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Draft report of the Commission

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- 1. The Commission considered agenda item 7 at its 12th to 14th meetings, on 22 and 25 March, and at its 56th meeting, on 25 April 2002.
- 2. For the documents issued under agenda item 7, 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. At the 12th meeting, on 22 March 2002, the Chairperson-Rapporteur of the Open-ended working group established to monitor and review progress made in the promotion and implementation of the right to development, Mr. Mohamed-Salah Dembri, introduced the report of the working group on its first and second sessions (E/CN.4/2002/28).
- 4. At the same meeting, the independent expert on the right to development, Mr. Arjun Sengupta, made a statement.
- 5. In the general debate on agenda item 7, statements were made by members of the Commission, observers and representatives of non-governmental organizations. For a detailed list of speakers, see annex III to the present report.

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- 6. At the 56th meeting, on 25 April 2002, the representative of South Africa introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.14, sponsored by South Africa (on behalf of States members of the Non-Aligned Movement) and China. Armenia, Brazil, El Salvador, Haiti, Mauritius, Mexico, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation and Uruguay subsequently joined the sponsors.
- 7. A statement in connection with the draft resolution was made by the representative of Venezuela.
- 8. In accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the attention of the Commission was drawn to the estimated administrative and programme budget implications of the draft resolution.
- 9. Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Canada and Spain (on behalf of the States members of the European Union that are members of the Commission Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; the associated countries that are members of the Commission the Czech Republic and Poland aligned themselves with the statement).

10. At the request of the representative of Spain, a recorded vote was taken on draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.14, which was adopted by 38 votes to none, with 15 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Bahrain, Brazil, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile,

China, Costa Rica, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia,

Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia,

Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Uganda, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam,

Zambia.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Austria, Belgium, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany,

Italy, Japan, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Spain, Sweden,

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

11. For the text of the resolution, see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/69.
