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REVIEW AND CO-ORDINATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMMES OF  
ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AND  
CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN  
THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Report of the Third Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 21 September 1979, the General Assembly decided to include in the agenda of its thirty-fourth session the item entitled "Review and co-ordination of human rights programmes of organizations in the United Nations system and co-operation with other international programmes in the field of human rights" and to allocate it to the Third Committee.
2. The Committee considered this item at its 24th to 30th meetings, from 22 to 30 October. The views expressed by the representatives of Member States on this item are contained in the summary records of those meetings (A/C.3/34/SR.24-30).
3. The Committee had before it the relevant chapter of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its thirty-fifth session. 1/
4. At the 24th meeting, on 22 October, the Director of the Division of Human Rights introduced the item (see A/C.3/34/SR.24).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/34/L.17

5. At the 30th meeting, on 30 October, the representative of the United States of America introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/34/L.17) on behalf of Ecuador,

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1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 6 (E/1979/36), chap. IX.

Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United States of America, subsequently joined by Colombia.

6. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States of America orally revised the text.

7. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as revised, without a vote (see para. 8).

### III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

8. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Review and co-ordination of human rights programmes of organizations in the United Nations system and co-operation with other international programmes in the field of human rights

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/54 of 14 December 1978 concerning review and co-ordination of human rights programmes of organizations in the United Nations system and co-operation with other international programmes in the field of human rights,

Noting that, pursuant to that resolution, the General Assembly will resume discussion of the subject of review and co-ordination of human rights programmes upon receipt of the report of the Commission on Human Rights as requested in paragraph 2 of the resolution,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 22 (XXIV) of 14 March 1979, by which the Commission decided to carry out the study asked for by the General Assembly in its resolution 33/54, on the basis of preparatory material to be submitted to the Commission at its thirty-seventh session, and of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/36 of 10 May 1979 in which the Council requested it to do so,

Recognizing the importance of full and timely co-operation by concerned specialized agencies and other organs and bodies within and related to the United Nations system, in order to permit the Commission on Human Rights to carry out its work as scheduled,

Noting further that, by its resolution 1979/36, the Economic and Social Council decided to add to the terms of reference of the Commission on Human Rights the mandate to assist the Council in the co-ordination of activities concerning human rights in the United Nations system,

1. Welcomes the action decided on by the Commission on Human Rights and by the Economic and Social Council in response to General Assembly resolution 33/54;

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2. Urges those specialized agencies and other organs and bodies within and related to the United Nations system which are, according to their explicit mandates, concerned with the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms to offer their full co-operation to the Secretary-General in his preparation of the preparatory materials which will be the basis for the study to be carried out by the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session;
  3. Requests the Commission on Human Rights to give priority to the completion of its study at its thirty-seventh session in 1981;
  4. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled "Review and co-ordination of human rights programmes of organizations in the United Nations system and co-operation with other international programmes in the field of human rights" and to give high priority to the consideration of the item at that session.
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