- 7. Requests the five regional commissions to hold, within available resources, regional review and appraisal meetings in preparation for the global review and appraisal;
- 8. Invites non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to submit their views, in writing, on their contribution to the 1990 session of the Commission, for presentation in consolidated form to the Commission at its thirty-third session;
- 9. Recommends that in 1990 the Commission make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the convening of a world conference to review and appraise progress in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies.

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ANNEX

Outline of the provisional agenda for the thirty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

- 1. Programming and co-ordination matters
- 2. Priority themes
- Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women:
 - (a) Progress at the national level;
 - (b) Progress at the regional level;
 - (c) Progress at the international level;
 - (d) Conclusions and recommendations

1988/20. Women and peace in Central America

The Economic and Social Council.

Recalling that in adopting the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, recognized that women must participate fully in all efforts to strengthen and maintain international peace and security and to promote international co-operation,³⁷

Recalling also that the World Conference also recognized that the situation of violence and destabilization in Central America hindered the fulfilment of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies, which were essential to the advancement of women.³⁸

Taking note of the agreement on "Procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace in Central America",³⁹ signed at the Esquipulas II summit meeting, at Guatemala City, on 7 August 1987, by the Presidents of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua,

Recognizing the valuable contribution of the Contadora Group and its Support Group to the process of bringing peace to Central America,

³⁹ Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-second Year. Supplement for July, August and September 1987, document S/19085, annex.

Convinced of the exceptional importance to the peoples of Central America, particularly the women, of achieving peace, reconciliation, development and social justice in the region, as well as ensuring their economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights,

Considering that the General Assembly, in its resolution 42/1 of 7 October 1987, requested the Secretary-General to promote a special plan of cooperation for Central America,

Eager to encourage the active participation of women in the promotion of peace and development in Central America,

- 1. Expresses its gratification at the strong desire for peace manifested by the Presidents of the Central American countries in their signing of the agreement on "Procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace in Central America";
- 2. Calls upon the Presidents of the Central American countries to continue their joint efforts to achieve peace in Central America, particularly the efforts aimed at establishing the Central American Parliament, in order to guarantee propitious conditions for the attainment in the region of the objectives of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, and requests the international community to support those efforts;
- 3. *Urges* all States to support the peace efforts, fully respecting the principles of self-determination of peoples and non-intervention;
- 4. Also urges the international community to ensure that programmes of technical, economic and financial co-operation for the region take account of the particular needs and interests of Central American women:
- 5. Recommends to the Secretary-General that the special plan of co-operation for Central America should include specific activities in support of the advancement of women in the region;
- 6. Exhorts the Governments of the Central American countries and of the countries of the Contadora Group and its Support Group to encourage and guarantee the full participation of women at all levels in the search for peace, pluralism, democracy and comprehensive development in the Central American region;
- 7. Urges national and international, governmental and non-governmental women's organizations to participate in and support actively the process of peace and development in Central America.

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1988/21. Updating of the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development in the light of the deterioration in the status of women in the developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that, in compliance with resolution 1986/64 of 23 July 1986, the Secretary-General submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women, at its thirty-second session, a first draft of

³⁷ Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. 1, sect. A, para. 240. ³⁸ Ibid., para. 247.