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## RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[on the report of the Second Committee (A/52/628/Add.5)]

## 52/191. Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 43/181 of 20 December 1988, in which it adopted the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000 and designated the Commission on Human Settlements as the United Nations intergovernmental body responsible for coordinating, evaluating and monitoring the Strategy, and the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) as the lead agency for the Strategy,

*Noting* that the conclusions of the mid-term review of the Strategy, conducted by the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), were incorporated into the Habitat Agenda,<sup>1</sup>

Having considered the fifth report of the Commission on Human Settlements on the implementation of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000,<sup>2</sup>

Noting with satisfaction the support given to the implementation of the Global Strategy by donor Governments, international bodies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,

- 1. Commends Governments that are already revising, consolidating, formulating or implementing their national shelter strategies based on the enabling principles of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000, as elaborated in the Habitat Agenda;<sup>1</sup>
- 2. *Urges* Governments, in connection with the implementation of their national plans of action on human settlements, to adopt or strengthen integrated national shelter strategies based on the enabling approach and sustainable development;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/CONF.165/14, chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/52/8/Add.1).

- 3. Also urges Governments to integrate fully the environmental dimension in the formulation and implementation of national shelter strategies, taking into account the relevant components of Agenda 21;<sup>3</sup>
- 4. *Recommends* that Governments extend the application of urban and housing indicators to cities and rural settlements for monitoring the progress of their national shelter strategy and the performance of the shelter sector, taking into account local conditions and sensitivity to gender considerations;
- 5. *Urges* the international community to strengthen its support for national efforts to formulate and implement enabling shelter strategies in developing countries, as recommended in Agenda 21;
- 6. *Urges* the organizations of the United Nations system, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, and other multilateral and bilateral agencies to provide, on the basis of an approach consistent with the Global Strategy, increased financial and other support to Governments for achieving the objective of adequate shelter for all;
- 7. Adopts the plan of action for the implementation of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000 during the biennium 1998-1999,<sup>4</sup> and urges Governments, relevant United Nations and private sector organizations, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to prepare and implement their specific plans of action;
- 8. *Decides* to subsume the sixth report of the Commission on Human Settlements to the General Assembly on the implementation of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000, as called for in Assembly resolution 43/181, under the report of the Secretary-General to the Assembly on the implementation of the Habitat Agenda, to be submitted pursuant to Assembly resolution 51/177 of 16 December 1996.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992, vol. I, Resolutions adopted by the Conference (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/52/8/Add.1), annex.