

## 1999/56. Tobacco or health

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* that, since the adoption of its first resolution on tobacco or health, resolution 1993/79 of 30 July 1993, the Council has adopted two other resolutions, 1994/47 of 29 July 1994 and 1995/62 of 28 July 1995, in which the Secretary-General was requested to submit to the Council at subsequent substantive sessions reports on progress made by the United Nations system focal point on tobacco or health in the implementation of the multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health,

*Noting with appreciation* that so far the Secretary-General has submitted to the Council three reports on progress made in the implementation of multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health,<sup>158</sup> upon receipt of which the Council congratulated the Secretary-General for their high quality,

*Recognizing* the initiatives taken within the United Nations system, other international organizations and Member States to address the issue of tobacco or health,

*Expressing concern* that tobacco control has yet to reverse the negative trends in terms of the death toll from tobacco,

*Acknowledging* the recent initiatives within the United Nations system to intensify a system-wide response to tobacco control through the establishment of an Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control and the support of the Secretary-General for this initiative,

*Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Council at its substantive session of 2000 on progress made by the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control in the implementation of multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health, with particular emphasis on the development of appropriate strategies to address the social and economic implications of the impact of tobacco or health initiatives.

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<sup>158</sup> E/1994/83, E/1995/67 and Add.1 and E/1997/62.