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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR SHELTER TO THE YEAR 2000

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman,
Mr. José Fernández (Philippines), on the basis
of informal consultations held on resolution 11/1
of the Commission on Human Settlements

On the basis of informal consultations, the Vice-Chairman submits the following draft resolution, which the Commission on Human Settlements, in its resolution 11/1, 1/ recommended for adoption by the General Assembly at its forty-third session:

International Year of Shelter for the Homeless

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 37/221 of 20 December 1982, in which it proclaimed the year 1987 International Year of Shelter for the Homeless,

Also recalling, in particular, the objectives of the Year as contained in its resolution 37/221,

Having considered the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) entitled "International Year of

1/ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/43/8), annex I, sect. A.

Shelter for the Homeless: activities and achievements", 2/ and the comments of the Commission on Human Settlements and of the Economic and Social Council on that report,

1. Welcomes the success achieved in attaining the objectives of the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless;

2. Takes note with appreciation of the numerous and encouraging reports, which were received from a total of 130 countries as at 31 December 1987, on activities, policies, programmes and projects undertaken by those countries within the context of the Year and towards the successful attainment of its objectives;

3. Commends Governments, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations for the efforts and resources that were effectively mobilized for the programme of activities for the Year;

4. Requests Governments to sustain the momentum generated during the programme for the Year and to continue implementing concrete and innovative programmes aimed at improving the shelter and neighbourhoods of the poor and the disadvantaged;

5. Requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) to continue to assist Governments in their efforts towards that goal, within the framework of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000; 3/

6. Recommends that Governments indicate, if possible on World Habitat Day, the concrete actions to be taken and the specific targets to be achieved during each successive year;

7. Also recommends that Governments maintain, where appropriate, the national focal points and national committees for the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless for the purpose of monitoring and assessing the progress achieved in improving the shelter and neighbourhoods of the poor and the disadvantaged;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly periodically informed, through the Economic and Social Council, on progress achieved in improving the shelter and neighbourhoods of the poor and the disadvantaged.

2/ HS/C/11/2.

3/ A/43/8/Add.1.