ECOSOC Decision 2004/268

Follow-up to the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education

At its 48th plenary meeting, on 22 July 2004, the Economic and Social Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2004/71¹ and decision 2004/121² of 21 April 2004 and endorsed the Commission's recommendation to the Council that at its substantive session of 2004 it recommend to the General Assembly that it proclaim at its fifty-ninth session a world programme for human rights education, to begin on 1 January 2005, structured in consecutive phases, in order to maintain and develop the implementation of human rights education programmes in all sectors.

The Council also endorsed the Commission's request to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare, in cooperation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other relevant governmental and nongovernmental actors, and submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-ninth session for consideration and adoption, a plan of action for the first phase (2005-2007) of the proposed world programme, focusing on the primary and secondary school systems.

¹ See E/2004/23 (Part I), chap. II, sect. A.

² See E/2004/23 (Part I), chap. II, sect. B.