

Committee to submit its observations thereon to the Economic and Social Council at an appropriate time.

*16th plenary meeting
27 May 1988*

1988/34. Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery⁶¹ of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1988/42 of 8 March 1988,⁷

Recalling its resolutions 1982/20 of 4 May 1982 and 1983/30 of 26 May 1983 on the suppression of the traffic in persons and of the exploitation of the prostitution of others,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 38/107 of 16 December 1983 and 40/103 of 13 December 1985 on the prevention of prostitution,

Desiring to give further follow-up to the excellent report of its Special Rapporteur, Mr. J. Fernand-Laurent, on the suppression of the traffic in persons and the exploitation of the prostitution of others,⁶²

Commending the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and, in particular, its Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery for their work on contemporary forms of slavery,

Aware of the complexity of the issue of the suppression of the traffic in persons and of the exploitation of the prostitution of others and of the need for further co-ordination and co-operation to implement the recommendations made by the Special Rapporteur and by various United Nations bodies,

1. *Invites* all Member States to draw up a special programme for the prevention of child prostitution, the suppression of its exploitation and the social rehabilitation of its victims;

2. *Recommends* that the United Nations Children's Fund allocate technical and financial support to Member States that are developing countries to set up experimental programmes for the prevention of child prostitution and the social rehabilitation of its victims;

3. *Encourages* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to carry out the study on the legal and effective protection of minors from pornography that was recommended by the international meeting of experts held in Madrid from 18 to 21 March 1986;

4. *Invites* Member States that belong to the International Criminal Police Organization to re-

⁶¹ In its resolution 1988/42, the Commission on Human Rights endorsed the recommendation of its Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities that the name of the Working Group on Slavery be changed to Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery (see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1988, Supplement No. 2 (E/1988/12 and Corr.1)*, chap. II, sect. A).

⁶² E/1983/7 and Corr.1 and 2.

quest that organization to make the fight against the international traffic in children one of its priorities;

5. *Decides* to apply the provisions of the present resolution, where appropriate, to young women and recommends that the Secretary-General and Member States do likewise;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to urge the following bodies to send representatives to the sessions of the Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery: Commission on the Status of Women, Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat, United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations University, International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization, World Bank, International Monetary Fund and International Criminal Police Organization;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a survey of the recommendations made by the Working Group since its inception;

8. *Endorses* the recommendation made by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1988/42 that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities consider appointing a special rapporteur to review the implementation of the recommendations made and the appropriate measures taken by United Nations organs and specialized agencies, other international organizations and Member States and to submit recommendations with a view to achieving further progress in the prevention and suppression of slavery-like practices, the traffic in persons and the exploitation of the prostitution of others, as well as other contemporary forms of slavery;

9. *Decides*, in the light of the recommendations made in its resolution 1983/30 and in General Assembly resolutions 38/107 and 40/103, to consider the question of the suppression of the traffic in persons and of the exploitation of the prostitution of others at its first regular session of 1989 under the agenda item entitled "Human rights".

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1988/35. Study of the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1988/48 of 8 March 1988,⁷

Recalling the final report of Mr. J. R. Martínez Cobo, Special Rapporteur on the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations,⁶³ in which he recommended the organization of international seminars under the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights,

Recalling also the recommendations of the Second World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial

⁶³ E/CN.4/Sub.2/1986/7 and Add.1-4.

Discrimination, in particular those relating to the protection of indigenous rights and to the use of education and the mass media to combat racial discrimination,⁶⁴

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include the recognition and promotion of the rights of indigenous peoples in future United Nations activities under the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and to invite representatives of indigenous nations, peoples and communities, including non-governmental organizations, to participate in the planning and implementation of these activities;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to organize in 1988, as part of the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights, a seminar on the effects of racism and racial discrimination on the social and economic relations between indigenous peoples and States;

3. *Encourages* all States to ensure that educational and informational activities, including national celebrations, give an accurate interpretation of history and do not perpetuate or justify theories of racial superiority or the subjugation of indigenous or other peoples.

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1988/36. Draft declaration of principles on the rights of indigenous populations

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1. *Requests* the Chairman/Rapporteur of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, Mrs. Erica-Irene Daes, to prepare a working paper containing a set of principles and preambular paragraphs for inclusion in a draft declaration of principles on the rights of indigenous populations, for consideration by the Working Group at its sixth session, in 1988;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give all necessary assistance to the Chairman/Rapporteur in the completion of this task.

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1988/37. Proposal to proclaim an international year of the world's indigenous populations

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1982/34 of 7 May 1982, by which it authorized the establishment of a working group on indigenous populations with the mandate to review developments pertaining to the promotion and protection of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous populations, giving special attention to the evolution of standards,

⁶⁴ See *Report of the Second World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, Geneva, 1-12 August 1983* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.XIV.4 and corrigendum), chap. II.

Recalling also its resolution 1986/34 of 23 May 1986,

Noting that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, in its resolution 1987/16 of 2 September 1987,⁵⁸ endorsed the recommendation that the Working Group on Indigenous Populations should make every effort to complete a draft declaration on indigenous rights as soon as possible,

Conscious of the continuing struggle of indigenous populations throughout the world to enjoy their inalienable human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Recommends that the General Assembly should, at an appropriate time, proclaim an international year of the world's indigenous populations.

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1988/38. Summary of arbitrary executions

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,⁶ which proclaims the right to life, liberty and security of person,

Having regard to the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,³ in which it is stated that every human being has the inherent right to life, that this right shall be protected by law, and that no one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his life,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 34/175 of 17 December 1979, in which the Assembly reaffirmed that mass and flagrant violations of human rights were of special concern to the United Nations and urged the Commission on Human Rights to take timely and effective action in existing and future cases of mass and flagrant violations of human rights,

Mindful of General Assembly resolutions 36/22 of 9 November 1981, 37/182 of 17 December 1982, 38/96 of 16 December 1983, 39/110 of 14 December 1984, 40/143 of 13 December 1985, 41/144 of 4 December 1986 and 42/141 of 7 December 1987,

Recalling resolution 1982/13 of 7 September 1982 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,⁶⁵ in which the Sub-Commission recommended that effective measures should be adopted to prevent summary or arbitrary executions,

Reaffirming its resolution 1984/50 of 25 May 1984 and the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty annexed thereto, which were endorsed by the Seventh United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders in its resolution 15,⁶⁶ and welcoming the ongoing work of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on summary and arbitrary executions,

⁶⁵ See E/CN.4/1983/4 and Corr.1, chap. XXI, sect. A.
⁶⁶ *Seventh United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, Milan, 26 August-6 September 1985: Report prepared by the Secretariat* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.86.IV.1), chap. I, sect. E.