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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE FIFTIETH SESSION

Draft report of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of
Discrimination and Protection of Minorities

Rapporteur: Mr. Ioan MAXIM

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VIII. CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF SLAVERY

1. The Sub-Commission considered item 6 at its 18th, 19th and 29th meetings, held on 14 and 29 August 1998.
2. For the list of documents issued under item 6, see annex VI to the present report.
3. At the 18th meeting, on 14 August 1998, Ms. Gay J. McDougall, Special Rapporteur on systematic rape, sexual slavery and slavery-like practices during armed conflict, introduced her final report (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1998/13).
4. At the same meeting, the Chairperson-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, Ms. Halima Embarek Warzazi, introduced the report of the Working Group on its twenty-third session (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1998/14).
5. In the general debate under item 6, statements 1/ were made by the following members of the Sub-Commission: Ms. Daes (19th), Mr. Eide (19th), Mr. Fan Guoxiang (19th), Mr. Maxim (19th), Mr. Sang Yong Park (19th), Mr. Sik Yuen (18th), Mr. Weissbrodt (19th), Mr. Yimer (18th).
6. The Sub-Commission also heard statements by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: African Commission of Health and Human Rights Promoters (19th), Anti-Slavery International (19th), Asian Women's Human Rights Council (19th), Christian Solidarity International (18th), Commission of the Churches on International Affairs of the World Council of Churches (19th), European Union of Public Relations (19th), Indian Council of Education (18th), International Association of Democratic Lawyers (18th), International Educational Development, Inc. (19th), International Fellowship of Reconciliation (19th), International Movement against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism (18th), Liberation (joint statement with Kyosei Renko Chosadan) (19th), North-South XXI (19th), Pax Romana (19th), World Federation of Democratic Youth (19th), World Alliance of Reformed Churches (19th).
7. Statements were made by the observers for: Japan (19th), Philippines (19th), Republic of Korea (19th), Sudan (19th).
8. A statement equivalent to a right of reply was made by the observer for Mauritania (19th).

Systematic rape, sexual slavery and slavery-like practices during armed conflict, including internal armed conflict

9. At its 29th meeting, on 21 August 1998, the Sub-Commission considered draft decision E/CN.4/Sub.2/1998/L.26, sponsored by Mr. Sang Yong Park, Ms. Warzazi, Mr. Weissbrodt and Mr. Yokota. Mr. Alfonso Martínez, Mr. Mehedi and Mr. Yimer subsequently joined the sponsors.

10. Mr. Alfonso Martínez proposed to revise the third preambular paragraph, and operative paragraphs 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 14.

11. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by Mr. Sang Yong Park and Mr. Yokota.

12. The draft resolution, as revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution see chapter II, section A, resolution 1998/18.

Report of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery

13. At the same meeting, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1998/L.31, sponsored by Mr. Maxim, Mr. Sang Yong Park, Ms. Warzazi, Mr. Weissbrodt and Mr. Yimer. Mr. Alfonso Martínez subsequently joined the sponsors.

14. Ms. Warzazi proposed to revise operative paragraph 24 of the draft resolution.

15. The draft resolution, as revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution see chapter II, section A, resolution 1998/19.

United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery

16. At the same meeting, the Sub-Commission considered a draft resolution on the above subject proposed orally by Ms. Warzazi.

17. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by Mr. Weissbrodt and Mr. Yokota.

18. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution see chapter II, section A, resolution 1998/20.
