



FIRST UNITED NATIONS CONGRESS ON THE PREVENTION
OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS

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Plenary Meeting

STANDARD MINIMUM RULES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS

Draft Resolution proposed by the General Rapporteur

The First United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,

Having adopted the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Offenders annexed to the present Resolution,

1. Requests the Secretary-General, in accordance with paragraph (d) of the Annex to Resolution 415 (V) of the General Assembly of the United Nations, to submit these Rules to the Social Commission of the Economic and Social Council for approval,
2. Expresses the hope that these Rules be adopted by the Economic and Social Council and, if deemed appropriate by the Council, by the General Assembly, and that they be transmitted to governments with the recommendation that (a) favourable consideration be given to their adoption and application in the administration of penal institutions, and (b) the Secretary-General be informed every three years of the progress made with regard to their application,
3. Expresses the wish that in order to allow governments to keep themselves informed of the progress made in this respect, the Secretary-General be requested to publish in the International Review of Criminal Policy the information sent by governments in pursuance of paragraph 2, and that he be authorized to ask for supplementary information if necessary,
4. Expresses also the wish that the Secretary-General be requested to arrange that the widest possible publicity be given to these Rules.

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