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## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

[on the report of the Second Committee (A/53/605)]

## 53/199. Proclamation of international years

The General Assembly,

*Recalling* its decision 35/424 of 5 December 1980 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 and 1998/1 of 6 February 1998,

Recalling also its resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996,

*Reaffirming* the importance of the guidelines for international years and anniversaries, adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 35/424, for the consideration of proposals for the proclamation of international years,

Recognizing the need to provide for effective arrangements for the proclamation of international years,

*Decides* that, starting from 1999, proposals for the proclamation of international years should be submitted directly to the Assembly for consideration and action, unless the Assembly decides to bring them to the attention of the Economic and Social Council for evaluation, in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned guidelines.

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