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# PREPARATION OF AN INSTRUMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS BASED ON SOLIDARITY

### Report of the Third Committee

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 22 September 1989, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "Preparation of an instrument on human rights based on solidarity" and to allocate it to the Third Committee.

2. The Committee considered the item jointly with items 95, 98, 106, 107, 108, 112 and 114 at its 36th to 43rd, 50th, 54th and 56th meetings, on 8 to 10, 13 to 15, 21, 24 and 27 November 1989. An account of the Committee's discussion is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/44/SR.36-43, 50, 54 and 56).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Letter dated 19 July 1989 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Zimbabwe to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/44/409-S/20743 and Corr.1 and 2);

 (b) Letter dated 22 September 1989 from the Permanent Representative of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/44/551-S/20870);

(c) Letter dated 2 November 1989, from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General  $(\lambda/44/706)$ .

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4. At the 36th meeting, on 8 November, the Under-Secretary-General for Human Rights made an introductory statement (see A/C.3/44/SR.36).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/44/L.61 and Rev.1

5. At the 50th meeting, on 21 November, the representative of <u>Colombia</u> introduced a draft resolution  $(\lambda/C.3/44/L.61)$  entitled "Human rights on solidarity".

6. At its 54th meeting, on 24 November, the Committee had before it a revised draft resolution (A/C.3/44/L.61/Rev.1).

7. At the same meeting, following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee decided to postpone consideration of the revised draft resolution to a later meeting (see A/C.3/44/SR.54).

8. At the 56th meeting, on 27 November, the representative of <u>Colombia</u> introduced the revised draft resolution (A/C.3/44/L.61/Rev.1) entitled "Human rights based on solidarity".

9. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/44/L.61/Rev.1 without a vote (see para. 11).

10. Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and the Federal Republic of Germany.

## III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

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

#### Human rights based on solidarity

#### The General Assembly,

<u>Reaffirming</u> the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1/ the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 2/ and other international instruments adopted by the United Nations with reference to human rights,

<u>Stressing</u> that respect for the inherent dignity and for the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world,

2/ See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

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<sup>1/</sup> Resolution 217 A (III).

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<u>Convinced</u> that the severe suffering of innumerable human beings through the world, particularly those in conditions of extreme poverty, calls for the strengthening of a common sense of human solidarity,

1. <u>Requests</u> the Commission on Human Rights to obtain the views on those matters of States, the specialized agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, and of other international organizations, including non-governmental organizations, and to study the question;

2. <u>Decides</u> to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-sixth session an item entitled "Human rights based on solidarity".

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