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## THE SITUATION OF REFUGEES, RETURNEES, AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE AMERICAS

(Resolution adopted at the fourth plenary session, held on June 6, 2000)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

## CONSIDERING:

That, through its resolutions AG/RES. 774 (XV-O/85), AG/RES. 838 (XVI-O/86), AG/RES. 951 (XVIII-O/88), AG/RES. 1021 (XIX-O/89), AG/RES. 1039 (XX-O/90), AG/RES. 1040 (XX-O/90), AG/RES. 1103 (XXI-O/91), AG/RES. 1170 (XXII-O/92), AG/RES. 1214 (XXIII-O/93), AG/RES. 1273 (XXIV-O/94), AG/RES. 1336 (XXV-O/95), AG/RES. 1416 (XXVI-O/96), AG/RES. 1504 (XXVII-O/97), and AG/RES. 1602 (XXVIII-O/98), it expressed its concern for those persons in the Americas who, as refugees, returnees, or internally displaced persons, require protection of their fundamental rights and the provision of humanitarian assistance;

That, in support of the worldwide campaign of the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees to promote accessions to the 1951 Geneva Convention on the Status of Refugees, which will mark its 50th anniversary next year, to the 1967 Protocol on the Status of Refugees, to the 1954 Convention on the Status of Stateless Persons, and to the 1961 Convention on Reduction of Statelessness, this Assembly adopted resolution AG/RES.1693 (XXIX-O/99), urging those member states that have not yet done so to ratify these international instruments and to adopt national law to give them effect; and that, in addition, it requested the Secretary General to report to the General Assembly at its next session on progress in following up that resolution; and

That in his report the Secretary General provides detailed information on the number of member states that have not yet acceded to those international instruments and points as well as to significant gaps in national law,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To reiterate its appeal to member states in order that, as soon as possible, all American states will have adhered to either or both of the international instruments on refugees and adopted the necessary national law on the matter and the number of countries that are parties to the conventions on statelessness will be increased.
- 2. To request member states to keep the Secretary General informed of progress in implementing this resolution, enabling him to prepare a supplementary report on the matter to the General Assembly at its next session.