REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL ON THE FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION

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1. The Commission considered agenda item 14, concurrently with item 15, at its 36th meeting, on 11 April 2002, at its 39th meeting, on 15 April 2002, at its 52nd meeting on 3 April 2002, at its 53rd and 54th meetings on 24 April 2002, and at its 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002.

2. For the documents issued under agenda item 14, see annex VI to the present report. For a list of all resolutions and decisions adopted by the Commission and Chairperson’s statements, by agenda item, see annex V.

3. At the 36th meeting, on 11 April 2002:
   
   (a) The Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, Ms. Gabriela Rodríguez Pizarro, introduced her report (E/CN.4/2002/94 and Add.1);

   (b) The Representative of the Secretary-General on internally displaced persons, Mr. Francis M. Deng, introduced his report (E/CN.4/2002/95 and Add.1-2);

   (c) A member of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, Mr. Theo Van Boven, read out a statement on behalf of the Chairperson of the Board, Mr. Swami Agnivesh, in connection with the report of the Secretary-General on the Fund (E/CN.4/2002/93 and Add.1);

4. At the 39th meeting, on 15 April 2002, Mr. Mounir Bouchenaki, Assistant Director-General for Culture of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, made a statement.

5. At the 52nd meeting, on 23 April 2002, a statement was read out by a member of the Secretariat on behalf of Mr. Bengt Lindqvist, Special Rapporteur of the Commission for Social Development on disability.

6. In the general debate on agenda item 14, considered concurrently with item 15, statements were made by members of the Commission, observers and representatives of non-governmental organizations. For a detailed list of speakers, see annex III to the present report.

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

7. At the 55th meeting, on 25 April 2002, the representative of Mexico introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.73, sponsored by Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Bosnia and
Herzegovina, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Morocco, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Turkey and Uruguay.

8. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/54.

9. After the adoption of the resolution, the representative of Canada made a statement in explanation of her delegation’s position.

**Tolerance and pluralism as indivisible elements in the promotion and protection of human rights**

10. At the same meeting the representative of India introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.75, sponsored by Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bhutan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Nepal, Norway, Pakistan, the Philippines, Romania, the Russian Federation, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America. Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Ecuador, Finland, Georgia, Ireland, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mauritius, the Netherlands, Peru, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Senegal, Ukraine and Uruguay subsequently joined the sponsors.

11. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/55.

**Internally displaced persons**

12. Also at the 55th meeting, the representative of Austria introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.76, sponsored by Angola, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand and Yugoslavia. Andorra, Armenia, Argentina, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Georgia, Japan, Mexico, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay subsequently joined the sponsors.

13. The representative of Austria orally revised the fourth, sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs as well as operative paragraphs 1, 3, 5, 10, 15, 16 and 21 of the draft resolution.
14. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by the representatives of India, Pakistan and the Sudan.
15. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/56.

Rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities
16. At the same meeting, the observer for Austria introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.77, sponsored by Angola, Australia, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Guatemala, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Yugoslavia. Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Belarus, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Georgia, Iceland, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, San Marino, Ukraine and Uruguay subsequently joined the sponsors.
17. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/57.

Violence against women migrant workers
18. Also at the 55th meeting, the observer for the Philippines introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.78, sponsored by Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Chile, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Madagascar, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Uganda and Uruguay. Cuba and Senegal subsequently joined the sponsors.
19. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/58.

Protection of migrants and their families
20. At the same meeting, the representative of Ecuador introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.80, sponsored by Algeria, Argentina, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Peru, the Syrian Arab Republic and Uruguay. Armenia, Bangladesh, Haiti, Panama and Senegal subsequently joined the sponsors.
21. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/59.
**Missing persons**

22. Also at the 55th meeting, the representative of Azerbaijan introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.81, sponsored by Afghanistan, Angola, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Costa Rica, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Georgia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Pakistan. Armenia, Cyprus, Kazakhstan, Panama, Senegal, Ukraine and Yugoslavia subsequently joined the sponsors.

23. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by the representatives of Armenia and India.

24. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/60.

**Human rights of persons with disabilities**

25. At the same meeting, the representative of Ireland introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.84, sponsored by Albania, Angola, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Colombia, Congo, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, the Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Chile, the Dominican Republic, Georgia, Japan, Morocco, Peru, San Marino, Senegal, Turkey, Ukraine, Uruguay and Yugoslavia subsequently joined the sponsors.

26. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/61.

**Human rights of migrants**

27. Also at the 55th meeting, the representative of Mexico introduced draft resolution E/CN.4/2002/L.86, sponsored by Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Burundi, Chile, Congo, Costa Rica, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Mexico,
Morocco, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Portugal, Senegal, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Swaziland, Tunisia, Turkey, Uruguay, Yemen and Yugoslavia. Costa Rica and Pakistan subsequently joined the sponsors.

28. The representative of Mexico orally revised the fourteenth preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 3, 4 and 24 of the draft resolution.

29. In accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the attention of the Commission was drawn to the estimated administrative and programme budget implications of the draft resolution.

30. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section A, resolution 2002/62.

The rights of non-citizens

31. Also at the same meeting, the Commission considered draft decision 6 recommended by the Sub-Commission for adoption by the Commission (see E/CN.4/2002/2-E/CN.4/Sub.2/2001/40, chapter 1).

32. The draft decision was adopted without a vote. For the text see chapter II, section B, decision 2002/...