

Acknowledging the necessity of integrating the social and economic aspects of development, as well as its effects on the enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all,

1. *Decides* to authorize the *Ad Hoc* Working Group on the Social Aspects of the Development Activities of the United Nations to hold a third session, in order to enable it to conclude its activities, taking into account the views expressed on the matter during the first regular session of 1980 of the Economic and Social Council, and to submit its final report to the Council at its first regular session of 1981, through the Commission for Social Development;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to render all assistance to the *Ad Hoc* Working Group and to secure extrabudgetary resources to finance its work;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a statement of programme budget, administrative and other implications of the recommendations contained in the final report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to invite the specialized agencies to submit their views on the final report;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to Governments of Member States the final report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group and the statement to be prepared in accordance with paragraph 3 above, and to invite their comments thereon;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare an analytical summary of the comments received from Member States and the specialized agencies and submit it to the Economic and Social Council for consideration at its first regular session of 1981, through the Commission for Social Development;

7. *Decides* to consider, at its first regular session of 1981, the final report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group, together with the comments of Member States thereon, and the statement of the Secretary-General, to be prepared in accordance with paragraph 3 above.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/28. Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Decides* to authorize the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to entrust Mr. Justice Abu Sayeed Chowdhury, Special Rapporteur, with the preparation of a study on the discriminatory treatment of members of racial, ethnic, religious or linguistic groups at the various levels in the administration of criminal justice proceedings, such as police, military, administrative and judicial investigations, arrest, detention, trial and execution of sentences, including the ideologies or beliefs which contribute or lead to racism, in the light of the comments made in the Sub-Commission at its thirty-second session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all the assistance that he may require in his work;

3. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur to submit his report to the Sub-Commission at its thirty-fourth session;

4. *Decides also* to authorize the Sub-Commission to designate a special rapporteur from among its members to carry out a study on political, economic, cultural and other factors underlying situations leading to racism, including a survey of the increase or decline of all forms of racism and racial discrimination.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/29. Question of international legal protection of the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1790 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 and 1871 (LVI) of 17 May 1974 and its decision 1979/36 of 10 May 1979 relating to the question of international legal protection of the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live,

Noting Commission on Human Rights resolutions 16 (XXXV) of 14 March 1979⁵⁶ and 19 (XXXVI) of 29 February 1980⁵⁷ on the same subject,

Noting also resolution 9 (XXXI) of 13 September 1978 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,⁵⁸

1. *Decides* to transmit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session the text of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live,⁵⁹ prepared by the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, Baroness Elles, and amended by the Sub-Commission, together with the comments on the text of the draft declaration, received from Member States in response to Council decision 1979/36;⁶⁰

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly should consider the adoption of a declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live, taking appropriate account of the above-mentioned comments.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/30. Development of public information activities in the field of human rights

The Economic and Social Council,

Mindful of General Assembly resolution 34/182 of 18 December 1979 on questions relating to information,

Recalling Commission on Human Rights resolution 23 (XXXV) of 14 March 1979⁶¹ on the development of public information activities in the field of human rights,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on this subject,⁶² which was submitted to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-sixth session,

⁵⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 6 (E/1979/36)*, chap. XXIV.

⁵⁷ *Ibid.*, 1980, *Supplement No. 3 (E/1980/13 and Corr.1)*, chap. XXVI.

⁵⁸ See E/CN.4/1296, chap. XVII.

⁵⁹ E/CN.4/1336.

⁶⁰ E/CN.4/1354 and Add.1-6.

⁶¹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 6 (E/1979/36)*, chap. XXIV.

⁶² E/CN.4/1368.

Conscious of the importance of teaching, education, research, training and information in the promotion and protection of human rights,

Reiterating its belief that progress in the promotion of respect for and protection of human rights is assisted by a favourable world public opinion,

1. *Urges* all Governments to consider action to facilitate publicity regarding United Nations activities in the field of human rights, with particular reference to the work of the Commission on Human Rights;

2. *Draws the attention* of Governments to the importance of encouraging the dissemination of international instruments on human rights as widely as possible, including texts in their own languages;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the International Labour Organisation, to draw up and implement a world-wide programme for the dissemination of international instruments on human rights in as many languages as possible and to report on the implementation of this programme to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to inform the Committee on Information of its strong hopes that the Committee will make suitable recommendations for developing public information activities in the field of human rights;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of Governments, regional governmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and United Nations information centres with a view to inviting their comments on its implementation;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure in the interim that adequate resources are available to permit the speedy preparation and distribution of the existing United Nations publications concerned with human rights;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session on the measures taken to enhance public information activities in the field of human rights, including any proposals made to this end by the Committee on Information, and to include in his report information on the implementation of the plans mentioned in his report to the Commission at its thirty-sixth session,⁶² as well as information received pursuant to the request contained in paragraph 5 above.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/31. Study of situations which appear to reveal a consistent pattern of gross violations of human rights as provided in Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXIII) and Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII)

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that the Commission on Human Rights has been examining since its thirty-third session, in 1977, the situation regarding the alleged persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses in Malawi,

Considering further that the Government of Malawi has not co-operated with the Commission on Human

Rights or replied to the communications addressed to it regarding this matter,

1. *Regrets* the failure of the Government of Malawi to co-operate with the Commission on Human Rights in the examination of a situation said to have deprived thousands of Jehovah's Witnesses in Malawi of their basic human rights and fundamental freedoms between 1972 and 1975, which constrains the Economic and Social Council to publicize the matter;

2. *Expresses the hope* that the human rights of all citizens of Malawi have been fully restored and, in particular, that adequate measures are being taken to provide a remedy to those who may have suffered injustices.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/32. Draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 32/62 of 8 December 1977, by which the Assembly requested the Commission on Human Rights to draw up a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and Council resolution 1979/35 of 10 May 1979, by which it authorized an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights to meet for a period of one week prior to the thirty-sixth session of the Commission to complete the work on a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,

Considering that it was not found possible to complete the work on the draft convention during the thirty-sixth session of the Commission,

Taking note of resolution 34 (XXXVI) of 12 March 1980 of the Commission on Human Rights,⁶³

1. *Authorizes* a meeting of an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights for a period of one week prior to the thirty-seventh session of the Commission to complete the work on a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session all the material relevant to the draft convention.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/33. Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1979/39 of 10 May 1979 on the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights on allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa,

Noting with grave concern that recent reforms in South African labour legislation were cosmetic in nature and not aimed at producing fundamental changes in the

⁶³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1980, Supplement No. 3 (E/1980/13 and Corr.1), chap. XXVI.*