

**1997/246. Independence and impartiality of the judiciary,
jurors and assessors and the independence of
lawyers**

At its 38th plenary meeting, on 22 July 1997, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1997/23 of 11 April 1997,³⁹ endorsed the Commission's decision to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the independence of judges and lawyers for a further period of three years and its request to the Special Rapporteur to submit a report on the activities relating to his mandate to the Commission at its fifty-fourth session.

³⁹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1997, Supplement No. 3 (E/1997/23)*, chap. II, sect. A.