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2. In its resolution 34/114 of 14 December 1979, the General Assembly mandated UN-Habitat to prepare a global report on human settlements every five years. In 1996, reaffirming its commitment to the preparation of such a report, the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) requested UN-Habitat:

   “to analyse and monitor major trends in urbanization and the impact of policies for urban and rural settlements, to track progress in the implementation of the Habitat Agenda, and to continue its publication programme, including, inter alia, publication of the Global State of Human Settlements report”.

3. The General Assembly reaffirmed the mandate in its resolution 55/194 of 20 December 2000 (section VI, para. 1), in which it encouraged Member States and Habitat Agenda partners:

   “to provide support for the preparation of the Global Report on Human Settlements and the State of the World’s Cities report on a biennial basis so as to raise awareness of human settlements and to provide information on urban conditions and trends around the world.”

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* HSP/GC/20/1.
1 Habitat Agenda, para. 228 (m).