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COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
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Agenda item 11(a)

FURTHER PROMOTION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS,
INCLUDING (a) QUESTION OF THE PROGRAMME AND METHODS OF WORK OF THE
COMMISSION; ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES AND WAYS AND MEANS WITHIN THE
UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVE ENJOYMENT OF
HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

Australia, Colombia, India, Nigeria, Yugoslavia: draft resolution

The Commission on Human Rights,

Recalling that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights calls on every individual and every organ of society to strive by teaching and education to promote respect for the rights and freedoms set out in the Declaration,

Recalling also that the Member States have sought in marking the thirtieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to promote wider public understanding of human rights through education programmes as envisaged in the Declaration,

Believing that progress in the promotion of respect for and protection of human rights is assisted by a favourable world public opinion,

Believing further that a prerequisite for such a development is a high level of knowledge, understanding and acceptance of the requirements of the Charter, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and of the relevant covenants and conventions,

Bearing in mind its work on the question of further promotion and encouragement of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Bearing in mind also the work of other United Nations bodies on the promotion and protection of human rights,

Convinced of the need for the Commission on Human Rights to take an active part in contributing to international co-operation for the promotion of respect for human rights, on the basis of the principles and purposes laid down in the Charter,

Mindful of the value of the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights,

Aware of the importance of United Nations Information Centres and the Office of Public Information in the dissemination of publicity concerning United Nations activities in the field of human rights,

1. Urges all Governments to consider action to give publicity to United Nations activities in the field of human rights, with particular reference to the work of the Commission on Human Rights;
 2. Requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures further to develop public information activities in the field of human rights and, with this purpose in mind, to present a report to the thirty-sixth session of the Commission on Human Rights containing a summary of the existing public information activities in the field of human rights and proposals for their further development;
 3. Requests further the Secretary-General to utilize the facilities of the United Nations Information Centres as well as of the Office of Public Information to give publicity to United Nations activities in the field of human rights, and to disseminate the International Bill of Rights in as many languages as possible;
 4. Decides to consider at its thirty-sixth session the question of ways and means of further developing public information activities in the field of human rights.
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