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Addendum

1. The attention of the Preparatory Committee is drawn to the attached study entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations human rights programme: one of the priorities of the Organization", prepared by Ms. Maria Vassiliou. The study was commissioned by the Centre for Human Rights pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 45/155 of 18 December 1990 and 46/116 of 17 December 1991.
2. The theme of the study corresponds to the sixth objective of the World Conference on Human Rights; this objective, set out in paragraph 1 (f) of resolution 45/155, is the following:

"To make recommendations for ensuring the necessary financial and other resources for the United Nations activities in the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms".

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STRENGTHENING OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME:
ONE OF THE PRIORITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

by

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