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19: US DRAFT RESOLUTION ON INTERNATIONAL HUMAN
RIGHTS: USDEL 13

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION ON
INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TABLED BY USDEL ON JULY
19:

BEGIN TEXT:

THE WORLD CONFERENCE TO REVIEW AND APPRAISE THE
ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR
WOMEN: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE.

RECALLING THE PROVISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS
CHARTER THAT CALL ON ITS MEMBER STATES TO PROMOTE
HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOM WITHOUT
DISTINCTION AS TO SEX.

RECALLING ALSO THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN
RIGHTS AND VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS THAT
AFFIRM THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF WOMEN IN ALL MEMBER
STATES.

REAFFIRMING THAT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN IS
INCOMPATIBLE WITH HUMAN DIGNITY AND THAT WOMEN AND
MEN SHOULD PARTICIPATE ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY,
IRRESPECTIVE OF RACE OR CREED, IN THE SOCIAL,
ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROCESSES OF THEIR
COUNTRIES,

BEING AWARE OF THE IMPORTANT ROLE PLAYED BY THE UN
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND BY THE UN
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES IN PREPARING VARIOUS
INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS THAT OBLIGATE MEMBER
STATES TO UPHOLD THE RIGHT OF WOMEN ENUMERATED
THEREIN,

BEING MINDFUL THAT VIOLATIONS, INCLUDING GROSS
VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED STANDARDS
OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS EXIST,

CONSIDERING THAT ENFORCEMENT OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS IS
THE NECESSARY RESPONSIBILITY OF UN MEMBER
GOVERNMENTS;

RECALLING RESOLUTIONS 76 (V) OF 5 AUGUST 1947 AND
304 (XI) OF 14 AND 17 JULY 1950 OF THE ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, WHICH CONTINUE TO FORM THE
BASIS FOR THE MANDATE OF THE COMMISSION ON THE
STATUS OF WOMEN TO RECEIVE AT EACH OF ITS REGULAR
SESSIONS A LIST OF CONFIDENTIAL AND
NON-CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO THE
STATUS OF WOMEN,

RECALLING ALSO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION 1983/27 OF 26 MAY 1983 SETTING FORTH
PROCEDURES WHEREBY THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF
WOMEN CONSIDERS AND DEALS WITH COMMUNICATION OF
INDIVIDUAL WOMEN AND OF GROUPS OF WOMEN WHOSE
HUMAN RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED.

1. WELCOMES THE INITIATIVE OF THE COUNCIL TO
REAFFIRM THESE IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS OF THE
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN;

2. CONDEMNS VIOLATIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF
WOMEN WHEREVER THEY OCCUR;

3. URGES MEMBER STATES TO OBSERVE THEIR
OBLIGATIONS TOWARDS WOMEN CITIZENS BY UPHOLDING
THE PROVISIONS OF THE VARIOUS RELEVANT
INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, INCLUDING THE UN
CHARTER;

4. CALLS ON THE UNITED NATIONS AS WELL AS
INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO
CONTINUE TO PUBLICIZE THE VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL
INSTRUMENTS REGARDING THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN IN ORDER
TO DISSEMINATE WIDELY THE PROVISIONS AND OBLIGATIONS
OF GOVERNMENTS CONTAINED THEREIN;

5. ENCOURAGES THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF
WOMEN TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF APPOINTING
SPECIAL REPORTERS TO INVESTIGATE VIOLATIONS OF
WOMEN'S RIGHTS WHERE THEY MAY OCCUR AND TO REPORT
TO THE COMMISSION ON THEIR FINDINGS. END TEXT.
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