

1999/232. Situation of human rights in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), the Republic of Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina

At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 27 July 1999, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1999/18 of 23 April 1999.³²

(a) Endorsed the Commission's decision to renew for one year the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

(b) Approved the Commission's request that the Special Rapporteur carry out missions to:

- (i) Bosnia and Herzegovina, including the Republika Srpska;
- (ii) The Republic of Croatia, including Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium;
- (iii) The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), including to Kosovo, as well as to Sandjak and Vojvodina;

(c) Endorsed the Commission's decision:

- (i) To request the Special Rapporteur to report to the Commission at its fifty-sixth session on the work carried out in fulfilment of his mandate, and to make interim reports as appropriate about his work in support of the Kosovo initiative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and to submit interim reports to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session;
- (ii) To request the Secretary-General to continue to make the Special Rapporteur's reports available to the Security Council, to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and to other international organizations concerned with human rights and humanitarian questions;
- (iii) To urge the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to make all necessary resources available for the Special Rapporteur to carry out his mandate successfully and, in particular, to provide him with adequate staff based in those territories to ensure effective continuous monitoring of the human rights situation in the countries of the mandate and coordination with other international organizations involved.