QUESTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS SUBJECTED TO ANY FORM OF DETENTION OR IMPRISONMENT, IN PARTICULAR: TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT

Cuba, Denmark, France, Greece, India, Netherlands, Norway, */ Senegal and Sweden: */ draft resolution

The Commission on Human Rights,

Having in mind General Assembly resolution 36/60 of 25 November 1981 by which the Commission was requested to complete as a matter of the highest priority, at its thirty-eighth session, the drafting of a convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1981/37 of 6 May 1981 by which the Council authorized a meeting of an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights for a period of one week prior to the Commission's thirty-eighth session to complete the work on a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,

Recalling that such a draft convention was discussed in a working group prior to and during the thirty-eighth session of the Commission but that it was not found possible to complete the work during that session,

Noting with satisfaction the progress made by the open-ended working group on the draft convention during the thirty-eighth session,

Desiring to make arrangements to expedite the work on the draft convention with a view to its early adoption,

*/ In accordance with rule 60, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedure of the functional commission of the Economic and Social Council.

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1. Recognizes that it is advisable to continue the work on the draft convention in a working group which should meet before the thirty-ninth session of the Commission;

2. Decides to accord the highest priority to the consideration of this question at its thirty-ninth session;

3. Recommends that the Economic and Social Council should adopt the following resolution:

"The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 36/60 of 25 November 1981 by which the Commission on Human Rights was requested to complete as a matter of the highest priority, at its thirty-eighth session, the drafting of a convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1981/37 of 8 May 1981 by which the Council authorized a meeting of an open-ended working group of the Commission on Human Rights for a period of one week prior to the Commission's thirty-eighth session to complete the work on a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,

Considering that it was not found possible to complete the work on the convention during the thirty-eighth session of the Commission,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution (XXXVIII), of 1982,

1. Authorizes a meeting of an open-ended working group for a period of one week prior to the thirty-ninth session of the Commission on Human Rights to complete the work on a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-ninth session all relevant material relating to the draft convention."