Acknowledging the fact that a number of States have established legal regulations which are suited to prevent the activities of Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist groups and organizations,

Noting again with deep concern that the proponents of Fascist ideologies have, in a number of countries, intensified their activities and are increasingly co-ordinating them on an international scale,

1. Again condemns all totalitarian or other ideologies and practices, in particular Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences;

2. Urges all States to draw attention to the threats to democratic institutions by the above-mentioned ideologies and practices and to consider taking measures, in accordance with their national constitutional systems and with the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenants on Human Rights, to prohibit or otherwise deter activities by groups or organizations or whoever is practising those ideologies;

3. Calls upon the appropriate specialized agencies, as well as intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations, to initiate or intensify measures against the ideologies and practices described in paragraph 1 above;

4. Invites Member States to adopt, in accordance with their national constitutional systems and with the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenants on Human Rights, as a matter of high priority, measures declaring punishable by law any dissemination of ideas based on racial superiority or hatred and of war propaganda, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist ideologies;

5. Appeals to all States that have not yet done so to ratify or accede to the International Covenants on Human Rights, the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the Convention on the Non-Applicability of Statutory Limitations to War Crimes and Crimes against Humanity and the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid;

6. Calls once again upon all States to provide the Secretary-General with their comments on this question;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat pays attention to the dissemination of information exposing the ideologies and practices described in paragraph 1 above;

8. Reiterates its request to the Commission on Human Rights to consider this question at its thirty-ninth session under the title: “Measures to be taken against all totalitarian or other ideologies and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences”;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, in the light of the discussion that will take place in the Commission on Human Rights and on the basis of comments provided by States and international organizations.

37/180. Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/173 of 20 December 1978, entitled “Disappeared persons”, and its resolution 36/163 of 16 December 1981 on the question of enforced or involuntary disappearances,

Bearing in mind Commission on Human Rights resolution 1982/24 of 10 March 1982, by which the Commission decided to extend for one year the term of the mandate of the Working Group on Enforced or InvoluntaryDisappearances, and Economic and Social Council decision 1982/131 of 7 May 1982, by which the Council approved the Commission’s decision,

Convinced that the action taken, in consultation with the Governments concerned, to promote the implementation of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 33/173 and other United Nations resolutions relevant to the plight of missing or disappeared persons should be continued,

Expressing its emotion at the anguish and sorrow of the families concerned, who should know the fate of their relatives,

Welcomes the decision of the Commission on Human Rights to extend for one year the term of the mandate of the Working Group on Enforced or InvoluntaryDisappearances, as laid down in Commission resolution 1982/24;

2. Expresses its appreciation to the Working Group for the work it has done and to those Governments that have co-operated with it;

3. Calls upon the Commission on Human Rights to continue to study this question as a matter of priority and to take any step it may deem necessary to the pursuit of the task of the Working Group when it considers the report to be submitted by the Group at its thirty-ninth session;

4. Appeals to all Governments to provide the Working Group and the Commission on Human Rights with the full co-operation warranted by their strictly humanitarian objectives and their working methods based on discretion;

5. Renews its request to the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Working Group with all necessary assistance.

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37/181. Missing persons in Cyprus

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions on the question of missing persons in Cyprus,

Reaffirming the basic need of families to be informed, without further delay, about the fate of their missing relatives,

Expressing concern that the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus, the establishment of which was announced on 22 April 1981, has failed to overcome procedural difficulties and has achieved no progress towards the commencement of its investigative work,

Emphasizing the need for a speedy resolution of this humanitarian problem,

1. Invites the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances of the Commission on Human Rights

122 Resolution 2391 (XXIII), annex.
123 Resolution 3068 (XXVIII), annex.