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DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Provides documentation for and assists the secretariats of the Third Committee of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in substantive matters;

Provides secretariats for subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council dealing with human rights;

Prepares publications on human rights;

Helps to put into effect the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights established by General Assembly resolution 926 (X).

(a) Office of the Director

(b) Section I

Provides the secretariat and documentation for the Commission on Human Rights;

Prepares for publication the "Yearbook on Human Rights";

Organizes seminars on human rights and other matters within the programme of advisory services;

Assists the subsidiary organs of the Commission on Human Rights to prepare studies on specific rights or groups of rights;

Prepares summaries of Governments' triennial reports on human rights, as provided by paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 624 B (XXII);

Deals with communications concerning human rights, as provided by Economic and Social Council resolution 75 (V) as amended, and with communications on such matters as the status of women, trade union rights and forced labour, for which analogous procedures have been established.

(c) Section II

Provides the secretariat and documentation for the Sub-Commission on the Prevention of Discrimination and the Protection of Minorities;

Helps the special rapporteurs of the Sub-Commission to prepare their reports.

(d) Section III

Provides the secretariat and documentation for the Commission on the Status of Women;

Organizes seminars on the status of women.