

ECOSOC Decision 2005/259

Situation of human rights in Belarus

At its 38th plenary meeting, on 25 July 2005, the Economic and Social Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/13 of 14 April 2005,¹ and endorsed the Commission's decision to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Belarus for a further year, from within existing resources and requested him to continue his efforts to establish direct contacts with the Government and the people of Belarus, with a view to examining the situation of human rights in Belarus and following any progress made towards the elaboration of a programme on human rights education for all sectors of society, in particular law enforcement, the judiciary, prison officials and civil society, and to report to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

The Council also endorsed the Commission's request to the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all necessary assistance in the discharge of his mandate.

¹ See E/2005/23 (Part I), chap. II.A.