

COMPILATION OF
DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

of

the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and
Protection of Minorities,

the Commission on Human Rights and

the Economic and Social Council

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SUB-COMMISSION ON
PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION
AND
PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

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8 (XXXIV). Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms including policies of racial discrimination and segregation and of apartheid, in all countries, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories: report of the Sub-Commission under Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXIII) 39/

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

Welcoming the adoption by the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-seventh session and by the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1961 of a Draft Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Intolerance and of Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief,

Recalling its resolution 10 (XXXIII) in which it expressed its profound concern for the safety of the members of the Baha'i Community in Iran and requested the Secretary-General to invite the Government of Iran to grant full protection of fundamental rights and freedoms to this religious minority,

Having now heard statements clearly demonstrating the systematic persecution of the Baha'is in Iran, including summary arrests, torture, beatings, executions, murders, kidnappings, disappearances, abductions, and many other forms of harassment,

Convinced that the treatment of the Baha'is is motivated by religious intolerance and a desire to eliminate the Baha'i Faith from the land of its birth,

Concerned that the Government of Iran appears to have ignored all previous approaches made on behalf of this Community,

1. Expresses its profound concern for the perilous situation facing this religious Community;
2. Appreciates the efforts already made by the Secretary-General on behalf of this Community;
3. Urges the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to persuade the Government of Iran to prevent further attacks on the Baha'i Community and to grant them religious freedom;
4. Draws the attention of the Commission on Human Rights to the perilous situation faced by the Baha'i Community of Iran and requests the Secretary-General to submit all relevant information about the treatment of the Baha'is in Iran to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-eighth session.

39/ Adopted at the 929th meeting, on 9 September 1961, by 19 votes to none, with 5 abstentions.

1983/14. Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms:
The situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran 54/

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

Recalling its resolutions 10 (XXXIII) of 10 September 1980, 8 (XXXIV) of 9 September 1981 and 1982/25 of 8 September 1982,

Noting Commission on Human Rights resolution 1983/34 of 8 March 1983,

Noting further the report of the Secretary-General 55/ on the human rights situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran submitted to the Commission on Human Rights in pursuance of Commission resolution 1982/27,

Alarmed at reports of serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the Islamic Republic of Iran, as reflected in the report of the Secretary-General, and particularly the evidence of summary and arbitrary executions, torture, detention, without trial, religious intolerance and persecution, and the lack of an independent judiciary and other recognized safeguards for a fair trial.

Gravely concerned at the persistent reports of continuing persecution of the Baha'is solely on the grounds of their religious beliefs,

Believing that it might be useful for the Commission on Human Rights to recommend to the Economic and Social Council the appointment of a Special Rapporteur to study the human rights situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran and to present a report to the Commission on Human Rights at its forty-first session,

1. Expresses its profound concern at the reports of continuing grave violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the Islamic Republic of Iran;
2. Regrets that the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has not so far responded to the appeals of the international community;
3. Notes the continuing efforts of the Secretary-General as mandated by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1983/34 to bring about an improvement in the human rights situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran through his direct contacts with the Government concerned, and expresses the hope that the direct contacts of the Secretary-General will be successful.

54/ Adopted at the 30th meeting on 5 September 1983 by 13 votes to 1, with abstentions.

55/ E/CN.4/1985/19.

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5. Invites the Government of Iran to extend its co-operation to the Secretary-General;

6. Decides to keep the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Iran under consideration at its thirty-ninth session.

Having carefully examined the report of the Secretary-General 79/ and the relevant sections in the report on summary or arbitrary executions, 80/

Encouraged by the report of the Secretary-General 81/ in which he announces a mission of his representative to the Islamic Republic of Iran, providing an opportunity to clarify further the situation of human rights in that country,

1. Expresses its profound concern at the continuing grave violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the Islamic Republic of Iran as reflected in the report of the Secretary-General, and particularly at the evidence of summary and arbitrary executions, torture, detention without trial, religious intolerance and persecution, in particular of the Baha'is, and the lack of an independent judiciary and other recognized safeguards for a fair trial;
2. Urges once more the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, as a State party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to respect and ensure to all individuals within its territory and subject to its jurisdiction the rights recognized in that Covenant;
3. Requests the Secretary-General or his representative to continue direct contacts with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the grave human rights situation prevailing in that country, including the situation of the Baha'is;
4. Requests also the Secretary-General or his representative to submit to the Commission on Human Rights at its fortieth session a comprehensive report on the direct contacts and the human rights situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran including conclusions and suggestions as regards the respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in that country;
5. Requests once more the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to extend its co-operation to the Secretary-General or his representative;
6. Decides to continue its consideration of the human rights situation in the Islamic Republic of Iran at its fortieth session.

79/ E/CN.4/1983/19.

80/ E/CN.4/1983/16.

81/ E/CN.4/1983/52.

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The Commission on Human Rights,

Guided by the principles embodied in the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenants on Human Rights,

Reaffirming that all Member States have an obligation to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms and to fulfil the obligations they have undertaken under the various international instruments in this field,

Recalling its resolutions 1982/27 of 11 March 1982 and 1983/34 of 8 March 1983,

Recalling in particular its resolution 1984/54 of 14 March 1984, in which the Commission expressed deep concern at the continuing serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the Islamic Republic of Iran as reflected in the report of the Secretary-General, 111/ and particularly at the evidence of summary and arbitrary executions, torture, detention without trial, religious intolerance and persecution, in particular of the Baha'is, and the lack of an independent judiciary and other recognized safeguards for a fair trial, and requested the appointment of a special representative,

Mindful of resolutions 1983/14 of 5 September 1983 and 1984/14 of 29 August 1984 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, in which the Sub-Commission expressed alarm at reports of continuing gross violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in the Islamic Republic of Iran,

Taking note of relevant sections in the report of the Special Rapporteur on summary or arbitrary executions, 112/

Welcoming the appointment of Mr. Andrés Aguilar as Special Representative of the Commission with a mandate to establish contacts with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and to make a thorough study of the human rights situation in that country in accordance with Commission resolution 1984/54,

Noting that the time available to the Special Representative did not permit him to make the thorough study requested by the Commission,

Regretting that the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has not yet extended its co-operation to the Commission on Human Rights and its Special Representative,

110/ Adopted at the 55th meeting, on 13 March 1985, by a roll-call vote of 21 to 5, with 15 abstentions.

111/ E/CN.4/1984/28.

112/ E/CN.4/1985/17.

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The Economic and Social Council, noting Commission on Human Rights resolution 1984/54 of 14 March 1984, endorses the Commission's decision to request its Chairman to appoint, after consultation within the Bureau, a special representative of the Commission, whose mandate will be to establish contacts with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and to make a thorough study of the human rights situation in that country based on such information as he may deem relevant, including comments and materials provided by the Government, containing conclusions and appropriate suggestions, to be presented to the Commission at its forty-first session. The Council further endorses the Commission's request to the Secretary-General to give all necessary assistance to the special representative of the Commission.