



Twenty-first session

ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE  
ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION\*

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Secretary-General's report on measures taken in implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (E/4174 and Add.1, Add.2 and Corr.1, and Add.3-5) was presented in the first instance to the Economic and Social Council, as requested by the Council in resolution 1076 (XXXIX), adopted at its 1392nd plenary meeting, on 28 July 1965.
2. The report is now drawn to the attention of the General Assembly in accordance with resolution 2017 (XX), adopted by the Assembly at its 1366th plenary meeting, on 1 November 1965.
3. The report, when presented to the Council, contained information available up to 30 June 1966. Further information, received after that date, is to be circulated in addenda to document E/4174.
4. The Council considered the report at its forty-first session, together with chapter VI of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its twenty-second session,<sup>1/</sup> relating to measures for the speedy implementation of the Declaration, and resolution 5 (XXII) of the Commission.<sup>2/</sup> In resolution 1146 (XLI), adopted at its 1441st plenary meeting, on 2 August 1966, the Council recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution on measures taken in

\* Item 58 (a) of the provisional agenda.

<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 8 (E/4184).

<sup>2/</sup> Ibid., para. 389.

implementation of the Declaration. The text of Council resolution 1146 (XLI) is annexed hereto.

5. As regards the proposed seminar on the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination, referred to in the fourth preambular paragraph of the draft resolution, the Secretary-General intends to inform the General Assembly as soon as a Government has offered to act as host to such a seminar.

6. In accordance with operative paragraph 3 of section II of Council resolution 1146 (XLI), the Secretary-General will make available to the General Assembly the report of the seminar on apartheid.

ANNEX

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AT ITS  
1441ST PLENARY MEETING, ON 2 AUGUST 1966

1146 (XLI). Measures taken in implementation of the United Nations  
Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1076 (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965 in which it requested the Commission on Human Rights to include in the agenda of its twenty-second session the question "Measures for the speedy implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination", and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Council, at its forty-first session, a further report on action taken in implementation of the Declaration,

Having considered chapter VI of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its twenty-second session,<sup>a/</sup> relating to measures for the speedy implementation of the Declaration, and resolution 5 (XXII) of the Commission,<sup>b/</sup>

I

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 1905 (XVIII) of 20 November 1963 and 2017 (XX) of 1 November 1965 on the subject of measures to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,

"Recalling also its resolution 2106 (XX) of 21 December 1965, in which it adopted and opened for signature the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,

"Noting the information in the report of the Secretary-General<sup>c/</sup> furnished in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1076 (XXXIX) and General Assembly resolution 2017 (XX), on the action taken

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a/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 8 (E/4184).

b/ Ibid., para. 389.

c/ E/4174 and addenda.

by Member States, the United Nations, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental regional organization directed towards the implementation of the Declaration,

"Noting also that a seminar on the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination is to be held, under the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights, in 1968,

"Noting further that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities is undertaking a special study of racial discrimination in the political, economic, social and cultural fields, and has already appointed a Special Rapporteur for that purpose,

"Reaffirming that racial discrimination and apartheid are denials of human freedom and offences to human dignity,

"Recognizing that racial discrimination and apartheid, wherever they are practised, constitute a serious impediment to economic and social development,

"Concerned that racial discrimination and apartheid, despite the decisive condemnation of them by the United Nations, continue to exist in some countries and territories,

"Convinced of the necessity of further measures to attain the goal of the complete elimination of all forms of racial discrimination and apartheid,

"1. Condemns, wherever they exist, all policies and practices of apartheid, racial discrimination and segregation, including the practices of discrimination inherent in colonialism;

"2. Reiterates that such policies and practices on the part of any Member State are incompatible with the obligations assumed by it under the Charter of the United Nations;

"3. Calls again upon all States in which racial discrimination or apartheid is practised to comply speedily and faithfully with the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and with the above-mentioned resolutions of the General Assembly, and to take all necessary steps, including legislative measures, for this purpose;

"4. Calls upon all eligible States, without delay, to sign and ratify or to accede to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;

"5. Recommends to Member States that they initiate, where appropriate, programmes of action to eliminate racial discrimination and apartheid, including, in particular, the promotion of equal opportunities for educational

and vocational training, and guarantees for the enjoyment, without distinction on the grounds of race, colour, or ethnic origin, of basic human rights such as the rights to vote, to equality in the administration of justice, to equal economic opportunities and to equal access to social services;

"6. Affirms the importance, in combating discriminatory practices, of education directed toward removing prejudices and erroneous beliefs which encourage such practices, such as the superiority of one race over another;

"7. Requests the Member States which have not yet replied to the Secretary-General's inquiry as to the measures they have taken to implement the Declaration to do so without delay."

## II

1. Decides to include the question of measures taken in implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination in the agenda of the forty-third session of the Council;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Council, in time for consideration at its forty-third session, a further report on the progress made in the implementation of the Declaration;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to ensure that the General Assembly, when it examines, at its twenty-first session, questions relating to apartheid and measures for the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, shall have at its disposal the report of the seminar on apartheid to be held in August 1966;

4. Further requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to make available to the Council, at its forty-third session, the above-mentioned report of the seminar on apartheid.

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