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FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION**

**Draft report of the Commission**

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1. The Commission considered agenda item 16, concurrently with items 17, 18, 19 and 20, at its 52nd meeting, on 23 April, and at its 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002.
2. For the documents issued under agenda item 16, see annex VI to the present report. For a list of all resolutions and decisions adopted by the Commission and Chairperson's statements, by agenda item, see annex V.
3. In the general debate on agenda item 16, considered concurrently with items 17, 18, 19 and 20, statements were made by members of the Commission and non-governmental organizations. For a detailed list of speakers, see annex III to the present report.

**(a) Report and draft decisions**

4. At the 51st meeting, on 23 April 2002, Mr. David Weissbrodt, Chairperson of the fifty-fourth session of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, introduced his report (E/CN.4/2002/99).

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5. At the 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002, the observer for Luxembourg introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.87, sponsored by Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, the Russian Federation, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Andorra, Armenia, Chile, Malta, Switzerland and Ukraine subsequently joined the sponsors.
6. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text, see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/66.
7. In the view of the adoption of resolution 2002/66, no action was taken on draft decision 8, and draft decision 9, as recommended by the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (see E/CN.4/2002/2-E/CN.4/Sub.2/2001/40, chap. 1).

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8. At the 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002, the representative of Nigeria introduced draft decision E/CN.4/2002/L.114, sponsored by Nigeria (on behalf of the States members of the African Group). Cuba and Uruguay subsequently joined the sponsors.

9. A statement in connection with the draft decisions was made by the representative of Canada.

10. At the request of the representative of Canada, a recorded vote was taken on the draft decision, which was adopted by 52 to none, with 1 abstention. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:* Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Zambia.

*Against:* None.

*Abstaining:* Canada.

11. For the text of the decision, see chapter II, section B, decision 2002/....

**(b) Election of members**

12. The Commission had before it a note by the Secretary-General containing nominations of candidates for election to membership of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and biographical data on the candidates (E/CN.4/2002/100 and Add.1-2).

13. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1334 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 and 1986/35 of 23 May 1986, and decisions 1978/21 of 5 May 1978 and 1987/102 of 6 February 1987, the Commission, at its forty-fourth session (39th meeting, held on 29 February 1988), elected by secret ballot 26 members of the Sub-Commission from nominations of experts made by States Members of the United Nations, on the following basis: (a) seven members from African States; (b) five members from Asian States; (c) three members from Eastern European States; (d) five members from Latin American and Caribbean States; (e) six members from Western European and other States.

14. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/35, members of the Sub-Commission are elected for a term of four years, and half of the membership and the corresponding alternates, if any, are elected every two years.

15. As the term of office of half of the membership of the Sub-Commission had expired, the Commission was called upon to hold an election of Sub-Commission members and alternates on the following basis: three members from African States, three members from Asian States, one member from Eastern European States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States, and three members from Western European and other States.

16. At its 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002, the Commission elected, without a vote, 13 members of the Sub-Commission and their corresponding alternates, if any, for a period of four years. The following candidates were elected:

African States

Ms. Lalaina Rakotoarisoa	Madagascar
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Mr. Rui Baltazar Dos Santos Alves	Mozambique
Mr. Cristiano Dos Santos*	

Mr. El Hadji Guissé	Senegal
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Asian States

Mr. Shiqiu Chen	China
Mr. Xinsheng Liu*	

Mr. Soli Jehangir Sorabjee	India
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Mr. Abdul Sattar	Pakistan
Mr. Khalid Aziz Babar*	

Eastern European States

Mr. Vladimir A. Kartashkin	Russian Federation
Mr. Oleg S. Malguinov*	

Latin American and Caribbean States

Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro	Brazil
Ms. Marilla Sardenberg Zelner Gonçalves*	

Mr. José Bengoa	Chile
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Ms. Florizelle O'Connor	Jamaica
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Western European and other States

Mr. Emmanuel Decaux  
Ms. Michèle Picard\*

France

Ms. Kalliopi K. Koufa  
Mr. Nikolaos Zaikos\*

Greece

Ms. Françoise Hampson

United Kingdom of  
Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland

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