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Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution

## Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 46/182 of 19 December 1991, 51/194 of 17 December 1996 and 52/168 of 16 December 1997 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/56 of 28 July 1995,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations,<sup>1</sup>

*Welcoming* the progress made by the Emergency Relief Coordinator and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in strengthening the coordination of humanitarian assistance of the United Nations,

1. *Welcomes* the first humanitarian affairs segment of the Economic and Social Council held during its substantive session of 1998 and agreed conclusions 1998/1 adopted at that session;<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/53/139-E/1998/67.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/53/3).

- 2. Calls upon relevant organizations of the United Nations system, Governments and non-governmental organizations to cooperate with the Secretary-General and the Emergency Relief Coordinator to ensure timely implementation of and follow-up to agreed conclusions 1998/1;
- 3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly, through the 1999 session of the Economic and Social Council, on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, including the implementation of and follow-up to agreed conclusions 1998/1;
- 4. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council to consider ways to further enhance the humanitarian segment of future sessions of the Economic and Social Council, as outlined in agreed conclusions 1998/1.