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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING POLICIES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND SEGREGATION AND OF APARTHEID, IN ALL COUNTRIES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL AND OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES: REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMISSION UNDER COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS RESOLUTION 8 (XXIII)

Draft resolution submitted by: Mr. Bossuyt, Mr. Carter, Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Eide, Mr. Ferrero, Mr. Foli, Mr. Martinez-Baez, Mr. Masud, Mr. Mubanga-Chipoya, Mr. Mudawi, Mrs. Odio Benito, Ms. M. Perdomo de Sousa, Mr. Whitaker

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, Having reviewed at its thirty-fourth session information relating to the promotion and protection of human rights in the world,

Gravely concerned over the number and scale of violations of human rights in many parts of the world,

Deeply convinced that it is essential for the United Nations to develop effective ways and means of responding urgently to violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

1. Decides to inform the Commission on Human Rights of the Sub-Commission's conviction that the number and scale of gross violations of human rights occurring in many parts of the world requires urgent and effective forms of action by the United Nations and, to this end, decides to inform the Commission that in the view of the Sub-Commission the establishment of a post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights would be highly valuable in advancing the promotion and protection of human rights in the world;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to inform the Sub-Commission at its thirty-fifth session of the deliberations of the Commission on Human Rights on this question at its thirty-eighth session.