

2000/219. The right to food

At its 10th plenary meeting, on 16 June 2000, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/10 of 17 April 2000,⁹ endorsed the Commission's decision, in order to respond fully to the necessity for an integrated and coordinated approach in the promotion and protection of the right to food, to appoint, for a period of three years, a special rapporteur whose mandate will focus on the right to food and who will accomplish the following main activities:

(a) Seek, receive and respond to information on all aspects of the realization of the right to food, including the urgent necessity of eradicating hunger;

(b) Establish cooperation with Governments, intergovernmental organizations, in particular the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and non-governmental organizations on the promotion and effective implementation of the right to food, and make appropriate recommendations on the realization thereof, taking into consideration the work already done in this field throughout the United Nations system;

(c) Identify emerging issues related to the right to food worldwide.

The Council also endorsed the Commission's request to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all necessary human and financial resources for the effective fulfilment of the mandate of the Special Rapporteur.

⁹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2000, Supplement No. 3 and corrigendum (E/2000/23 and Corr.1)*, chap. II, sect. A.