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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Effective action against the gross and persistent violation
of human rights

Costa Rica, Denmark, Lesotho, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Sweden
and Uganda: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Mindful of the importance given in the Charter of the United Nations to promoting and encouraging respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion,

Recognizing that in accordance with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the ideal of free human beings enjoying civil and political freedom and freedom from fear and want can only be achieved if conditions are created whereby everybody may enjoy his civil and political rights, as well as his economic, social and cultural rights,

Conscious of the responsibility of the United Nations, expressed inter alia in resolution 32/130, in dealing with situations of gross and persistent violations of human rights,

Believing that disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind,

Recalling the statements made in the present session of the General Assembly by representatives of countries which have recently experienced gross and persistent violations of human rights,

1. Expresses deep satisfaction that during the past year several situations of gross and persistent violations of human rights have been resolved;

2. Notes with appreciation the assistance being offered by the Secretary-General and by various United Nations bodies to countries which have recently experienced situations of gross and persistent violations of human rights;
 3. Reaffirms that gross and persistent violations of human rights are of special concern to the United Nations;
 4. Urges the appropriate United Nations bodies to take timely and effective action in existing and future cases of gross and persistent violations of human rights;
 5. Draws attention to the part that the good offices role of the Secretary-General can play in such circumstances.
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