

**1992/55. Combating aridity, soil erosion, salinity, water-logging, desertification and the effects of drought in South Asia**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1991/97 of 26 July 1991,

*Taking note* of the interim note by the Secretary-General on the implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/97,<sup>119</sup>

*Stressing* that South Asia, one of the most populous regions in the world, contains significant areas subject to aridity, soil erosion, salinity, water-logging, desertification and the effects of drought, which affect the lives of millions of people and the entire environment of the region,

*Stressing also* the importance of the study requested in its resolution 1991/97 in the context of national and international cooperative efforts,

1. *Notes with concern* that the complete implementation of resolution 1991/97 could not be carried out and its results presented to the Council at its substantive session of 1992;

2. *Urges* the Secretary-General, in full compliance with resolution 1991/97, to submit the study to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

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