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HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS  
TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Draft Convention on the Suppression and Prevention  
of the Crime of Apartheid

Ghana, People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and  
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: draft  
resolution

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 2786 (XXVI), which emphasizes the need to take further effective measures with a view to the suppression and punishment of the crime of apartheid,

Recognizing that the preparation and adoption of an international instrument providing specific measures for the suppression and punishment of the crime of apartheid would have great importance in the struggle to eliminate the shameful phenomenon of the present-day world,

Taking note of resolution 4 (XXVIII) of the Commission on Human Rights, which contains, inter alia, a request to all Governments to communicate their comments and views concerning the draft convention and the draft protocol to the Secretary-General at the earliest possible date for consideration by the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session,

1. Emphasizes the great importance of the preparation and adoption of an international instrument for the suppression and punishment of the crime of

apartheid that could serve as a legal basis for uniting the efforts of all States with a view to eradicating the inhuman policies and practices of apartheid;

2. Considers it essential to complete at the earliest possible date the preparation of a draft international instrument for the suppression and punishment of the crime of apartheid;

3. Requests the General Assembly to consider this question as a matter of priority at its twenty-seventh session.

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