

General and the Director of the Institute, it being understood that no extra costs to the regular budget of the United Nations are incurred.

### **Article VIII**

#### **Cooperation with other organizations and institutions**

1. The Institute shall develop arrangements for active and close cooperation with the specialized and related agencies of the United Nations as well as with other organs, programmes and institutions within the United Nations system.
2. The Institute shall endeavour to develop arrangements for cooperation with other organizations or institutions involved in training and research activities which are relevant to the work of the Institute and which may be of assistance to the Institute in the performance of its functions.

### **Article IX**

#### **Location**

The headquarters of the Institute shall be located in the Dominican Republic at Santo Domingo. The Institute may with the approval of the Board and after consultations with the Secretary-General of the United Nations establish other offices elsewhere.

### **Article X**

#### **Amendments**

1. Amendments to this statute may be made by the Economic and Social Council.
2. The Board may review the provisions of this statute and propose to the Economic and Social Council such amendments, as it may consider necessary.
3. The Secretary-General may submit to the Board or, if necessary, to the Economic and Social Council, after consultation with the President of the Board, proposals for the revision of the present statute.

## **2003/58**

### **Enhancement of the functioning of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in regard to the operation of the mechanisms of the Commission on Human Rights**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Reaffirming* that the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights should continue to ensure effective coordination between its various branches in order to avoid any overlapping among all the mechanisms mandated and/or reporting to the Commission on Human Rights, as referred to in the report of the intersessional open-ended working group on enhancing the effectiveness of the mechanisms of the Commission,<sup>190</sup>

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<sup>190</sup> E/CN.4/2000/112.

*Taking note* of decision 47/102 of the Commission on the Status of Women,<sup>191</sup> in which the Commission requested the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the future work of the Working Group on Communications on the Status of Women for its consideration,

1. *Decides* to postpone any decision on the transmission of communications and their contents between the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council until the Commission on the Status of Women concludes its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General regarding the future work of the Working Group on Communications on the Status of Women and, in the meantime, to continue with present practice, as set out, notably in its resolution 1983/27 of 26 May 1983;

2. *Confirms* that communications and urgent appeals are to be forwarded to the concerned States under the authorization of the special mechanism mandate holders;

3. *Decides* that the present decision overrides Commission on Human Rights decision 2003/113 of 25 April 2003.<sup>192</sup>

*48th plenary meeting*  
*24 July 2003*

## **2003/59**

### **Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 57/269 of 20 December 2002,

*Also recalling* its resolution 2002/31 of 25 July 2002,

*Guided* by the principles of the Charter of the United Nations affirming the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by force, and recalling relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 242 (1967) of 22 November 1967, 465 (1980) of 1 March 1980 and 497 (1981) of 17 December 1981,

*Reaffirming* the applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,<sup>193</sup> to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967,

*Stressing* the importance of the revival of the Middle East peace process on the basis of Security Council resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973) of 22 October 1973, 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978 and 1397 (2002) of 12 March 2002, and the principle of land for peace as well as compliance with the agreements reached between the

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<sup>191</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2003, Supplement No. 7 (E/2003/27)*, chap. I, sect. C.

<sup>192</sup> See E/2003/23 (Part I), chap. II, sect. B.

<sup>193</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, No. 973.