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PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION

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Ms. Hampson, Mr. Kartashkin, Ms. Koufa, Mr. Decaux, Ms. Motoc,
Ms. O'Connor, Mr. Ogurtsov, Mr. Park, Mr. Sattar, Mr. Sorabjee, Ms. Warzazi,
Mr. Weissbrodt, Ms. Yimer, Mr. Yokota and Ms. Zerrougui: draft resolution**

2002/... Indigenous peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources

The Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights,

Recalling its resolution 2001/10 of 15 August 2001 in which it requested

Ms. Erica-Irene Daes to prepare a working paper on indigenous peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources, which is relevant to her study on indigenous peoples and their relationship to land (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2001/21),

Reaffirming the urgent need to recognize, promote and protect more effectively the rights of indigenous peoples, including their human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Having heard the statement by Ms. Daes in presenting her working paper (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2002/23), in which she explained its importance and usefulness,

1. *Expresses its deep appreciation* to Ms. Erica-Irene Daes for her important and comprehensive working paper;

2. *Decides* to appoint Mrs. Daes as Special Rapporteur to undertake a study on indigenous peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources based on her working paper, and requests the Special Rapporteur to submit a preliminary report to the Sub-Commission at its fifty-fifth session and her final report at its fifty-sixth session;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with the necessary assistance to enable her to carry out her study;

4. *Recommends* the following draft decision to the Commission on Human Rights for adoption:

“The Commission on Human Rights, taking note of Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights resolution 2002/... of ... August 2002, endorses the Sub-Commission's request to appoint Mrs. Erica-Irene Daes as Special Rapporteur to undertake a study on indigenous peoples' permanent sovereignty over natural resources based on her working paper (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2002/23), and its request to the Special Rapporteur to submit a preliminary report to the Sub-Commission at its fifty-fifth session and her final report at its fifty-sixth session. The Commission also endorses the request to the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with all necessary assistance to enable her to carry out her study.”
