

## ECOSOC Decision 2002/279

### **Expiration of office-holders' terms of appointment under special procedures**

At its 40th plenary meeting, on 25 July 2002, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights decision 2002/114 of 26 April 2002,<sup>1</sup> approved the decision of the Commission:

(a) That the six-year period of time referred to in subparagraph (a) (ii) (Special procedure mandates) of the statement of the Commission's Chairperson on enhancement of the effectiveness of the mechanisms of the Commission, of 29 April 1999,<sup>2</sup> will not extend beyond the last day of the substantive session of the Council immediately following the relevant session of the Commission;

(b) That any reports on activities undertaken by the concerned individual office-holder between the date of submission of reports to the relevant session of the Commission and the last day of the substantive session of the Council will be circulated as official documents of the subsequent session of the Commission;

(c) That the Chairperson of the Commission, in consultation with the expanded Bureau, will endeavour to select and appoint office-holders as early as possible with a view to avoiding gaps between terms of office-holders.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2002, Supplement No. 3* (E/2002/23), chap. II, sect. B.

<sup>2</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1999, Supplement No. 3* (E/1999/23), chap. XX, para. 552.