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**RACISM, RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, XENOPHOBIA
AND ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION**

Belarus,* Cuba and the Russian Federation: draft resolution

**2005/... Inadmissibility of certain practices that contribute to fuelling
contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination,
xenophobia and related intolerance**

The Commission on Human Rights,

Guided by the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and other relevant human rights instruments,

Recalling the provisions of its resolution 2004/16 of 16 April 2004,

Recalling also the Charter of the Nürnberg Tribunal and the Judgement of the Tribunal, which recognized the Waffen SS organization and all its integral parts as criminal and declared it responsible for many war crimes and crimes against humanity,

* In accordance with rule 69, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

Recalling further the relevant provisions of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance on 8 September 2001 (A/CONF.189/12 and Corr.1), in particular its paragraph 2 of the Declaration and paragraph 86 of the Programme of Action,

Recalling the study undertaken by the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (E/CN.4/2004/61) and taking note of his report (E/CN.4/2005/18 and Add.1-6),

Alarmed, in this regard, at the spread in many parts of the world of various extremist political parties, movements and groups, including neo-Nazis and skinhead groups,

1. *Reaffirms* the provision of the Durban Declaration, in which States condemned the persistence and resurgence of neo-Nazism, neo-Fascism and violent nationalist prejudice and stated that these phenomena could never be justified in any instance or in any circumstances;

2. *Expresses deep concern* over the fact of the glorification of the Nazi movement and former members of the Waffen SS organization, including through erecting monuments and memorials as well as holding public demonstrations;

3. *Stresses* that the practices described above do injustice to the memory of the countless victims of crimes against humanity committed in the Second World War, in particular those committed by the SS organization, and poison the minds of young people, in particular in the year of the sixtieth anniversary of victory in the Second World War and the liberation of Auschwitz and other concentration camps, and that these practices are incompatible with the obligations of States Members of the United Nations under its Charter and are incompatible with the goals and principles of the Organization;

4. *Also stresses* that such practices fuel contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and contribute to the spread and multiplication of various extremist political parties, movements and groups, including neo-Nazis and skinhead groups;

5. *Notes with concern* the increase in the number of racist incidents in several countries and the rise of skinhead groups, which have been responsible for many of these incidents, as noted by the Special Rapporteur;

6. *Emphasizes* the need to take the necessary measures to put an end to the practices described above and calls upon States to take more effective measures to combat these phenomena and the extremist movements, which pose a real threat to democratic values;

7. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur to continue to reflect on this issue and to make relevant recommendations in his report to the Commission at its sixty-second session, to seek and to take into account in this regard the views of Governments as well as non-governmental organizations;

8. *Invites* Governments as well as non-governmental organizations to cooperate fully with the Special Rapporteur in the exercise of the aforementioned task;

9. *Decides* to consider this issue at its sixty-second session under the same agenda item.
