

Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities on possible terms of reference for the draft mandate of a High Commissioner for Human Rights;<sup>170</sup>

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures to strengthen the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat;

14. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in the light of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, to include in the updated study on international conditions and human rights, which the General Assembly, in its resolution 36/133 of 14 December 1981, requested him to submit to it at its thirty-eighth session, an overview of trends in the field of human rights with emphasis on the problems still being encountered;

15. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session the item entitled "Alternative approaches and ways and means within the United Nations system for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms".

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### **37/201. New international humanitarian order**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 36/136 of 14 December 1981,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>171</sup>

*Bearing in mind* that, as noted by the Secretary-General in his report, all Governments that provided their views on

the proposal for the promotion of a new international humanitarian order supported the intentions underlying the proposal and the need for developing greater international awareness of humanitarian issues and more effective means of dealing with such issues,<sup>172</sup>

*Recognizing* the need for again seeking the views of Governments that have not yet provided them to the Secretary-General,

*Noting* the proposal for the establishment, outside the framework of the United Nations, of an independent commission on international humanitarian issues, composed of leading personalities in the humanitarian field or having wide experience of government or world affairs,<sup>173</sup>

*Recognizing further* that the deliberations of such a commission, if established, could be useful for further study of the proposal,

1. *Requests* Governments that have not yet done so to communicate their views on the proposal for the promotion of a new international humanitarian order to the Secretary-General;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General to provide a more comprehensive report on the subject to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session;

3. *Decides* to review at its thirty-eighth session the question of a new international humanitarian order.

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<sup>170</sup> See E/CN.4/1983/4-E/CN.4/Sub.2/1982/43 and Corr.1, chap. XXI, sect. A, resolution 1982/27.

<sup>171</sup> A/37/145.

<sup>172</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 4.

<sup>173</sup> See A/36/245, annex, para. 10.