Maxim, the Chairman-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, introduced the report of the Working Group (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/30).
4. At the 9th meeting, on 9 August 1993, the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn, made a statement.
5. In the general debate on the item, statements 1/ were made by the following members of the Sub-Commission: Mr. Alfonso Martínez (10th), Mrs. Attah (9th), Ms. Chavez (8th), Mrs. Daes (10th), Mr. Eide (8th), Mrs. Forero Ucros (10th), Mr. Guissé (8th), Mr. Hakim (10th), Mrs. Ksentini (10th), Mrs. Palley (10th), Mr. Tian (10th) and Mrs. Warzazi (9th).
6. Statements were made by the observers for: Brazil (10th), Colombia (10th), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (10th), Republic of Korea (10th).
7. The Sub-Commission also heard statements by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: Anti-Slavery International for the Protection of Human Rights (9th), Commission of the Churches on International Affairs of the World Council of Churches (9th), Human Rights Advocates (8th), International Abolitionist Federation (8th), International Association of Democratic Lawyers (8th), International Association of Educators for World Peace (9th), International Commission of Jurists (8th), International Educational Development (10th), International Fellowship of

Reconciliation (9th), International Lesbian and Gay Association (8th), Liberation (9th), World Association for the School as an Instrument of Peace (7th).

8. Statements equivalent to a right to reply were made by the observers for India (10th) and Thailand (9th).

Report of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery

9. At its 26th meeting, on 20 August 1993, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.7, sponsored by Ms. Chavez, Mr. Eide, Ms. Ferriol Echevarria, Mr. Hakim, Mrs. Ksentini, Mr. Maxim, Mr. Ramadhane, Mrs. Warzazi and Mr. Yimer. Mr. Alfonso Martínez, Mr. Guissé, Mr. Khalil and Mr. Joinet subsequently joined the sponsors.

10. Mrs. Ksentini and Mr. Yimer made statements relating to the draft resolution.

11. Mrs. Warzazi withdrew as a sponsor.

12. A statement on the cost estimate relating to the draft resolution was made by a representative of the Secretary-General, in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

13. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote.

14. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/5.
Slavery and slavery-like practices during wartime

15. At the 26th meeting, on 20 August 1993, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.12, sponsored by Mrs. Attah, Mr. Bossuyt, Mr. Boutkevitch, Ms. Chavez, Mrs. Daes, Mr. Eide, Mrs. Forero Ucros, Mr. Hakim, Mr. Hatano, Mr. Heller, Mrs. Ksentini, Mr. Maxim, Mrs. Palley and Mrs. Warzazi.

16. Mrs. Daes, on behalf of the sponsors, informed the Sub-Commission that a revision to the draft resolution would be issued.

17. The Sub-Commission decided to postpone consideration of draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.12.

18. At the 33rd meeting, on 25 August 1993, the Sub-Commission considered a revised draft resolution (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.12/Rev.1) sponsored by Mrs. Attah, Mr. Bossuyt, Mr. Boutkevitch, Mrs. Daes, Mr. Eide, Mr. Hatano, Mrs. Ksentini, Mrs. Palley, Mrs. Warzazi and Mr. Yimer. Mr. Despouy, Mr. Joinet and Mr. Maxim subsequently joined the sponsors.

19. The revised draft resolution contained the following revisions:

(a) In the second preambular paragraph, after the words "abuse of women and children" the words "and 1993/46 of 8 March 1993 in which the Commission condemned all acts of violence and violations of human rights directed specifically against women, including those in situations of armed conflict" were added;

(b) In operative paragraphs 1 and 4, the words "appoint a Special Rapporteur from among the members of the Sub-Commission to undertake" were replaced by the words "entrust Ms. Linda Chavez, as Special Rapporteur, with the task of undertaking";

(c) A new paragraph was inserted as operative paragraph 2 and the remaining paragraphs were renumbered;

(d) A new paragraph was added as operative paragraph 6.

20. Mrs. Daes orally made the following revision:

Insert in operative paragraphs 1, 5 and 6 the word "armed" between the words "internal" and "conflict".

21. Mr. Alfonso Martínez proposed the following amendment:

Insert in operative paragraph 1 the words "in particular" before the words "during wartime".

22. The amendment was accepted by the sponsors.

23. Statements in connection with the draft resolution and the amendments thereto were made by Mr. Alfonso Martínez, Ms. Chavez, Mrs. Daes, Mr. Despouy, Mr. Guissé, Mr. Tian and Mr. Yimer.

24. A statement on the cost estimate relating to the draft resolution was made by a representative of the Secretary-General, in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

25. The draft resolution, as revised and amended, was adopted without a vote.

26. For the text as adopted, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/24.

Additional assistance in studying ways and means of resolving problems arising from the former institution of slavery

27. At the 26th meeting, on 20 August 1993, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.13, sponsored by Ms. Chavez, Mr. Guissé, Mrs. Palley and Mrs. Warzazi. Mrs. Attah subsequently joined the sponsors.

28. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote.

29. For the text of the resolution, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/6.

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30. At the same meeting the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1993/L.14, sponsored by Mr. Boutkevitch, Ms. Chavez, Mr. Chernichenko, Mr. Hakim, Mr. Joinet, Mrs. Ksentini, Mr. Maxim, Mrs. Palley, Mr. Ramadhane, Mr. Sachar, Mrs. Warzazi and Mr. Yimer. Mrs. Daes and Mr. Guissé subsequently joined the sponsors.

31. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote.

32. For the text of the resolution, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1993/7.
