At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 27 July 1999, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1999/14 of 23 April 1999, endorsed the Commission’s decision:

(a) To extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq as contained in Commission resolution 1991/74 of 6 March 1991 and subsequent resolutions, for a further year, and to request the Special Rapporteur to submit an interim report on the situation of human rights in Iraq to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session and to report to the Commission at its fifty-sixth session, and also to keep a gender perspective in mind when seeking and analysing information;

(b) To request the Secretary-General to continue to give all necessary assistance to the Special Rapporteur to enable him to discharge his mandate fully, and to approve the allocation of sufficient human and material resources for the sending of human rights monitors to such locations as would facilitate improved information flow and assessment and help in the independent verification of reports on the situation of human rights in Iraq.