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QUESTION OF A CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Argentina, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada,
Costa Rica, France, India, Panama, Peru, Poland
and Senegal : draft resolution

The Commission on Human Rights,

Having in mind the draft convention on the rights of the child submitted by Poland on 7 February 1978, the amended version of the draft submitted on 5 October 1979 and the document submitted by Poland on 7 October 1981.^{1/}

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 33/166 of 20 December 1978, 34/4 of 18 October 1979 and 35/131 of 11 December 1980, as well as resolution 36/57 of 25 November 1981, by which the Assembly requested the Commission on Human Rights to continue to give the highest priority to the question of completing the draft convention on the rights of the child.

Recalling also its resolutions 20 (XXXIV) of 18 March 1978, 19 (XXXV) of 14 March 1979, 36 (XXXVI) of 12 March 1980 and 26 (XXXVII) of 10 March 1981, as well as Economic and Social Council resolutions 1978/18 of 5 May 1978 and 1978/40 of 1 August 1978, Council decisions 1980/138 of 2 May 1980 and 1981/144 of 8 May 1981,

Noting with satisfaction the considerable progress made by the open-ended working group during its one week of negotiations prior to the thirty-eighth session of the Commission and during this session,

Noting also the widespread interest in working out a truly comprehensive international convention on the rights of the child displayed so far by the representatives of numerous countries and international organizations,

1. Decides to continue at its thirty-ninth session, as a matter of high priority, its work on a draft convention on the rights of the child with a view to completing the elaboration of the convention at that session for transmission to General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

^{1/} A/C.3/36/6

2. Requests the Economic and Social Council to authorize a one-week session of an open-ended working group prior to the thirty-ninth session of the Commission on Human Rights to facilitate completion of the work on a draft convention on the rights of the child,

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

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 33/166 of 20 December 1978, 34/4 of 18 October 1979 and 35/131 of 11 December 1980, as well as resolution 36/57 of 25 November 1981 by which the Assembly requested the Commission on Human Rights to continue to give the highest priority to the question of completing the draft convention on the rights of the child, and resolutions 1978/18 of 5 May 1978 and 1978/40 of 1 August 1978 of the Economic and Social Council, as well as Council decisions 1980/138 of 2 May 1980 and 1981/144 of 8 May 1981, by which the Economic and Social 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 thirty-eighth session of the Commission in order to complete the work on a draft convention on the rights of the child,

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

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution ... of ...
March 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 facilitate the completion of the work on a draft convention on the rights of the child;

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 on the rights of the child.
