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CREATION OF THE POST OF UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has the honour to submit herewith the reply received, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1238 (XLII) from the Government of New Zealand.

NEW ZEALAND

.... New Zealand maintains that the General Assembly should make every effort to give practical expression and meaning to those provisions of the Charter which are directed towards standards of social justice and equality of rights for all. For this reason New Zealand supported the proposal to establish the office of High Commissioner for Human Rights when it was considered in the Commission on Human Rights and believes that the General Assembly's consideration of this subject at the twenty-second session could be of central importance in the development of the interest and influence of the United Nations in the field of human rights....