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**ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS**

**Promoting the right to development in the context of the United Nations  
Decade for the Elimination of Poverty (1997-2006)**

**Note by the Secretariat**

1. In its resolution 1999/9, the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights requested the Secretary General “to invite all relevant United Nations bodies and agencies to step up their action aimed at promoting international cooperation for the realization of the right to development in the context of the United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) and to provide him with information thereon”. It also requested the Secretary-General “to transmit annually to the Sub-Commission the information received”.
2. Following that request, reports (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2000/14 and Add.1, and E/CN.4/Sub.2/2001/11 and Add.1) and notes (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2002/8, E/CN.4/Sub.2/2003/8 and E/CN.4/Sub.2/2004/13) have been submitted.
3. In this context, the Secretary-General would like to draw the attention of the Sub-Commission to the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/CN.4/2005/24) submitted in accordance with the Commission on Human Rights resolution 1998/72, containing information on:
  - “(a) The activities of the Office relating to the implementation of the right to development as contained in the High Commissioner’s mandate;
  - (b) The implementation of resolutions of the Commission on Human Rights and the General Assembly with regard to the right to development;

(c) Inter-agency coordination within the United Nations system for the implementation of relevant resolutions of the Commission in that regard”.

4. The Secretary-General would also like to draw the attention of the Sub-Commission to the report A/59/255, submitted in accordance with the General Assembly resolution 58/172, entitled “The right to development”, containing summaries of the information received by Member States, United Nations organs and bodies, specialized agencies, funds and programmes, international development and financial institutions, in particular the Bretton Woods institutions, and non-governmental organizations on the implementation of that resolution.

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