

**1997/288. Study on treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements between States and indigenous populations**

At its 38th plenary meeting, on 22 July 1997, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights decision 1997/113 of 11 April 1997<sup>53</sup> and decision 1996/118 of 29 August 1996 of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,<sup>40</sup> approved the Commission's decision to endorse the decision of the Subcommittee to request the Special Rapporteur on the study on treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements between States and indigenous populations, Mr. Miguel Alfonso Martínez, to submit his final report in time for it to be considered by the Working Group on Indigenous Populations at its fifteenth session and by the Subcommittee at its forty-ninth session. The Council also approved the Commission's request to the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all the assistance necessary to enable him to conclude his study, in particular by providing for specialized research assistance and for special consultations with the Centre for Human Rights.

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<sup>53</sup> Ibid., 1997, *Supplement No. 3* (E/1997/23), chap. II, sect. B.