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FORMULATION AND PREPARATION OF A HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME TO BE UNDERTAKEN SUBSEQUENT TO THE CELEBRATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THE PROMOTION OF UNIVERSAL RESPECT FOR, AND OBSERVANCE OF, HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS FOR ALL WITHOUT DISTINCTION AS TO RACE, COLOUR, SEX, LANGUAGE OR RELIGION, IN PARTICULAR:

- (g) Other measures to strengthen the activities of the United Nations in promoting the full enjoyment of political, civil, economic, social and cultural rights, including the improvement of methods and techniques and such institutional and organizational arrangements as may be required

Text of resolution V adopted by the Second Committee at its 11th meeting on 8 May 1968

The International Conference on Human Rights,

Recalling resolution 428 (V) of 14 December 1950, in which the General Assembly called upon governments "to co-operate with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the performance of his functions concerning refugees falling under the competence of his Office, especially by:

- (a) Becoming parties to international conventions providing for the protection of refugees, and taking the necessary steps of implementation under such conventions;
- (b) Entering into special agreements with the High Commissioner for the execution of measures calculated to improve the situation of refugees and to reduce the number requiring protection;
- (c) Admitting refugees to their territories, not excluding those in the most destitute categories;
- (d) Assisting the High Commissioner in his efforts to promote the voluntary repatriation of refugees;

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(e) Promoting the assimilation of refugees, especially by facilitating their naturalization;

(f) Providing refugees with travel and other documents, especially documents which would facilitate their resettlement.

1. Considers that in the present International Year for Human Rights, all governments should concern themselves with the situation of refugees in the world, particularly with regard to the matters referred to in the above-mentioned preamble;
2. Calls upon Governments which have not yet done so to accede to the international instruments dealing with the protection of the rights of refugees and especially to the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, of 28 July 1951, and the Protocol to the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, of 31 January 1967.
3. Affirms the importance of the observance of the principle of non-refoulement embodied in the above-mentioned instruments and in the Declaration on Territorial Asylum adopted unanimously by the General Assembly in December 1967.