

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

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RESUMED ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION FOR 1999

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RESUMED SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF 1999

1999/210 F. Elections to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council, nominations, appointments and confirmation of representatives on functional commissions⁹⁸

At its 50th and 51st plenary meetings, on 15 November and 16 December 1999, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections postponed from previous sessions

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 53/223 of 7 April 1999, which provided for a new distribution of seats on the Board, the Council elected FRANCE, HUNGARY, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), JAPAN, MEXICO and SWAZILAND for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2000.

The Council elected NORWAY to assume the term of office of DENMARK for a term beginning on 1 January 2000 and expiring on 31 December 2001.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

The Council elected FRANCE and MALTA for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2000.

1999/290. Consideration of the graduation of the Republic of Maldives from the list of least developed countries

At its 48th plenary meeting, on 26 October 1999, the Economic and Social Council decided to postpone the consideration of the graduation of the Republic of Maldives from the list of least developed countries until a report of the Committee for Development Policy had been submitted and the review of the vulnerability index had been completed.

1999/291. Election of the President of the Economic and Social Council for the year 2000

At its 48th plenary meeting, on 26 October 1999, the Economic and Social Council decided that the date for election of the President of the Council for the year 2000 would be 27 January 2000.

1999/292. Withdrawal of consultative status of Christian Solidarity International

At its 48th plenary meeting, on 26 October 1999, the Economic and Social Council decided to withdraw the consultative status of the non-governmental organization Christian Solidarity International.

1999/293. Situation of human rights in East Timor

At its 50th plenary meeting, on 15 November 1999, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1999/S-4/1 of 27 September 1999,⁹⁹ and endorsed the Commission's call upon the Secretary-General to establish an international commission of inquiry, with adequate representation of Asian experts, in order, in cooperation with the Indonesian National Commission on Human Rights and thematic rapporteurs, to gather and compile systematically information on possible violations of human rights and acts that might constitute breaches of international humanitarian law committed in East Timor since the announcement in January 1999 of the vote and to provide the Secretary-General with its conclusions with a view to enabling him to make recommendations on future actions, and to make the report of the commission of inquiry available to the Security Council, the General Assembly and the Commission on Human Rights at its fifty-sixth session;

(b) Also took note of the decision of the Commission to request the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, the Representative of the Secretary-General on internally displaced persons, the Special Rapporteur on the question of torture, the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences, and the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances to carry out missions to East Timor and report on their findings to the Commission at its fifty-sixth session and, on an interim basis, to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session, and to request the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare a comprehensive programme of technical cooperation in the field of human rights, in cooperation with other United Nations activities, focusing especially on capacity-building and reconciliation with a view to a durable solution to the problems in East Timor.

⁹⁸ For decision 1999/210 A, see p. 110; for decisions 1999/210 B-D, see p. 112-114; for decision 1999/210 E, see p. 117.

⁹⁹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1999, Supplement No. 3A (E/1999/23/Add.1)*, chap. II.