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Human rights and mass exodusesNote by the Secretary-General

1. At its 59th meeting, on 11 March 1982, the Commission on Human Rights adopted resolution 1982/32 entitled "Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories: human rights and massive exoduses", in which it, inter alia, requested the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly for consideration at its thirty-seventh session the study prepared by the Special Rapporteur on human rights and massive exoduses. The Economic and Social Council took note of that resolution in its decision 1982/136, on 7 May 1982. The Special Rapporteur's report is contained in document E/CN.4/1503, dated 31 December 1981.

2. The Secretary-General also wishes to draw attention to paragraph 4 of resolution 1982/32, by which the Commission invited interested Governments, United Nations agencies or departments concerned, specialized agencies, international organizations and non-governmental organizations to communicate their views on the study and the recommendations contained therein to the Secretary-General. Views received in response to this invitation will be conveyed to the General Assembly through the Special Rapporteur, as requested in paragraph 5 of the resolution.

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