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**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS**

**The right to development**

**Note by the Secretariat**

1. In its resolution 2003/83, the Commission on Human Rights requested the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights to prepare a concept document establishing options for the implementation of the right to development and their feasibility, inter alia, an international legal standard of a binding nature, guidelines on the implementation of the right to development and principles for development partnership, based on the Declaration on the Right to Development, including issues which any such instrument might address, for submission to the Commission at its sixty-first session for its consideration and determination of the feasibility of those options.
2. In its decision 2003/116, the Sub-Commission decided to request Ms. Florizelle O'Connor to prepare and to submit to the Sub-Commission at its fifty-sixth session a working paper identifying and analyzing possible alternatives that would enable the Sub-Commission to respond fully and as effectively as possible to the Commission's request by the date fixed in resolution 2003/83.
3. On 20 July 2004, the Secretariat was informed by Ms. O'Connor that she would not be able to submit the working paper she was requested to prepare.

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