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#### 5.4.2 Action programme to promote a culture of peace (141 EX/16 and 141 EX/42)

The Executive Board.

1. Bearing in mind the Yamoussoukro Declaration (1989), the Montevideo Declaration on Democratic Culture and 'Governance' (1990), the conclusions of the Prague 'Culture and Democracy' Forum (1991), the findings of the International Forum on Education for Democracy (Tunis, 1992), the World Plan of Action on Education for Human Rights and Democracy (Montreal, 1993) and the proposals made by the Secretary-General of the United Nations in 'An Agenda for Peace', which contains an appeal to the international community for the construction of peace,
2. Recalling that the General Conference at its twenty-sixth session noted, in connection with the implementation of the 1974 Recommendation, the ethical mission of UNESCO, particularly in the promotion of a culture of peace, through education, science and culture, ensuring respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms,
3. Recalling that the General Conference also took note of the draft action plan annexed to document 26 C/82 and approved the initiation of action to integrate peace and human rights education,
4. Bearing in mind 140 EX/Decision 5.4.2 inviting the Director-General to prepare an action programme to promote a culture of peace,
5. Having examined document 141 EX/16,
6. Invites the Director-General to pursue expert consultations, on an equitable geographical basis, with a view to arriving at a clearer definition of all the activities contained in the Draft Programme and Budget for 1994-1995 (27 C/5) that specifically relate to the culture of peace, which is indissolubly linked with human rights, tolerance and democracy;
7. Also invites the Director-General to make provision in document 27 C/5, as a special activity, for an international forum on peace education and culture, which could be held in 1994;
8. Draws the attention of the International Conference on Education at its 44th session, in 1994, to the desirability of its taking the question of the culture of peace into account in its recommendations;
9. Decides to include this item in the agenda for its 142nd session, and requests the Director-General to revise document 141 EX/16 in the light of the debates at the present session.

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