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QUESTION OF A CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bhutan, Bulgaria, Byelorussian SSR, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Ecuador, France, Greece, Guatemala, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, India, Jordan, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Yugoslavia: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 33/166 of 20 December 1978, entitled "Question of a convention on the rights of the child" and 34/4 of 18 October 1979, entitled "International Year of the Child",

Bearing in mind resolutions 20 (XXXIV) of 8 March 1978, 19 (XXXV) of 14 March 1979 and 36 (XXXVI) of 12 March 1980 of the Commission on Human Rights as well as Economic and Social Council resolutions 1978/18 of 5 May 1978 and 1978/40 of 1 August 1978, and its decision 1980/138 of 2 May 1980,

Aware of the widespread interest during the International Year of the Child in working out an international convention on the rights of the child and of the important role the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund have to play in the subject-matter concerned,

Noting further progress in discussions on and elaboration of such a draft convention by the Commission on Human Rights,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the work so far accomplished and the spirit of co-operation in elaborating a convention on the rights of the child;
2. Welcomes Economic and Social Council decision 1980/138 of 2 May 1980, by which the Council authorized an open-ended working group of the Commission on

Human Rights to meet for a period of one week prior to the thirty-seventh session of the Commission to complete the work on the draft convention;

3. Requests the Commission on Human Rights, at its thirty-seventh session, to continue to give high priority to the question of completing the draft convention on the rights of the child;

4. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled "Question of a convention on the rights of the child".
