

1998/247. A permanent forum for indigenous people in the United Nations system

At its 46th plenary meeting, on 30 July 1998, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1998/20 of 9 April 1998,³⁹ endorsed the decision of the Commission to establish an open-ended inter-sessional ad hoc working group, from within existing overall United Nations resources, to elaborate and consider further proposals for the possible establishment of a permanent forum for indigenous people in the United Nations system, and approved the request of the Commission that the ad hoc working group should meet for five working days prior to the fifty-fifth session of the Commission.

⁴⁰ See Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, *Report of the World Food Summit, 13-17 November 1996* (WFS 96/REP), part one, appendix.