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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and Poland:  
draft resolution

Status of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment  
of the Crime of Genocide

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 40/142 of 13 December 1985 and 41/147 of 4 December 1986,

Recalling also resolutions 1986/18 of 10 March 1986 1/ and 1987/25 of 10 March 1987 2/ of the Commission on Human Rights,

- Recalling further its resolution 260 A (III) of 9 December 1948, by which it approved and proposed for signature, ratification or accession the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide,

Reaffirming its conviction that genocide is a crime under international law, contrary to the spirit and aims of the United Nations,

Noting with satisfaction the report of the Secretary-General, 3/

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1986, Supplement No. 2 (E/1986/22), chap. II, sect. A.

2/ Ibid., 1987, Supplement No. 5 (E/1987/18), chap. II, sect. A.

3/ A/42/391.

1. Once again strongly condemns the crime of genocide;
2. Reaffirms the necessity of international co-operation in order to liberate mankind from such an odious crime;
3. Notes with satisfaction that many States have ratified the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide or have acceded thereto;
4. Expresses its conviction that implementation of the provisions of the Convention by all States is necessary for the prevention and punishment of the crime of genocide;
5. Urges those States that have not yet become parties to the Convention to ratify it or accede thereto without further delay;
6. Invites the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-third session a report on the status of the Convention.

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