

1992/53. Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1991/64 of 26 July 1991 on the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women,

Recognizing the critical role of rural women as food producers and architects of household food security,

Noting with deep concern the continuing rise in the number of rural women living in poverty,

Reiterating its commitment to contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of rural women,

Welcoming the organization of the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women, held at Geneva on 25 and 26 February 1992, with the participation of a large number of First Ladies and high-level delegations,

Expressing its appreciation to the Patron of the Summit, to the core group of First Ladies who launched the initiative to convene the Summit and to the International Fund for Agricultural Development and other institutions that provided support for the Summit,

1. *Welcomes* the adoption by the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women of the Geneva Declaration for Rural Women;¹¹⁶

2. *Urges* all States to work for the achievement of the goals endorsed in the Geneva Declaration;

3. *Urges* all relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to take into account the goals of the Geneva Declaration in carrying out their programmes, and invites the relevant governing bodies to consider specific measures, within their competence, to address the special needs of rural women in the light of the Geneva Declaration.

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