Aware that the Commission on Transnational Corporations will examine the report on the activities of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations and the study on transnational corporations in the pharmaceutical industry in developing countries, according to the agenda approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 1980/170 of 24 July 1980.

Aware also that many organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system have an interest in and expertise on this subject and can therefore provide valuable assistance to the Secretary-General in his preparation of the report for next year.

Taking into account that the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Economic Commission for Europe, the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations, the Division of Narcotic Drugs of the Secretariat, the International Labour Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Health Organization have already been involved in this exercise.

Conscious of the importance of the information system on transnational corporations for the analysis of transnational in certain sectors of special social and humanitarian interest to host countries, particularly developing countries.

Mindful of the importance of objective information about banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products,

1. Invites Member States to provide information on the measures they have taken to exchange information on hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products that have been banned in their countries;

2. Requests the Commission on Transnational Corporations to study, during its seventh session, the ways and means within the information system on transnational corporations to improve the exchange of information on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products, with a view to formulating appropriate recommendations;

3. Requests once again the Secretary-General, in cooperation 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;

4. Appeals to the United Nations organs, organizations and bodies concerned, especially the World Health Organization, to provide any assistance, expertise and co-operation required for the preparation of the above-mentioned report.

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Reaffirming the pre-eminently humanitarian character of the activities of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the benefit of refugees,

1. Expresses its gratitude to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the action which he has already taken to assist refugee and displaced children, and requests him to intensify his efforts in that respect, endeavouring to ensure as far as possible that the cultural and family identity of the minors settled is preserved;

2. Requests the High Commissioner to associate all the specialized agencies in the action undertaken.

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35/188. Protection of human rights in Chile

The General Assembly,

Conscious of its responsibility to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, and determined to remain vigilant with regard to violations of human rights wherever they occur,

Noting that Governments have an obligation to protect and promote human rights and to carry out responsibilities they have undertaken under various international instruments,


Recalling also Commission on Human Rights resolution 11 (XXXV) of 6 March 1979[10] on violations of human rights in Chile, in which the Commission, inter alia, decided to appoint a Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Chile,

Deploring that the Chilean authorities have consistently refused to co-operate with the Special Rapporteur appointed by the Commission on Human Rights,

Expressing its regret that, according to the report of the Special Rapporteur, there has not been an improvement in the human rights situation in Chile, and that in certain respects it has, on the contrary, deteriorated,

Considering that the lack of popular participation in the preparation of the draft constitution and the existing restrictions, under the state of emergency, on the freedoms of assembly, association, expression and information do not enable the result of the recent plebiscite to be regarded as an authentic expression of the will of the Chilean people,

Noting with increasing concern that the Chilean authorities continue to ignore the repeated appeal of the international community reflected in the various resolutions of the General Assembly and other international organs and have failed to take urgent and effective measures to investigate and clarify the fate of persons who have disappeared,

Expressing deep concern that the whereabouts of the numerous persons who have disappeared are still unknown and that this has caused grief and often hardship to their relatives,

35/187. Refugee and displaced children

The General Assembly,

Noting with deep concern the increasing gravity of the problems of refugees in various parts of the world.

Stressing that, among the problems posed by the plight of these populations, the problem of children is especially anguishing,

Considering the disturbing situation of millions of refugee and displaced children, particularly children who have not yet been settled,

Considering that many of them have lost all the members of their immediate families,
