

May 1979, and recommended that the Assembly should consider the adoption of a declaration on the subject,

*Recalling also* its resolution 35/199 of 15 December 1980, in which it decided to establish an open-ended working group for the purpose of concluding the elaboration of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live,

*Having considered* the report of the Working Group,<sup>170</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Working Group and of the fact that, although the Working Group has done useful work, it has not had sufficient time to conclude its task;

2. *Decides* to establish, at its thirty-seventh session, an open-ended working group for the purpose of concluding the elaboration of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live;

3. *Expresses the hope* that a draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live will be adopted by the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session.

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### **36/166. Exchange of information on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 34/173 of 17 December 1979, in which it recognized the urgent need to take concrete measures to prevent adverse effects on health on a world-wide basis,

*Recalling also* its resolution 35/186 of 15 December 1980, in which it invited Member States to provide information on measures they had taken on the exchange of information on hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products that have been banned in their territories and requested the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations organs, organizations and bodies concerned, to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the experience of Member States and the United Nations organs, organizations and bodies concerned,

*Conscious* of the importance of the information system on transnational corporations for the analysis of the activities of these corporations in certain sectors of special social and humanitarian interest to the countries in which operations take place, particularly developing countries,

*Taking into account* that in resolution 35/186 it requested the Commission on Transnational Corporations to study, during its seventh session, ways and means within the information system on transnational corporations to improve the exchange of information on those products with a view to formulating appropriate recommendations,

*Bearing in mind* the importance of objective information on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products,

*Aware* that the production and export of banned or severely restricted hazardous substances—including pharmaceuticals, pesticides and industrial chemicals—endanger public health and the environment,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the exchange of information on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products;<sup>171</sup>

2. *Takes note also* of the conclusions and recommendations in the report of the United Nations Centre on Trans-

national Corporations<sup>172</sup> which was submitted to the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its seventh session;

3. *Reiterates* the need to intensify international co-operation in the search for the solution to problems arising from the production and export of banned or severely restricted substances;

4. *Urges* Member States and other interested parties, including transnational corporations, to co-operate more fully in providing data on banned or severely restricted substances to the appropriate organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system with responsibility for information exchange in regard to such substances;

5. *Calls upon* the organs, organizations and other competent United Nations bodies involved in disseminating information on this subject to ensure that the documentation they prepare is adequately suited to the needs of and clearly understood by all those engaged in processing, handling, dispensing or using all banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the organs, organizations and other competent United Nations bodies to provide, within the available resources, the necessary technical assistance to the developing countries, at their request, to help them establish an adequate system for monitoring the import of unsafe pharmaceutical products of doubtful therapeutic value and banned hazardous chemicals, on the one hand, and to train scientific personnel to handle these problems, on the other;

7. *Invites* Member States to deal with this subject through appropriate means, including possible legislation at the national level, where they do not yet exist;

8. *Once again requests* the Secretary-General to consult Member States on the existing information systems on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session through the Economic and Social Council.

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### **36/167. Draft Declaration on Social and Legal Principles relating to the Protection and Welfare of Children, with Special Reference to Foster Placement and Adoption Nationally and Internationally**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* Economic and Social Council resolution 1981/18 of 6 May 1981 entitled "Draft declaration on social and legal principles relating to adoption and foster placement of children nationally and internationally", by which the Council requested the General Assembly to consider at its thirty-sixth session the draft Declaration annexed to that resolution so that the further action proposed in Council resolution 1979/28 of 9 May 1979 may proceed,

*Bearing in mind* the report of the Secretary-General<sup>173</sup> on views of Member States on the text of the draft Declaration.

*Convinced* that the adoption of the draft Declaration will promote the well-being of children with special needs,

1. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session an item entitled "Draft Declaration on Social and Legal Principles relating to the Protection and Welfare of Children, with Special Reference to Foster Place-

<sup>170</sup> A/C.3/36/11.

<sup>171</sup> A/36/255.

<sup>172</sup> E/C.10/90.

<sup>173</sup> A/35/336.