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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL
FREEDOMS IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD, WITH PARTICULAR
REFERENCE TO COLONIAL AND OTHER DEPENDENT
COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

Canada: draft resolution

The Commission on Human Rights,

Mindful of its role in discharging the responsibilities of the United Nations in promoting and encouraging respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all,

Disturbed by large-scale exoduses of persons and groups from certain States and territories,

Conscious of the human sufferings that result from such large-scale exoduses,

Concerned by allegations that such large-scale exoduses of persons and groups are the result of violations of human rights within the States and territories of origin,

Considering the implications of such large-scale exoduses for other States and for the international community as a whole,

1. Calls upon all States to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and with various international instruments;
2. Further calls upon all States, particularly those directly involved in situations in which there are large-scale exoduses of persons or groups, to co-operate fully with other States, intergovernmental and humanitarian organizations in order to alleviate the conditions which may precipitate such exoduses and to find enduring solutions for such situations;
3. Requests the Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights to appoint a Special Rapporteur to investigate situations which have led to large-scale exoduses from

certain States and territories in order to determine the possible relationship between violations of human rights and these exoduses, and to present a progress report to the Commission thereupon at its thirty-sixth session;

4. Authorizes the Special Rapporteur to establish appropriate contacts with the Governments of States concerned and, with the permission of such Governments, to visit such countries for the purpose of studying situations on the spot;

5. Further requests the Special Rapporteur, in preparing his report, to take into account the views of Governments, intergovernmental organizations, and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council;

6. Decides to consider the report of the Special Rapporteur on human rights and large-scale exoduses of persons and groups at its thirty-sixth session.