

Welcoming the decision of the General Assembly, in its resolution 37/53 of 3 December 1982, to proclaim the period 1983-1992 United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons,

Deeply concerned that serious violations of human rights remain a significant cause of temporary and permanent disability,

1. Encourages the efforts of the Secretary-General to obtain the views of United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and other concerned non-governmental organizations on ways and means of preventing serious violations of human rights which may cause disabilities;

2. Requests Governments to pay particular attention to ways and means of strengthening procedures whereby disabled persons may seek redress for human rights violations in accordance with resolution 1982/1 of 7 September 1982 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities;⁵³

3. Invites Governments, in consultation with organizations of and for disabled persons, to inform the Secretary-General of their views and policies on these issues so that he can transmit them to the Sub-Commission, in accordance with its resolution 1982/1, for consideration at its thirty-seventh session;

4. Requests the Sub-Commission to appoint a special rapporteur to undertake a thorough study, in consultation with the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, of the causal connection between serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms and disability and of the progress made to alleviate problems, and to submit its views and recommendations, through the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on Social Development, to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1986;

5. Decides exceptionally to include in the agenda of its first regular session of 1986 a special item on disabled persons to coincide with the approach, in 1987, of the mid-point of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons, in order to allow for a full debate of the Special Rapporteur's report and the views and recommendations of the Sub-Commission, the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on Social Development on these and related issues.

20th plenary meeting
24 May 1984

1984/27. Conscientious objection to military service

The Economic and Social Council

1. Decides:

(a) That the report prepared by Mr. Eide and Mr. Mubanga-Chipoya on conscientious objection to military service⁵⁴ should be printed and given the widest possible distribution:

⁵³ See E/CN.4/1983/4 and Corr.1, chap. XXI, sect. A.

⁵⁴ E/CN.4/Sub.2/1983/30.

(b) To transmit the report for comments and observations to Governments and relevant United Nations bodies and specialized agencies, other inter-governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Commission on Human Rights at its forty-first session on those comments and observations and on other significant developments regarding the human rights of conscientious objectors;

3. Requests the Commission on Human Rights to study the report on conscientious objection to military service, including the recommendations contained therein, as well as the report of the Secretary-General containing the comments and observations, under the item entitled "The role of youth in the promotion and protection of human rights, including the question of conscientious objection to military service".

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1984/28. Exploitation of child labour

The Economic and Social Council

Requests the Secretary-General to organize, in close co-operation with the International Labour Office, a seminar on ways and means of achieving the elimination of the exploitation of child labour in all parts of the world, within the framework of the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights.

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1984/29. Study of discrimination in respect of the right of everyone to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Study of Discrimination in Respect of the Right of Everyone to Leave Any Country, Including His Own, and to Return to His Country,⁵⁵ submitted to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at its fifteenth session, in 1963, by the Special Rapporteur, Mr. José D. Inglés, and the draft principles respecting this right adopted by the Sub-Commission at the same session,⁵⁶

Also recalling Sub-Commission resolution 7 (XXXIV) of 9 September 1981,⁵⁷ by which the Sub-Commission requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its thirty-fifth session a concise note informing it of the consideration given by the Commission on Human Rights and the Economic and Social Council to the report on the aforementioned study,

⁵⁵ United Nations publication, Sales No. 64.XIV.2.

⁵⁶ See E/CN.4/846 and Corr.1, chap. VI.

⁵⁷ See E/CN.4/1512, chap. XX, sect. A.