

**1996/268. Assistance to Somalia in the field of  
human rights**

At its 46th plenary meeting, on 23 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1996/57 of 19 April 1996,<sup>61</sup> approved the Commission's request to the independent expert to report to the Commission on Human Rights at its fifty-third session within his mandate, and also approved the Commission's request to the Secretary-General to provide adequate resources, from within the regular budget of the United Nations, to fund the activities of the independent expert and the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat.