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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Algeria, Bangladesh, Barbados, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Finland, Greece, Guatemala, Italy, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, Portugal, Senegal, Somalia, Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, Yugoslavia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution

Draft International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming once more the permanent validity of the principles and standards set forth in the basic instruments regarding the international protection of human rights, in particular in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1/ the International Covenants on Human Rights, 2/ the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination 3/ and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, 4/

Bearing in mind the principles and standards established within the framework of the International Labour Organization and the importance of the task carried out in connection with migrant workers and their families in other specialized agencies and in various organs of the United Nations,

1/ Resolution 217 A (III).
2/ Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.
3/ Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.
4/ Resolution 34/180, annex.

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Reiterating that in spite of the existence of an already established body of principles and standards, there is a need to make further efforts to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers and their families,

Recalling its resolution 34/172 of 17 December 1979, in which it decided to establish a working group open to all Member States to elaborate an international convention on the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and their families,


Having examined the report of the Working Group on its ninth inter-sessional meeting, held from 29 May to 8 June 1990, with a view to completing the remaining articles and considering the results of the technical review of the draft Convention entrusted to the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat in accordance with resolution 44/155,

Bearing in mind that the Working Group was able to achieve its goals in accordance with the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Working Group for having concluded the elaboration of the draft of an International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families;

2. Adopts, and opens for signature, ratification and accession the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families contained in the annex to the present resolution;

3. Calls upon all Member States to consider signing and ratifying or acceding to the Convention as a matter of priority, and expresses the hope that it will come into force at an early date;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to provide all facilities and assistance necessary for the dissemination of information on the Convention;

5. Invites United Nations agencies and organizations, as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to intensify their efforts with a view to disseminating information on the Convention and to promoting understanding thereof;

6. **Requests** the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session a report on the status of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families;

7. **Decides** to consider the report of the Secretary-General at its forty-sixth session under an item entitled "Implementation of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families".