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145. At its 415th and 416th meetings, on 19 and 20 February 1981, the Committee adopted its report to the Economic and Social Council on the work carried out during the session.

VII. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

Duration of the session

146. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at Headquarters from 9 to 20 February 1981. The Committee held 17 plenary meetings (400th to 416th meetings) and a number of informal meetings.

147. The session was opened by Mr. Kofi Asante (Ghana), temporary Chairman.

Membership and attendance

148. Representatives of the following States members of the Committee attended the session: Chile, Cuba, France, Ghana, India, Iraq, Kenya, Pakistan, Sweden, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

149. The session was also attended by the following:

States not members of the Committee represented by observers: Norway, Oman, Romania and Sri Lanka

State not a Member of the United Nations represented by an observer: Holy See

United Nations bodies: United Nations Children's Fund

Specialized agencies: International Labour Organisation (ILO)
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Non-governmental organizations


Officers

150. At its 400th meeting, on 9 February, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman: Mr. Sarbuland KHAN (Pakistan)

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Andrei Andreyevich OZADOVSKY (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Rapporteur: Mr. Richard H. O. OKWARO (Kenya)

Agenda

151. At its 400th meeting, on 9 February 1981, the Committee considered the provisional agenda of the session (E/C.2/774). The agenda, as adopted, read as follows:

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations
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established form and methods of work but by the fuller use of the possibilities set forth in Economic and Social Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) as well as in paragraph (b) of Council decision 1981/163 of 8 May 1981.

143. At the 444th meeting, on 18 February, the representative of Pakistan introduced and orally revised a draft resolution (E/C.2/1983/L.4), entitled "Review of future activities".

144. In the discussion of the draft resolution prior to its adoption, some members of the Committee suggested the establishment of a pre-screening working group that would meet before the session of the Committee to undertake preliminary work with the aid of hearings and/or questionnaires with a view to expediting the work of the Committee. Other delegations, however, opposed this suggestion.

145. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/1983/L.4, as orally revised. 5/

V. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

A. Duration of the session

146. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations Headquarters from 7 to 18 February 1983. The Committee held 19 plenary meetings (426th to 444th meetings) and a number of informal meetings.

147. The session was opened by Mr. Sajjad Ali (Pakistan), Chairman of the Committee in 1982. The Committee approved its agenda, which is reproduced in annex I, and had before it the documentation listed in annex II of the present report.

B. Membership and attendance

148. The following States members of the Committee were represented:

- Chile
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Cyprus
- France
- Ghana
- India
- Kenya
- Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
- Nicaragua
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Rwanda
- Sweden
- Thailand
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- United States of America
- Yugoslavia
3. The following States not members of the Committee participated as observers:

Algeria
Canada
Czechoslovakia
Egypt
Germany, Federal Republic of
Japan
Mongolia
Romania

40. The Holy See was represented by an observer.

41. The following United Nations body was represented: United Nations Children's

42. The following specialized agencies were represented:

International Labour Organization
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

43. The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:

(a) **Category I**

International Chamber of Commerce
International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
International Council on Social Welfare
International Federation of Business and Professional Women
Muslim World League
United Towns Organization
World Assembly of Youth (WAY)
World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)

(b) **Category II**

Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization
Agudas Israel World Organization
Amnesty International
Associated Country Women of the World
Bahá'í International Community
Baptist World Alliance
Christian Peace Conference
Co-ordinating Board of Jewish Organizations (CBJO)
International Council of Monuments and Sites
International Electrotechnical Committee
Jaycees International
Pax Christi, International Catholic Peace Movement
Soroptimist International
World Association of Former United Nations Interns and Fellows
World Conference on Religion and Peace
World Council for the Welfare of the Blind
World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations

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World Women's Christian Temperance Union
World Young Women's Christian Association
Zonta International

(c) Roster

Council for Development of Economic and Social Research in Africa,
The (CODESRIA)
Data for Development
International Abolitionist Federation
International Police Association
International Union of Students
Minority Rights Group
OISCA International (Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and
   Cultural Advancement International)
World Association for Element-Building and Prefabrication

C. Officers

154. At its 426th and 429th meetings, on 7 and 8 February, the Committee elected
the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman: Mrs. Emilia Castro de BARISH (Costa Rica)
Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Rose Adhiambo ARUNGU-OLENDE (Kenya)
Rapporteur: Mrs. Simone POUDADE (France)

Notes

1/ See chap. I, sect. A, draft decision I.
3/ See chap. I, sect. A, draft decision III.
4/ For the decision adopted by the Committee, see chap. I, sect. A, draft
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AGENDA

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2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
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4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in categories I and II
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V. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

81. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations headquarters from 30 January to 3 February 1984. The Committee held 10 meetings (1st to 10th) and a number of informal meetings.

82. The session was opened by Mrs. Emilia Castro de Barish (Costa Rica), Chairman of the Committee in 1983.

B. Attendance

83. All the States members of the Committee were represented at the special session:

Chile                  Pakistan
Costa Rica             Rwanda
Cuba                   Sweden
Cyprus                 Thailand
France                 Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Ghana                  United Kingdom of Great Britain
India                  and Northern Ireland
Kenya                  United States of America
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Yugoslavia
Nicaragua
Nigeria

84. The following States not members of the Committee participated as observers:

Austria               Romania
Czechoslovakia         Syrian Arab Republic
Germany, Federal Republic of
Japan

85. The Holy See was represented by an observer.

86. The United Nations Children's Fund was represented.

87. The following specialized agencies were represented:

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
World Health Organization

88. The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:
(a) **Category I**

- International Alliance of Women - Equal Rights, Equal Responsibilities
- International Chamber of Commerce
- International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
- International Council on Social Welfare
- World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)

**Category II**

- Bahá'í International Community
- Baptist World Alliance
- Christian Peace Conference
- Co-ordinating Board of Jewish Organizations (CBJO)
- International Association against Painful Experiments on Animals
- International Council of Jewish Women
- International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres
- International Movement for Fraternal Union among Races and Peoples (UFER)
- International Union of Building Societies and Savings Associations
- Jaycees International
- Pax Christi, International Catholic Peace Movement
- St. Joan's International Alliance
- Soroptimist International
- World Association of Former United Nations Interns and Fellows
- World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations
- World Young Women's Christian Association

**Roster**

- Association for World Education
- Brahma Kumari World Spiritual University
- International Association for the Defence of Religious Liberty
- International Police Association
- Movement for a Better World

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C. **Election of officers**

89. At its 1st meeting, on 30 January, the Committee re-elected the following officers by acclamation:

- **Chairman:** Mrs. Emilia Castro de Barish (Costa Rica)
- **Vice-Chairman:** Mrs. Rose Adhiambo Arungu-Olende (Kenya)

At the same meeting, the Committee also elected the following officer by acclamation:

- **Rapporteur:** Mr. Jean-Marc Rochereau de La Sablière (France)
90. At its 10th meeting, on 3 February, the Chairman introduced a draft decision entitled "Increase in the membership of the Bureau of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations" (E/C.2/1984/L.2). At her suggestion, the Committee agreed to discuss the matter at its session in 1985.

D. Agenda

91. At its 1st meeting, the Committee considered its provisional agenda (E/C.2/1984/1). After hearing a suggestion by the representative of Cyprus, the Committee agreed to add another item, entitled "Other business", to the provisional agenda.

92. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the following agenda, as amended:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations.
4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in categories I and II consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.
5. Adoption of the report of the Committee.
6. Other business.

E. Documentation

93. The documents that were before the Committee at its special session are listed in the annex to the present report.

VI. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

94. At its 10th meeting, on 3 February, the Committee adopted the draft report on the work of its special session (E/1983/L.3 and Add.1 and 2).

Notes

1/ Formerly known as Asociación Interamericana e Ibéria de Presupuesto Público.

2/ See para. 1 above, draft decision 1.
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24. One delegation asked that the statement of principles and concerns referred to by the President of the Conference be circulated as an official document.

25. The Committee also discussed the question of the rationalization of its future work. A number of suggestions were made in this connection. It was stressed that the Committee was not able to work effectively unless the documentation were made available well in advance of its meetings.

26. Several delegations indicated that limiting the number of applications to reconsider at a given session of the Committee might improve the effectiveness of its work. In this connection, it was suggested that applications from non-governmental organizations should be accepted only from those that had been in existence for more than four years. It was also proposed that priorities should be given to applications from non-governmental organizations working in fields that were not frequently covered by the non-governmental organizations currently in consultative status. Several delegations suggested grouping non-governmental organizations whose activities were similar or related in nature, while others considered the practical aspects of this unworkable.

27. With regard to the methods for rationalizing the consideration of applications from non-governmental organizations, several delegations suggested that the Committee might establish a working group which would undertake an examination of the applications before the Committee began its consideration of all of the applications received; there was, however, no agreement on this matter. Various delegations also indicated that the work of the Committee in examining applications would be greatly facilitated by obtaining from the non-governmental organizations larger quantities of their publications and whatever reference material could be made available on their activities and aims.

VI. PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN 1987

28. At its 470th meeting, on 22 March 1985, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its session to be held in 1987 and decided to submit it to the Council for its review (see chap. I, draft decision III).

VII. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

29. At its 470th meeting, on 22 March 1985, the Committee adopted the report on its session in 1985 (E/C.2/1985/L.1 and Add.1-5), as amended during the discussion.

VIII. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

30. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations Headquarters, from 11 to 22 March 1985. The Committee held 23 meetings (448th to 470th meetings) and a number of informal meetings. The session was opened by Emilia Castro de Barish (Costa Rica), Chairman of the Committee in 1983.
B. Attendance

Members of the Committee

Representatives of the following States members of the Committee attended the session: Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, France, Ghana, India, Kenya, Libyan Arab Republic, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Rwanda, Sweden, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yugoslavia.

The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers: Algeria, Austria, Bangladesh, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Jamaica, Mongolia, Oman, Romania, Sudan, Togo, Uganda.

The Holy See was represented by an observer.

The following specialized agencies were represented: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization.

The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:

Category I. International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, International Council of Women, Muslim World League, Soroptimist International, United Towns Association, World Muslim Congress;

C. Election of officers

36. At its 448th to 450th meetings, on 11 and 12 March, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

   **Chairman:** Emilia CASTRO DE BARISH (Costa Rica)

   **Vice-Chairman:** Alexandros N. VIKIS (Cyprus)

   **Rapporteur:** Ashur FARTAS (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya)

D. Agenda

37. At its 448th and 449th meetings, on 11 March, the Committee considered the provisional agenda for the session (E/C.2/1985/1). At its 449th meeting the Committee adopted the following agenda:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations.

4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in categories I and II.

5. Other matters deferred from the 1984 special session of the Committee.

6. Review of future activities.

7. Provisional agenda and documentation for the next session of the Committee.

8. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

E. Documentation

38. The list of documents before the Committee is given in the annex to the present report.
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organizations in the area of human rights and called upon Governments to recognize that human rights were a prerogative of the United Nations and that efforts to protect such rights did not constitute interference in the internal affairs of States.

VII. PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN 1989

66. The Committee considered item 6 of its agenda at its 491st meeting, on 27 February 1987. It had before it a note by the Secretariat containing the draft provisional agenda for the session of the Committee to be held in 1989 (E/C.2/1987/CRP.2).

67. At the same meeting, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its session to be held in 1989 and decided to submit it to the Economic and Social Council for review (see sect. I, draft decision II).

VIII. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

68. At its 491st and 492nd meetings, on 27 February 1987, the Committee adopted the draft report on its current session (E/C.2/1987/L.1 and Add.1-5), as amended during the discussion.

IX. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

69. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations Headquarters, from 17 to 27 February 1987. The Committee held 18 meetings (475th to 492nd meetings). The session was opened by Emilia Castro de Barish (Costa Rica), Chairman of the Committee in 1985.

B. Attendance

70. Representatives of all the States members of the Committee attended the session: Bulgaria, Burundi, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, France, Greece, Kenya, Malawi, Nicaragua, Oman, Pakistan, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

71. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers: Algeria, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Germany, Federal Republic of, India, Iraq, Italy, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Romania, Syrian Arab Republic, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela, Yugoslavia.

72. The Holy See was represented by an observer.
73. The World Food Council was represented at the session.

74. The following specialized agencies were represented: International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Bank, International Fund for Agricultural Development, United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

75. The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:


C. Election of officers

76. At its 475th and 477th meetings, on 17 and 18 February, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

   Chairman: Célestin Kabanda (Rwanda)

   Vice-Chairman: Emil Y. Golemanov (Bulgaria)

   Rapporteur: Erato Kozakou-Marcoullis (Cyprus)

D. Agenda

77. At its 475th meeting, on 17 February, the Committee considered the provisional agenda for the session (E/C.2/1987/1).
78. At the same meeting:

(a) The attention of the Committee was drawn to the note by the Secretary-General containing a proposal made by a non-governmental organization for the inclusion of an item in the provisional agenda for the second regular session of 1987 of the Economic and Social Council (E/C.2/1987/3); 10/

(b) The Committee was informed of a proposal by the Secretary-General for the reinstatement by the Council of an annual informal consultation with non-governmental organizations; 11/

(c) The attention of the Committee was also drawn to the request made by the Economic and Social Council in paragraph (i) of its decision 1987/112 on the in-depth study of the United Nations intergovernmental structure and functions in the economic and social fields; 11/

(d) The attention of the Committee was further drawn to Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/1, in which the Council, inter alia, invited its subsidiary organs to take appropriate measures to observe the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the International Covenants on Human Rights. 12/

79. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the following agenda for the session:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations.
4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in categories I and II consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.
5. Review of future activities.
6. Provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1989.
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10/ For the Committee's consideration of the question, see sect. V above.
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NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

SUMMARY

This report contains three draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council.

By draft decision I, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Council:

(a) That consultative status be granted to 51 non-governmental organizations which had applied;

(b) That six non-governmental organizations be reclassified.

By draft decision II, the Committee requests the Council to approve the provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1991.

By draft decision III, the Committee requests the Council to reclassify three non-governmental organizations for failure to provide the additional information requested by the Committee at its session in 1987. The Committee also requests the Council to reclassify a non-governmental organization that had failed to provide satisfactory additional information.

The Committee recommends that the Council consider a question entitled "Charter of housing rights", as proposed by a non-governmental organization in E/1989/30.
47. The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Economic and Social Council to the comments set out in paragraph 46.

V. ITEM PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

48. At its 506th meeting, on 31 January 1989, the Committee considered the note by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/1989/5) containing a proposal made by the International Union of Local Authorities, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council, category I, for the inclusion of an item entitled "Charter of housing rights" in the provisional agenda for the second regular session of 1989 of the Council.

49. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend the Council to consider the above-mentioned question at its second regular session of 1989 under the item entitled "Development and international economic co-operation: human settlements" (see para. 2 above).

VI. PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN 1991

50. The Committee considered item 6 of its agenda at its 511th meeting, on 2 February 1989. It had before it, in an informal paper, the draft provisional agenda for the session to be held in 1991.

51. At the same meeting, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for the session to be held in 1991 and decided to submit it to the Economic and Social Council for review (see sect. I.A, draft decision II).

VII. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

52. At its 511th and 512th meetings, on 2 and 3 February 1989, the Committee adopted the draft report on its current session (E/C.2/1989/L.1 and Add.1-6), as amended during the discussion.

VIII. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

53. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations Headquarters, from 23 January to 3 February 1989. The Committee held 19 meetings (494th to 512th meetings). In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee in 1987, Célestin Kabanda (Rwanda), the session was opened by Oswald Rukashaza (Rwanda).
B. Attendance

54. Representatives of all the States members of the Committee attended the session: Bulgaria, Burundi, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, France, Greece, Kenya, Malawi, Nicaragua, Oman, Pakistan, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

55. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers: Algeria, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Honduras, India, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Romania, Spain, Sudan, Tunisia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Yugoslavia.

56. The following specialized agencies were represented:

   Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
   United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
   World Health Organization

57. The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:


C. Election of Officers

3. At its 494th meeting, on 23 January 1989, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

   Chairman: Annie Marie SUNDBOM (Sweden)

   Vice-Chairman: Emil Y. GOLEMANOV (Bulgaria)

   Rapporteur: Elias ELIADES (Cyprus)
D. Agenda

59. At its 494th meeting, on 23 January 1989, the Committee adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/C.2/1989/1. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
   (a) Applications for consultative status deferred from the 1987 session of the Committee;
   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification.
4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, categories I and II.
5. Review of future activities.
6. Provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1991.
7. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

E. Documentation

60. The list of documents before the Committee is given in the annex to the present report.

61. The Committee strongly deplored the fact that the documentation had not been issued on time and that, moreover, some documents had not been available in all the working languages of the Committee. The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Secretariat to the need for the timely issuance of the documentation in all the relevant languages, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.
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SUMMARY

This report contains three draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council.

By draft decision I, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Council:

(a) That consultative status be granted to 36 non-governmental organizations which had applied;

(b) That nine non-governmental organizations be reclassified.

By draft decision II, the Committee requests the Council to approve the provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1993.

By draft decision III, the Committee recommends that the Council withdraw the consultative status of three organizations that failed to submit a detailed report on their activities for the period 1986-1989.

The attention of the Council is drawn to the recommendations and decisions of the Committee in connection with the review of future activities, in particular, paragraphs 44-49 of the report.

61. The Committee deplored the late issuance of documentation and stressed that the documentation should be circulated in all the working languages six weeks before the opening of each session, in accordance with Council resolution 1979/69.
C. Election of officers

58. At its 516th meeting, on 21 January 1991, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

   Chairman:  Annie Marie Sundbom (Sweden)

   Vice-Chairman:  Ernestina E. Kodikara (Philippines)

   Rapporteur:  Peter Kolarov (Bulgaria)

D. Agenda

59. At its 516th meeting, on 21 January 1991, the Committee adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/C.2/1991/1. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:

   (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the 1989 session of the Committee;

   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification.

4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, categories I and II.

5. Review of future activities.

6. Provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1993.

7. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

E. Documentation

60. The list of documents before the Committee is given in the annex to the present report.
VII. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

53. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at United Nations Headquarters, from 21 January to 1 February 1991. The Committee held 17 meetings (516th to 532nd meetings). The session was opened by Ms. Annie Marie Sundbom (Sweden), Chairman of the Committee in 1989.

B. Attendance

54. Representatives of all the States members of the Committee attended the session: Bulgaria, Burundi, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Ethiopia, France, Greece, Iraq, Ireland, Lesotho, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Nicaragua, Oman, the Philippines, the Sudan, Sweden, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

55. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers: Afghanistan, Algeria, Barbados, Bolivia, Egypt, Germany, Guatemala, Guyana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, the Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Peru, Qatar, Romania, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Yugoslavia.

56. The following specialized agencies were represented: International Labour Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization.

57. The following non-governmental organizations attended the session:


Category II. International Association of Women in Radio and Television, International Federation of Associations of the Elderly (FIAPA), International Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Centers (IFS), International Movement ATD Fourth World, Pan-Pacific and South-East Asia Women's Association, World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations.