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Summary

At its 2010 resumed session, held from 26 May to 4 June 2010 and on 18 June 2010, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 253 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from previous sessions. Of those applications, the Committee recommended 55 for consultative status, suspended its consideration of one organization, deferred 182 for further consideration at its regular session in 2011 and closed its consideration of 15 applications. The Committee took note of the termination of activities of seven non-governmental organizations and the name change of 12 non-governmental organizations. It also had before it three requests for reclassification of consultative status: it recommended reclassification for one; closed without prejudice the request for reclassification of another and deferred its consideration of the request for reclassification by one organization. In addition, it had before it 246 quadrennial reports from 241 organizations, of which it took note of the reports of 222 organizations. The Committee heard the representatives of 14 of the non-governmental organizations that attended the session.

The present report contains eight draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council;

By draft decision I, the Council would:
(a) Grant consultative status to 55 non-governmental organizations;
(b) Reclassify the consultative status of one non-governmental organization;

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(c) Close without prejudice the request for reclassification of status of one non-governmental organization;

(d) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of 12 non-governmental organizations;

(e) Note that the Committee decided to close its consideration of the applications of four non-governmental organizations;

(f) Note that the Committee decided to close without prejudice its consideration of the applications of 11 non-governmental organizations;

(g) Note the decision of the Committee to suspend its consideration of the application of one non-governmental organization;

(h) Decide to withdraw the consultative status of seven non-governmental organizations that have ceased to exist;

(i) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 222 non-governmental organizations;

By draft decision II, the Council would suspend for a period of one year the consultative status of 77 organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision III, the Council would decide to reinstate the consultative status of 16 organizations that have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision IV, the Council would decide to withdraw the consultative status of 78 organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision V, the Council would decide to suspend the consultative status of the Centre Europe-tiers monde for a period of two years and to request the non-governmental organization to submit a letter to the Committee before the expiration of the suspension period, confirming that it will conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, as stipulated in paragraph 55 of Council resolution 1996/31.

By draft decision VI, the Council would agree to withdraw item 7, “Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217, from the agenda of the Committee.

By draft decision VII, the Council would approve the provisional agenda for the 2011 session of the Committee.

By draft decision VIII, the Council would take note of the present report.

By taking note of the present report, the Council takes note of the statement by the Chair of the Committee on the reinstatement of status of the non-governmental organization Arab Commission for Human Rights.
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A. Draft decisions for adoption by the Council

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant consultative status to the following 55 non-governmental organizations:

Special consultative status

Academy of Labour and Social Relations
Africa Safe Water Foundation
Al Mezan Center for Human Rights
American Cancer Society
Association apprentissage sans frontières
Association des jeunes pour le développement humain et la protection de l’environnement
Association internationale des droits de l’enfant en difficulté et dans la souffrance
Association pour la lutte contre le travail des enfants au Niger
Ayuda y Solidaridad con las Niñas de la Calle
Biogas Sector Partnership Nepal
Bridges International
Capital Humano y Social Alternativo
Caribbean and Latin America Trade Association
Centre d’accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement
Centre for Development Strategy
Chinese Young Volunteers Association
Coordinadora de la Mujer
Eastern Sudan Women Development Organization
Environmental Rights Action/Friends of the Earth Nigeria
Forum of Culture and Arts of Uzbekistan
Fundación Democrática Ítalo-Americana
Global Afrikan Congress
Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments
Human Rights Commission of Pakistan
Humanitarian Law Center
Imam Ali’s Popular Students Relief Society
Integrated Development in Focus
International La Strada Association
International Rainwater Harvesting Alliance
Isigodlo Trust — South African Women in Dialogue
Israeli Committee against House Demolitions
Khiam Rehabilitation Centre for Victims of Torture
Kimse Yok Mu
Ma’arif Foundation for Peace and Development
Miracle Corners of the World
Muslim Aid Australia
National Organization of Women’s Associations in the Bahamas
Pew Environment Group
Playdoo (Côte d’Ivoire)
Rissho Kosei-kai
St. Petersburg Institute of Bioregulation and Gerontology of the North-Western Branch of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences
Secure World Foundation
Shirley Ann Sullivan Educational Foundation
Third World Network-Africa
Ukrainian Non-Governmental Socio-Political Association-National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities
Wildlife Conservation Society
World Granny
Youth Crime Watch of Nigeria
Youth for the Child’s Welfare

Roster
Abaawa Hagar Saah Memorial Foundation
Assemblée des premières nations du Québec et du Labrador
Celtic League
Conseil en éducation des premières nations
Help Old People
Hope Medical Enterprises

(b) To reclassify the following non-governmental organizations from special to general consultative status:

Chinese People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries

(c) To close without prejudice the application for reclassification of status of the following organization:

International Real Estate Federation

(d) To note that the Committee decided to take note of the name change of the following non-governmental organizations:

Asian South Pacific Bureau of Adult Education to Asia South Pacific Association for Basic and Adult Education
Association of Refugees and Displaced Persons of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (special, 1997) to Union for Sustainable Return and Integrations in Bosnia and Herzegovina
Association tunisienne de la communication (special, 2000) to Association tunisienne de la communication et des sciences spatiales
Central and Eastern European Harm Reduction Network (special, 2005) to Eurasian Harm Reduction Network
Cercle des dames mourides (special, 2005) to Centre des dames mourides
Christian Blind Mission International (Roster, 2002) to Christian Blind Mission
Cooperazione e Sviluppo (special, 2004) to Cesvi Fondazione
Council on Economic Priorities (special, 1997) to Social Accountability International
International Association of Initiatives of Change (special, 2005) to Initiatives of Change International
International Peace Academy (Roster, 1974) to International Peace Institute
Navjyoti: Delhi Police Foundation for Correction, De-addiction and Rehabilitation (special, 1997) to Navjyoti India Foundation
Survivors Corps (special, 2005) to Survivor Corps

(e) To note that the Committee decided to close consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following four non-governmental organizations, noting that their activities and programmes did not meet the criteria set out in Council resolution 1996/31:

Ethiopia Africa Black International Congress Church of Salvation
International Gas Union
Oromo Menschenrechts-und Hilfsorganisation
Proyecto Paz y Amor
(f) To note that the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 11 non-governmental organizations, after the organizations had failed, after three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed to the organizations by members of the Committee:

- Academy of Fine Arts and Literature
- Asian Farmers’ Association for Sustainable Rural Development
- Christian Solidarity International
- European Foundation for Democracy
- Family Reorientation Education and Empowerment
- NAFSA: Association of International Educators
- National Committee for Furtherance of Jewish Education
- Organisation africaine des experts
- Orphans International Worldwide
- Peace Action Training and Research Institute of Romania
- Sœurs unies à l’œuvre

(g) To note the decision of the Committee to suspend its consideration of the application of the non-governmental organization Ethiopian Human Rights Council.

(h) To withdraw the consultative status of the following seven non-governmental organizations that have terminated their activities or have ceased to exist:

- Children Australia (special, 1998)
- Feminists for Life of America (special, 2005)
- Girls Incorporated (special, 2001)
- Global Education Associates (special, 1989)
- National Environmental Trust (special, 2006)
- World Information Clearing Centre (special, 2000)

(i) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 222 non-governmental organizations for the period 2005-2008 and earlier reporting periods:

- Academy for Mobilizing Rural-Urban Action through Education
- Action internationale pour la paix et le développement dans la région des Grands Lacs
- Adelphi Research
- African Business Roundtable
- African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies
- African Commission of Health and Human Rights Promoters
African Community Resource Center
African Women’s Association
Africare
Afro-Asian Peoples’ Solidarity Organization
Agrenska Foundation
Aleut International Association
American Society of International Law
Anglican Consultative Council
Arab Mexican Chamber of Industry and Commerce
Asian Partnership for the Development of Human Resources in Rural Asia
Asociación Nacional Cívica Femenina
Asociación Regional de Empresas de Petróleo y Gas Natural en Latinoamérica y el Caribe
Association jeunesse culture loisirs technique
Association of African Women for Research and Development
Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation
Association of Refugees and Displaced Persons of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Association points-coeur
Association pour la protection de la nature et de l’environnement de Kairouan
Association pour la recherche sur la sclérose latérale amyotrophique et autres maladies du motoneurone
Association santé et environnement
Association tunisienne des mères
Australian Catholic Social Justice Council
Australian Reproductive Health Alliance
Be Active, Be Emancipated
Benevolent Community Education and Rural Development Society
Canadian Council of Churches
Center for Inquiry
Center for Organisation Research and Education
Center for Practice-Oriented Feminist Science
Center for Studies on Turkey
Central and Eastern European Harm Reduction Network
Centre for the Study of Administration of Relief
Centre africain de recherche industrielle
Centre for Adivasee Studies and Peace
Centro de Investigación Social, Formación y Estudios de la Mujer
Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe
Centro Nazionale di Prevenzione e Difesa Sociale
Charity Foundation for Special Diseases
Children of a Better Time
China Environmental Protection Foundation
Christian Children’s Fund
Comité d’action pour les droits de l’enfant et de la femme
Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative
Concerned Women for America
Confederation of Business Women of Russia
Consumers International
Coordination SUD
Council of International Programs
Council on Economic Priorities
Covenant House
Crime Stoppers International
December Twelfth Movement International Secretariat
Ecologic Institute for International and European Environmental Policy
Egyptian Red Crescent Society
Emmaus International Association
English International Association of Lund (Sweden)
Environmental Defense Fund
Environmental Protection and Conservation Organisation
Equality Now
European Bureau for Lesser Used Languages
European Institute
European Law Students Association
Family Welfare in Brazil Civil Society
Federation of Cuban Women
Federation of Islamic Medical Associations
Feminist Majority Foundation
Fondation canadienne des droits de la personne
Fondation El Kef pour le développement régional
Fondation Maman Henriette Conte
Fondazione San Patrignano
Foundation for the American Indian
Fundación de la Solidaridad y el Voluntariado de la Comunidad Valenciana
General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists
Generations United
Girls’ Power Initiative
Global Cooperation Society
Global Environmental Action
Gram Bharati Samiti
Grameena Vikas Samithi
Hadassah: Women’s Zionist Organization of America
Hong Kong Women Professionals and Entrepreneurs Association
Huairou Commission
Humanist Committee on Human Rights
Imperial Orthodox Palestine Society
Indian Federation of United Nations Associations
Indian Movement “Tupaj Amaru”
Institute for International Economic Cooperation and Development
Institute for War and Peace Reporting
Institute of Internal Auditors
Integrated Care Society
Inter-American Housing Union
Inter-American Press Association
International Air Transport Association
International Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility
International Association of Initiatives of Change
International Association of University of Presidents
International Association of Women in Radio and Television
International Black Sea Club
International Bridges to Justice
International Center for Clubhouse Development
International Centre for Ethnic Studies
International Commission of Jurists
International Confederation of Christian Family Movements
International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment
International Council of Management Consulting Institutes
International Council on Management of Population Programmes
International Critical Incident Stress Foundation
International Federation of Catholic Medical Associations
International Federation of Women in Legal Careers
International Islamic Federation of Student Organizations
International Mediterranean Women’s Forum
International Movement for Fraternal Union among Races and Peoples
International Planned Parenthood Federation
International Research Centre for Environmental Structures “Pio Manzú”
International Save the Children Alliance
International Social Science Council
International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies
International Telecommunication Academy
International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences
International Union of Architects
International Union of Building Centres
International Union of Technical Associations and Organisations
International Women’s Rights Action Watch
International Youth and Student Movement for the United Nations
Iranian Elite Research Center
Islamic Relief
Italian Centre of Solidarity
Kerala Rural Development Agency
Korea Women’s Associations United
Korean Council for Local Agenda 21
Korean Foundation for World Aid
Kuwait Information Technology Society
National Council of Swedish Youth Organisations
League of Kenya Women Voters
Learning for a Sustainable Future
Lebanese Association for Popular Action
Libera: Associazioni, Nomi e Numeri Contro le Mafie
Light and Hope Association for Blind Girls
Maharashtra Foundation
Mani Tese ‘76
Marie Stopes International
Mauritius Council of Social Service
Mediterranean Council for Burns and Fire Disasters
Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development
Mediterranean Water Institute
Mexican Foundation for Family Planning
Migrants Rights International
Mouvement pour l’abolition de la prostitution et de la pornographie et de toutes formes de violences sexuelles et discriminations sexistes
Narcotics Anonymous World Services
National Aboriginal Forestry Association
National Association for Protection of the Environment and Green Egypt
National Association of Cuban Economists
National Association of Realtors
National Board of Catholic Women of England and Wales
National Council for Research on Women
National Council of Women of Canada
National Fishworkers’ Forum
National Society for Human Rights
National Tropical Botanical Garden
National Union of Jurists of Cuba
Navjyoti: Delhi Police Foundation for Correction, De-Addiction and Rehabilitation
Network of Women’s Non-Governmental Organizations in the Islamic Republic of Iran
New Humanity
Nonviolence International
Norwegian People's Aid
Open Society Institute
Orbicom: réseau des Chaires UNESCO en communication
Organisation de défense de l’environnement au Burundi
Organisation tunisienne de l’éducation et de la famille
Oxfam America
Oxfam Great Britain
Partnership Africa Canada
Pax Romana
Project Concern International
Project Kesher
Public Services International
Qatar Charitable Society
Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights
Rural Reconstruction Nepal
Sisterhood Is Global Institute
Society for International Development
Summer Institute of Linguistics
Swedish NGO Foundation for Human Rights
Swiss Peace Foundation
Therapy Center for Dependent Individuals
Trauma Foundation
Triglav Circle
Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection
Union Iberoamericana de Colegios y Agrupaciones de Abogados
Union of Ibero American Capitals
Union of Lusco-African-America-Asiatic Capital Cities
Unitarian Universalist Association
Unitarian Universalist Service Committee
United Nations Association of Mauritius
Virtue Foundation
WaterAid
WebForce International
Women Environmental Programme
Women in Dialog
Women in Law and Development in Africa
Women’s Health in Women’s Hands
Women’s International Democratic Federation
Women’s Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Church
Women’s National Commission
World Assembly of Small and Medium Enterprises
World Confederation of Productivity Science
World Council of Credit Unions
World Evangelical Alliance
World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centres and Associations
World LP Gas Association
World Resources Institute
World Trade Centers Association
Yemeni Women Union
Youth Association for Habitat and Agenda 21
Zenab for Women in Development
Zonta International

**Draft decision II**

**Suspension of consultative status of non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4**

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2010 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation and had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2010, and that it had notified the permanent missions of the Member States in which the headquarters of such organizations are based of the final reminders, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

**Non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports, listed pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4**

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, to suspend immediately, for a period of one year, the consultative status of the 77 non-governmental organizations listed in the annex hitherto, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of their suspension.
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Non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports, listed pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

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Adolescent Health and Information Projects
African Women Empowerment Guild
Anti-Racism Information Service
Arab Women Solidarity Association
Association for Counseling, Organization, Research and Development
Association mauritanienne pour le développement et la protection de l’environnement
Association nationale pour l’appui à l’initiative feminine à la protection infantile et environnementale
Association of Women Entrepreneurs of Karnataka
Association pour le bien-être des habitants de Beau Vallon
Association tunisienne du planning familial
Association tunisienne pour l’auto-développement et la solidarité
Bangladesh Mahila Parishad
Canadian Voice of Women for Peace
Center for Cognitive Liberty and Ethics
Centre for Development Studies and Action
Comité algerien des droits de l’homme et des peuples
Commonwealth Medical Association
Congress of Black Women of Canada
Cooperation Ireland
Côte d’Ivoire ecologie
Development Through Savings and Credit
DIYA All-Ukrainian Women’s People’s Democratic Association
Ecological Youth of Angola
Environment Liaison Centre International
Environmental Protection Society
European Federation of National Organisations Working with the Homeless
Federation of Arab Journalists
Femme — Jeunesse — Environnement — Santé
Fondation européenne pour le développement durable des régions
Fondation pour la promotion de la santé et le développement de la recherche
Foresight Institute
Forum for Human Dignity
Foundation for the Promotion and Protection of the Environment and Cultural Heritage
Friends of Disabled Association
Frontier Reconstruction Welfare Agency
General Arab Women Federation
Global Resource Action Center for the Environment
Global Rights
Indian Council for Child Welfare
Innu Council of Nitassinan
Institute for Security Studies
Institution nationale de solidarité avec les femmes en détresse
International Association Against Drug Abuse and Drug Trafficking
International Holistic Tourism Education Centre
International Institute for Vital Registration and Statistics
International Islamic Charitable Organization
International Organisation for the Provision of Work for Persons with Disabilities and Who are Occupationallly Handicapped
International Organization of Indigenous Resource Development
International Romani Union
International Sports Organization for the Disabled
Internews International
Irish Penal Reform Trust
Islamic World Studies Centre
LakeNet
Mother and Child African Relief Organization
National Aboriginal and Islanders Legal Services Secretariat
National Action Committee on the Status of Women (Canada)
National Anti-Poverty Organization
National Association of Women Organisations in Uganda
National Community Reinvestment Coalition
National Council on Family Relations
National Women’s Justice Coalition
Organisation du renouveau de la prise de conscience féminine
Organizatia Pentru Apararea Drepturilor Omului
Organization of World Heritage Cities
Programme Support Unit Foundation
Reason Partnership
Rivers Club
Terre Vivante
Union of Arab Jurists
Women’s Society
World Association of Former United Nations Interns and Fellows
World Council of Indigenous Peoples
World Psychiatric Association
World Union of Professions
World Water Council

Draft decision III
Reinstatement of consultative status of non-governmental organizations that submitted outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2009/228 of 27 July 2009, to reinstate the consultative status of the non-governmental organizations listed in the annex hitherto, which have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports.

Annex

Non-governmental organizations that have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports, listed pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

Asociación Regional de Empresas de Petróleo y Gas Natural en Latinoamérica y el Caribe
Association of African Women for Research and Development
Assemblée parlementaire de la francophonie
Center for the Study of Administration of Relief
Commission africain des promoteurs de la santé et les droits de l’homme
Centro de Investigación Social, Formación y Estudios de la Mujer
Council on Economic Priorities
English International Association of Lund
Foundation for the Support of the United Nations
Draft decision IV
Withdrawal of consultative status of non-governmental organizations, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2010 that the Secretariat had reminded the non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation, whose status had been suspended by the Council pursuant to decision 2009/228 of 27 July 2009, and had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2010, and that it had notified the permanent missions of the Member States in which the headquarters of such organizations are based of the final reminders, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

Non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports, listed pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2009/228 of 27 July 2009, to withdraw immediately the consultative status of the non-governmental organizations listed in the annex hitherto, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of this decision.

Annex
Non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports, listed pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

Africa Club for Integrated Development
African Women Jurists Federation
Anti-Apartheid Movement
Arab Towns Organization
Arab Women’s Forum
ASEAN Confederation of Women’s Organizations
Asian Alliance of Appropriate Technology Practitioners
Association des habitants d’El Mourouj
Association fès-saiss
Association of Non-Governmental Organizations
Association of Women Entrepreneurs of Small-Scale Industries
Association pour le progrès et la défense des droits des femmes maliennes
Banana Kelly Community Improvement Association
BUSCO: Business Association for the World Social Summit
Centre of Arab Women for Training and Research
Children Australia
Christian Peace Conference
Collectif 95 Maghreb égalité
Comité directeur international sur la promotion économique des femmes rurales
Communication and Development Institute
Communities Forestry and Social Development Organization
Conseil national de la jeunesse et de l’avenir du Maroc
Council of European and Japanese National Shipowners Association
Energy 21
Equilibre
Europe Migrants Associations Council
European Federation of Conference Towns
European Insurance Committee
Food and Disarmament International
Forum for African Women Educationalists
Fundación EcoMediterrania
Geneva International Peace Research Institute
Group for International Solidarity
Inter-African Network for Human Rights and Development
International Association for Feminist Economics
International Association of Civil Servants
International Association of Intercultural Studies
International Commission of Health Professionals for Health and Human Rights
International Council of Human Duties
International Council on Monuments and Sites
International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa
International Geothermal Association
International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights
International Institute for Prevention of Drug Abuse
International Miners Organization
International Organization of Journalists
International Society for Criminology
International Society for Research on Aggression
International Society of Postmasters
International Union of Housing Finance Institutions
International Union of Young Christian Democrats
International Youth Foundation
Latin American Association of Industrial Design
Marine Environmental Research Institute
Mega-Cities Project
National Women’s Union of Romania
Pan-African Institute for Development
Private Agencies Collaborating Together
Professional Association of Independent Institutions Concerned with Addiction
Program for Research and Documentation for Sustainable Development
Programme Support Unit Foundation
Publication and Coordination Centre of Islamic Ideology and Sufi-ism
Refugee Policy Group
Réseau femmes africaines et droits humains
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program International
Rural Enterprising as a Community Help
Soroptimist International of Greece
Sto. Niño Organic Farmers
Teenage Mother Civil Association
Treaty Four
Universal Federation of Travel Agents Associations
Wellstart International
Women Action Research and Training Group
Women and Child Development Association
Women’s Political Network of Pennsylvania
Draft decision V
Suspension of consultative status of the Centre Europe-tiers monde

The Economic and Social Council decides to suspend the consultative status of the Centre Europe-tiers monde for a period of two years and to request the organization to submit a letter to the Committee before the expiration of the suspension period, confirming that it will conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, as stipulated in paragraph 55 of Council resolution 1996/31.

Draft decision VI
Modification of the agenda of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations at its 2011 session

The Economic and Social Council agrees with the recommendation of the Committee to withdraw item 7 of the agenda, Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217, bearing in mind that the invitation to attend the twelfth and thirteenth sessions of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, which had been extended by the Council to non-governmental organizations without consultative status on the understanding that they would apply for status, expires in 2010.

Draft decision VII
Dates of and provisional agenda for the 2011 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council:

(a) Decides that the 2011 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 24 January-2 February 2011 and its 2011 resumed session from 16-24 May 2011;

(b) Approves the provisional agenda for the 2011 session of the Committee as set out below.

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 previous sessions of the Committee;
   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
   (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
   (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
   (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.

5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat.

6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
   (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
   (b) Consideration of issues on the agenda of the informal working group;
   (c) Other related matters.

7. Consideration of special reports.


9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2012 session of the Committee.

10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

**Draft decision VIII**

**Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2010 resumed session**

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2010 resumed session.

**B. Matters brought to the attention of the Economic and Social Council**

**Statement by the Chair of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on the reinstatement of the status of the organization Arab Commission for Human Rights**

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations takes note of the fact that the one-year of suspension of the non-governmental organization Arab Commission for Human Rights will come to an end on 27 July 2010 and acknowledges the submission of the lists required for reinstatement of consultative status to the satisfaction of the Committee.
II. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

2. The Committee considered item 3 (a) and (b) of its agenda, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Council, and new applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 17th through 30th meetings, held from 26 May to 4 June 2010. It had before it the following documents:

   (a) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/2010/R.2 and Add.19-29);

   (b) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 1999 through 2009 (E/C.2/2010/CRP.7);

   (c) Compilation of deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held in 2009 (E/C.2/2010/CRP.8);

   (d) List of non-governmental organizations that did not submit their quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2010/CRP.16);

   (e) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification (E/C.2/2010/CRP.6).

A. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee

3. The Committee considered item 3 (a) of its agenda, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, at its 21st to 25th, 27th, 28th and 30th meetings, held from 28 May to 4 June 2010. The Committee considered a total of 149 deferred applications for consultative status.

Applications recommended

4. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 36 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Special consultative status

   Africa Safe Water Foundation
   Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights
   Association apprentissage sans frontières
   Association internationale des droits de l’enfant en difficulté et dans la souffrance
   Association pour la lutte contre le travail des enfants au Niger
Ayuda y Solidaridad con las Niñas de la Calle
Caribbean and Latin America Trade Association
Chinese Young Volunteers Association
Eastern Sudan Women Development Organization
Environmental Rights Action/Friends of the Earth Nigeria
Forum of Culture and Arts of Uzbekistan
Human Rights Commission of Pakistan
Humanitarian Law Center
Imam Ali’s Popular Students Relief Society
Integrated Development in Focus
International La Strada Association
International Rainwater Harvesting Alliance
Isigodlo Trust — South African Women in Dialogue
Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions
Khiam Rehabilitation Centre for Victims of Torture
Muslim Aid Australia
Pew Environment Group
Rissho Kosei-kai
St. Petersburg Institute of Bioregulation and Gerontology of the North-Western Branch of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences
Secure World Foundation
Shirley Ann Sullivan Educational Foundation
Third World Network-Africa
Ukrainian Non-Governmental Socio-Political Association-National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities
Wildlife Conservation Society
World Granny
Youth Crime Watch of Nigeria
Youth for the Child’s Welfare

*Roster*

Abaawa Hagar Saah Memorial Foundation
Assemblée des premières nations du Québec et du Labrador
Conseil en éducation des premières nations
Hope Medical Enterprises
Applications deferred

5. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 97 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee to them during its 2010 resumed session:

Afromedianet
Agape International Spiritual Center of Truth
All India Christian Council
Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
Anandilal Ganesh Podar Society
Asia Catalyst
Asia Center for Human Rights
Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact
Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum
Association des femmes tunisiennes pour la recherche et le développement
Assyrian Academic Society
Assyrian National Congress
Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement
Australian Lesbian Medical Association
Caribbean Electric Utility Services Corporation
Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir, Córdoba
Centre des droits des gens (Maroc)
Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide
Child Helpline International
Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie
Compassion Africa Aged Foundation
Corrections India
Creating Resources for Empowerment in Action
Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association
Ecocosm Dynamics
Ecumenical Coalition on Tourism Foundation
Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement — Bwaise Facility
Erevna International Peace Center
European Renewable Energy Council
European Window Film Association
Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegria
Forest Products Associations of Canada
Foundation for Human Horizon
Foundation for the Development of Knowledge Suma Veritas
Framework Convention Alliance for Tobacco Control
Freemuse: World Forum on Music and Censorship
Global Family for Love and Peace
Great Tao Foundation of America
High Atlas Foundation
Human Rights House Foundation
IBON Foundation
Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples (North-east zone)
Indira Gandhi National Foundation
Indo-European Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Institute of Noahide Code
International Confederation of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
International Dalit Solidarity Network
International Ecological Safety Cooperative Organization
International Federation of Liberal Youth
International Foundation for Electoral Systems
International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission
International Human Rights Observer
International Institute of Security and Safety Management
International Prison Chaplains’ Association
International Reading Association
International Refugee Rights Initiative
International Solidarity and Human Rights Institute
Isfahan Minority Rights and Development
Jananeethi
Kashmiri American Council
Kosmos Associates
Krityanand UNESCO Club Jamshedpur
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund
Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre

1 For the proceedings of the Committee on the application of this organization included in this list, please see paragraphs 6 to 17 of the present report.
Mundo sin Guerras
Murder Victims’ Families for Human Rights
NATRIPAL
National Association of Home Builders of the United States
National Native Title Council
Neda Institute for Scientific-Political Research
New World Hope Organization
Palpung Munishasan Dharmachakra Sangh
Pan African Civil Society Network
Peacebuilders
People’s Life Centre
Programme on Women’s Economic Social and Cultural Rights
Project Green Nigeria
Redeem Africa Foundation
Restoration World Outreach Ministries
SAHIL
Scholars at Risk Network
Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States
Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology
Students for Sensible Drug Policy
Sudanese Mothers For Peace
Syrian Center for Media and Freedom of Expression
United Kingdom Association for the United Nations Development Fund for Women
Victorious Youths Movement
Vivekananda Sevakendra-O-Sishu Uddyan
WITNESS
Widows for Peace through Democracy
Women Against Violence (Europe)
Women’s Global Network for Reproductive Rights
World Buddhist Supreme Tathagata Followers Peace Foundation
World Igbo Congress
World Toilet Organization
International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission

6. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission.

7. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States called on the Committee to take immediate action to recommend granting the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission consultative status, emphasizing that members of the Committee had had ample time to consider the responses of the organization to the 44 questions posed to it since it had first applied and arguing that the organization had made significant contributions to the field of HIV/AIDS research and had fully met the requirements set out in resolution 1996/31. The representative of Egypt then posed a number of questions to the organization, requesting that it not continue to evade responding to the Committee’s previous questions on the implications of the ideas and principles espoused by the organization on restricting the freedom of speech and the freedom of religion, as well as on the terminology it uses.

8. As the representative of Qatar was posing other questions, the representative of the United States called for a point of order, reiterating that she had requested the Committee to take immediate action to recommend granting the organization consultative status, which came under rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, as explained by the Secretary of the Committee. The representative of Egypt, on behalf of the members of the Committee that are members of the African Group, in turn proposed a no-action motion on the request for a vote by the United States. He added that this sudden push for action on the application constituted a departure from the established norms of the Committee, a matter that left no alternative for the members of the African Group but to call for a no-action motion, as the organization had yet to answer questions posed by different representatives to alleviate their legitimate concerns.

9. In accordance with rule 50 of the rules of procedure of the Council, invoked to implement a no-action motion, the representatives of Qatar and Pakistan spoke in favour of the no-action motion on the call for action by the representative of the United States, and the representatives of the United Kingdom and Romania spoke against the motion.

10. In response to requests for clarification, the Secretary of the Committee stated that if the no-action motion were carried, there would be no vote, as had been proposed by the representative of the United States, and the organization in question would remain on the list of applications under the Committee’s consideration. If the no action motion failed, the Committee would proceed to a vote as proposed by the United States.

11. The no-action motion was carried by a roll-call vote of 10 to 6, with 2 abstentions. Eighteen of the 19 members of the Committee were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

In favour:
Angola, Burundi, China, Cuba, Egypt, Guinea, Pakistan, Qatar, the Russian Federation, the Sudan.
Against:
Colombia, Israel, Peru, Romania, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining:
India, Turkey.

Absent:
Dominica.

12. The voting was followed by an additional question posed to the organization by the representative of Egypt, requesting the organization to provide details on its activities in countries other than the United States. The representatives of the United States and the United Kingdom expressed their regret about the outcome of the vote, maintaining that it was discriminatory and against the principles of the United Nations. The representative of Colombia went on to say that the reason he had voted against the no-action motion was due to the fact that it was in line with his country’s stated position in MERCOSUR and the Organization of American States.

13. The representative of Qatar said that the request to take immediate action was sudden and hasty, and deprived the organization of the opportunity to persuade many members of the Committee that its aims and objectives are in conformity with Article 10 of the Charter of the United Nations and the criteria set out by Council resolution 1996/31. He expressed hope that the organization would make use of the result of the vote to retain its application under consideration to provide answers to the important questions posed.

14. The observer for Spain, speaking on behalf of the States members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union stated that there should not be any discrimination against any organization based on its views on sexual orientation, which was against the principles of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The observer for Chile stated that the criteria for evaluation for consultative status should be based solely on the merits of the application and the contribution the organization can make to the work of the Council. The observer highlighted the principle of non-discrimination established in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the international covenants on human rights. The observer for Australia, speaking on behalf of Canada and New Zealand, expressed regret about the outcome of the vote on the motion, stating that plural voices should be accommodated in Council discussions, even where they differ from those of their own Governments. The observer for Switzerland also expressed regret about the outcome of the vote and regretted that after three years and 44 questions the Committee was not yet in a position to make a decision on the organization’s application.

15. The representative of Romania stated that withholding or obstructing in any way the consultative status of non-governmental organizations with valuable contributions to the Council and to society in general ran contrary to the general principle of anti-discrimination and diversity as enshrined not only in resolution 1996/31 and the decisions of the Council in 2006 and 2007 that recognized the importance of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender non-governmental organizations and their contribution to the work of the United Nations, but also to articles 2 and 26 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and ultimately to the Charter of the United Nations.
16. The representative of Egypt reiterated his delegation's support for avoiding discrimination, as expressed in statements by other delegations, be it positive or negative discrimination. He also pointed out that many applications are pending for longer periods, but no action is taken by any member of the Committee to expedite the decision on them, and called on Committee members to deal with all applicant organizations in a non-selective manner, arguing that the result of the vote would allow the Committee to continue its interaction and dialogue with the organization to alleviate the concerns expressed by different members.

17. The representative of the United States questioned the methods of work and the norms within the Committee, arguing that delegations should not continue to pose questions to organizations without limits and that delegations should not use questioning tactics to delay granting consultative status to non-governmental organizations.

**Friends of the Earth**

18. At its 21st meeting, on 28 May 2010, during the consideration of the application of the non-governmental organization Environmental Rights Action/Friends of the Earth Nigeria, it was brought to the attention of the Committee that the organization was a member of the larger umbrella organization, Friends of the Earth, which has been listed on the Roster since 1972. The Committee consequently decided to request a report from the non-governmental organization Friends of the Earth for its 2011 resumed session, with a view to considering the recommendation of the reclassification of its status as it deems appropriate, in accordance with paragraph 61 (c) of Council resolution 1996/31, and requested the Secretariat to clarify from the organization if it had changed its name.

**Kosmos Associates**

19. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, during its consideration of the application of Kosmos Associates, it was brought to the attention of the Committee that its parent organization, the Center for Psychology and Social Change, which has enjoyed special consultative status since 1998, may have changed its name in 2004 to John Edward Mack Institute. The Committee requested the Secretariat to investigate the issue and verify whether the Center for Psychology and Social Change had ceased to exist, especially since the President of Kosmos Associates, in her responses to previous questions posed by the Committee, had indicated that she still represented the Center for Psychology and Social Change. In particular, the Committee noted that the President of Kosmos Associates had mentioned in her reply dated 3 February 2009 that since the death of the founder of the Center for Psychology and Social Change, the Center for Psychology and Social Change had been somewhat inactive and would probably end its connection with the United Nations, and that in the meantime the President of Kosmos Associates would continue to be its representative until Kosmos Associates gained consultative status.

**Ethiopian Human Rights Council**

20. At its 28th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Committee heard a statement by the observer for Ethiopia wherein he informed the Committee that the non-governmental organization Ethiopian Human Rights Council had not yet rectified its legal status of registration. Accordingly, the Committee decided to
suspend its consideration of the application of the non-governmental organization Ethiopian Human Rights Council, pending clarity on the legal status of its registration in Ethiopia (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (g)).

Applications closed without prejudice

21. At its 30th meeting, on 4 June 2010, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 11 non-governmental organizations that had not responded to the Committee’s questions despite three reminders sent to the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (f)).

Applications closed

22. At its 27th and 30th meetings, on 3 and 4 June 2010, the Committee decided to close consideration of the applications of four non-governmental organizations, noting that their activities and programmes did not meet the criteria set out in Council resolution 1996/31 (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (e)).

B. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification

23. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 17th to 21st, and 26th and 29th meetings, from 26 to 28 May and on 2 and 4 June 2010. The Committee considered a total of 104 new applications for consultative status.

New applications recommended

24. The Committee recommended granting consultative status to the following 19 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)).

Special consultative status

- Academy of Labour and Social Relations
- American Cancer Society
- Association des jeunes pour le développement humain et la protection de l’environnement
- Biogas Sector Partnership Nepal
- Bridges International
- Capital Humano y Social Alternativo
- Centre d’accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement
- Centre for Development Strategy
- Coordinadora de la Mujer
- Fundación Democrática Italo-Americana
- Global Afrikan Congress
- Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments
Kimse Yok Mu
Ma’arif Foundation for Peace and Development
Miracle Corners of the World
National Organization of Women’s Associations in the Bahamas
Playdoo (Côte d’Ivoire)

Roster
Celtic League
Help Old People

New applications deferred
25. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 85 organizations, owing to time limitations and pending receipt of their responses to the questions posed by the Committee to some of the organizations during its 2010 resumed session:

5th Pillar
American Bible Society
American Humanist Association
Amuta for NGO Responsibility
Association de la jeunesse congolaise pour le développement
Association of World Reindeer Herders
Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa
Assyrian Aid Society (Iraq)
Athletes United for Peace
Behnam Daheshpour Charity Organization
Bridging the Gulf
British Humanist Association
Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l’homme au Sahara Occidental
Center for Global Community and World Law
Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation
Centrum Mot Rasism
China Youth Development Foundation
Christian Solidarity Worldwide
Coordinadora Española para el Lobby Europeo de Mujeres
Council for American Students in International Negotiations
Council for International Development
Defense Small Arms Advisory Council
Drug Prevention Network of Canada
Ducuum
Elite Club
Equit Institute
European Humanist Federation
European Union Association in the United States
EveryChild
Foundation for GAIA
Freedom Now
Fundación Atenea Grupo
GGS Institute of Information Communication Technology India
GS1
Give to Colombia
Global AIDS Alliance
Hydroaid
Hope International
IOGT International
International Action Network on Small Arms
International Campaign to Ban Landmines
International Centre for Migration Health and Development
International Council for Human Rights
International Federation of Psoriasis Associations
International Federation of Thanatologists Associations
International Juvenile Justice Observatory
International Lesbian and Gay Association
International Organization for Victim Assistance
International Police Executive Symposium
International Senior Lawyers Project
Ivorian Hope Charity
Kita Chosen Nanmin Kyuen Kikin
Law Council of Australia
Life for Africa
Mediators Beyond Borders
Mémorial de la Shoah
Movement against Atrocities and Repression
NGO Computer Literacy Shelter Welfare, Rawalpindi
New York and New Jersey Asian American Law Enforcement Advisory Committee
Niall Mellon Township Trust
Not for Sale Campaign
Pain pour le prochain
Pro-Life Campaign
Program in International Human Rights Law
Psychology Beyond Borders
REDRESS
Sacro Militare Ordine Costantiniano di San Giorgio
Search for Common Ground
Solicitors International Human Rights Group
Solidarity: NGO of the Orthodox Church of Greece
Soroptimist International of Europe
Soroptimist International of the Americas
South Sudanese Women Christian Mission for Peace
Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council
Swiss National Youth Council
Thin and High
UK Consortium on AIDS and International Development
UNIFEM in Finland
UNIFEM Sweden
Verband Entwicklungspolitik Deutscher Nichtregierungs-Organisationen
Women’s Ordination Conference
Womensport International
Yale International Relations Association
Yoga in Daily Life (United States of America)
Zigen Fund
Requests for reclassification

26. At its 21st meeting, on 28 May 2010, the Committee considered three requests for reclassification of consultative status, contained in document E/C.2/2010/CRP.6. It decided to recommend reclassification of consultative status for one organization, from special to general status (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (b)).

27. At its 25th meeting, on 2 June 2010, the Committee decided to close without prejudice, the application for reclassification of consultative status of one organization (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)).

28. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application for reclassification consultative of status of the following organization:

   International Union against Cancer

III. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

A. Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

29. At its 25th meeting, on 2 June 2010, the Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Council on their activities during the period from 1999 to 2009, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2010/CRP.8). Upon review, the Committee decided to defer consideration of the 19 quadrennial reports from the following 15 organizations:

   Freedom House (2003-2006)
   Heritage Foundation (2003-2006)
   Human Rights Internet (2003-2006)
   Human Rights Watch (2005-2008)
   International Association of Judges (2005-2008)

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2 Centrist Democrat International and Christian Democratic International are one and the same organization, which underwent a name change and submitted reports for different reporting periods. There are therefore a total of 19 deferred quadrennial reports from 15 non-governmental organizations.
Ukrainian World Congress (2003-2006)

B. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

30. At its 25th meeting, on 2 June 2010, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (b) of its agenda, Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council. It had before it a note by the Secretary-General containing 227 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2010/2/Add.30-65 and E/C.2/2010/2/CRP.15). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 222 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (i)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of the following four quadrennial reports, pending receipt of their response to questions posed by the Committee:

   - International Federation of Free Journalists (2005-2008)
   - International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)
   - Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)

C. Suspension of consultative status of organizations that have failed to submit their quadrennial reports for one or more consecutive reporting periods

31. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Committee considered agenda item 6. The Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent several notifications to non-governmental organizations that had not fulfilled the requirement to submit quadrennial reports in 2009, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4. The Secretariat had also sought assistance from the permanent missions to the United Nations of countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters, as well as from the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations.

32. Accordingly, the Committee adopted a draft decision recommending that the Council suspend for a period of one year the consultative status of 77 non-governmental organizations that had failed to submit quadrennial reports according to the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 (see chap. I, draft decision II). The Committee requested the Secretariat to advise the concerned organizations of the suspension of their consultative status and inform the permanent missions to the United Nations of countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.
D. Reinstatement of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations, which had been previously suspended due to non-submission of quadrennial reports

33. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, in accordance with Council resolution 2008/4 and decision 2009/228, the Committee decided to recommend the reinstatement of consultative status of 16 organizations, upon receipt of their pending quadrennial reports prior to the termination of the suspension period (see chap. I, draft decision III).

E. Withdrawal of consultative status of organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports

34. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent several notifications to non-governmental organizations that were already on the list of organizations whose consultative status had been suspended for one year due to outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4, and that it had failed to get any response from 78 of the organizations on the list. The Secretariat had also sought assistance from the permanent missions to the United Nations of countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters, as well as from the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations.

35. Accordingly, the Committee decided to recommend that the Council withdraw the consultative status of 78 non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 and recalling decision 2009/228 (see chap. I, draft decision IV). The Committee also requested the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of the withdrawal of their consultative status and to inform the permanent missions to the United Nations of countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.

IV. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat

36. At its 17th meeting, on 26 May 2010, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, and agenda item 9, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network, and heard oral reports made by the Secretariat.

37. Statements were made by the representatives of China and Egypt and the observer for Chile. They welcomed the noticeable improvements in the work of the Branch and expressed their support for further strengthening of the Branch, including in terms of expanding the activities of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network (UN-NGO-IRENE).
to raise awareness of the benefits of seeking consultative status with the Council, particularly for non-governmental organizations from developing countries.

V. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304

Other related matters

Recommendations for improving the working methods of the Committee

38. At its 27th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Committee heard a report by the Chair on the deliberations of the informal working group of the Committee, held on 5 May 2010, to discuss the methods of work of the Committee. The Committee elaborated 20 issues that had been discussed during informal consultations at the 2010 regular session of the Committee. The recommendations of the working group included the following:

(a) As a time-saving measure for the formal sessions of the Committee, the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch has been requested to prepare two lists (list No. 1 and list No. 2) comprising the quadrennial reports that are submitted to the Committee for its review, prior to the formal sessions, in accordance with Committee decision 1998/101. The Committee is therefore requested to notify the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the quadrennial reports on which delegations have comments, reservations or questions in order to place those reports on list No. 2 until the first day of each formal session, without prejudice to the right of any member of the Committee to pose questions, express reservations or make comments on the report. All other reports will be placed on list No. 1. This measure is intended to speed up the proceedings of the Committee and it does not prejudice in any way the rights of the members of the Committee;

(b) The Secretariat has a principal role to play in ensuring that the formal elements of the applications received are complete, clear and guided by the technical requirements contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, in accordance with Committee decision 1997/103, which should be fully observed;

(c) The Non-Governmental Organizations Branch will clarify in its invitation letters that the participation of the Non-Governmental Organizations representatives at the formal sessions of the Committee is voluntary and will not have any bearing on the process in which the applications for consultative status will be reviewed;

(d) If a non-governmental organization does not respond to questions posed by the Committee after two reminders, and a third (final) reminder explaining the consequences of the failure to respond, sent by the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch throughout the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, the application of the concerned organization will be considered closed.
without prejudice. The deadline to be observed will be the end of the consideration of the relevant item on the agenda of the Committee at the second of the two sessions;

(e) The Non-Governmental Organizations Branch is requested to raise awareness about the resolution and accepted United Nations terminology since many non-governmental organizations, whether applying or already in consultative status, are not aware of the rules governing consultative status as stipulated in Council resolution 1996/31;

(f) The Non-Governmental Organizations Branch is requested to compile relevant Council and Committee resolutions and decisions adopted in the past regarding the methods of work of the Committee, in order to assist the Committee in its future deliberations on the matter;

(g) The Non-Governmental Organizations Branch is requested to provide briefings to new members of the Committee and interested delegations;

(h) In order to have an opportunity to interact with a greater number of non-governmental organizations representatives during the formal session, a maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated to each non-governmental organization representative during the question and answer sessions of the Committee;

(i) In order to increase interaction between the Committee and non-governmental organizations and civil society, the Committee is encouraged to participate in relevant meetings organized by the Secretariat with non-governmental organizations, in particular the annual meetings of UN-NGO-IRENE. To this end, UN-NGO-IRENE is requested to inform the Committee of its future meetings and activities;

(j) Taking into account the responsibility of the Committee to monitor the implementation of Council resolution 1996/31, the Chief of the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be invited to an informal meeting of the Committee in order to exchange views on rules and procedures governing the participation of non-governmental organizations in formal sessions of the Permanent Forum;

(k) It was brought to the attention of the Committee that some non-governmental organizations in consultative status have been helping individuals who are non-members of those organizations to get United Nations grounds passes. This may have serious repercussions, including security implications. Therefore, the Committee should consider possible alternatives to address this issue.

39. At its 29th and 30th meetings, on 4 June 2010, the Committee continued its consideration of item 6 (b), Consideration of issues in the agenda of the informal working group, and approved the recommendations of the working group. It also considered and decided on the following:

(a) The Committee considered a draft resolution proposed by the representative of India on the issue of misuse of grounds passes issued for non-governmental organizations in consultative status and decided that the working group would continue deliberations on the matter;

(b) Based on a proposal presented by the representative of Burundi, supported by the representatives of Egypt and the United Kingdom, the Committee
agreed to request the informal working group of the Committee to consider the establishment of a mechanism for exchange of views between non-governmental organizations in consultative status and the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 61 (d) of Council resolution 1996/31, which provides a mandate for the Committee to consult with non-governmental organizations in general and special status on matters within their competence;

(c) In its consideration of the process of closing without prejudice the applications of non-governmental organizations that do not respond to questions posed by the Committee, despite three reminders sent by the Secretariat throughout the course of two consecutive sessions, the Committee agreed that the two sessions would be counted as of the last date of receipt of a response from the organization under consideration before the beginning of the first of the two sessions. The Committee also agreed to further consider the periodicity of reminders by the informal working group.

40. At the same meeting, the representative of Egypt proposed that the informal working group of the Committee consider alternatives for non-governmental organizations to encourage them to form a joint group or umbrella organization for the purpose of applying for consultative status as part of the outreach campaign to raise awareness about the advantages of seeking consultative status, particularly for small non-governmental organizations that may not be able to fully meet the ensuing obligations. The representative of the United Kingdom said that organizations often collaborate with one another, but each is different, and they would rather represent themselves than have larger organizations speak for them, and that therefore they should be allowed to apply on their own. The representative of the United States rejected any imposition on the non-governmental organizations applying for status, stating that paragraph 9 of Council resolution 1996/31 explicitly states that non-governmental organizations “may” form umbrella organizations voluntarily; any imposition would defeat the purpose of non-governmental organizations and the independence they should have in choosing who should speak for them and represent their interests if the Committee is to interfere in this area. The representative of Egypt, in agreeing with the statement made by the representative of the United States, highlighted that the working group should only consider possible ways to implement paragraph 9 of resolution 1996/31, in order to facilitate the representation of the largest possible number of organizations in consultative status with the Council.

41. The Committee also discussed a proposal by the representative of India on alternatives to dealing with non-governmental organizations that fail to respond to queries posed by the Committee on their quadrennial reports. The proposal included applying the same methodology prescribed in Council resolution 2008/4 to those organizations; the Committee would thus recommend suspending for a period of one year the consultative status of those that did not respond to the Committee’s questions despite three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, and if their failure to respond continued, the Committee would then recommend the withdrawal of the consultative status of the non-governmental organization(s) concerned. A number of representatives requested more time to consider the proposal, and the Committee agreed to continue further discussion of the matter at a later stage.
Statements by non-governmental organizations at the substantive session of 2010 of the Council

42. At its 17th meeting, on 26 May 2010, the Committee took note of the requests submitted by 44 non-governmental organizations in consultative status to be heard by the Council at the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2010 (see E/C.2/2010/CRP.10). 3

Africa Humanitarian Action (special, 2008)
African Citizens Development Foundation (special, 2009)
All India Shah Behram Baug Society for Scientific and Educational Research (special, 2004)
Alulbayt Foundation (special, 2004)
Association pour l’action sociale et le développement (special, 2009)
Centre for Social Research (special, 1996)
Cercle de recherche sur les droits et les devoirs de la personne humaine (special, 2008)
Collectif sénégalais des Africaines pour la promotion de l’éducation relative à l’environnement (special, 1998)
Equality Now (special, 1997)
Family Care International (special, 1997)
Federation of Environmental and Ecological Diversity for Agricultural Revampment and Human Rights (special, 2008)
Forum of Women’s NGOs of Kyrgyzstan (special, 2005)
Foundation for the Social Promotion of Culture (general, 2004)
HelpAge International (general, 1995)
Hope for the Nations (special, 2002)
Institute of International Social Development (special, 2000)
International Alliance of Women (general, 1947)
International Association “Znanie” (general, 2000)
International Committee for Arab-Israeli Reconciliation (special, 2006)
International Federation of Family Associations of Missing Persons from Armed Conflicts (special, 2006)
International Planned Parenthood Federation (general, 1973)
International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (special, 2000)
IUS PRIMI VIRI International Association (special, 2004)

3 The current consultative status and year in which the organization was granted that status appear in parentheses after the organization’s name.
VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

Centre Europe-tiers monde

43. At its 17th meeting, on 26 May 2010, the representative of Turkey requested that the Committee consider the withdrawal of consultative status of the organization Centre Europe-tiers monde, following a formal complaint brought by Turkey in a letter dated 14 May 2010 addressed to the Committee (see the annex to the present report). The representative of Turkey underlined the following points: (a) the organization, Centre Europe-tiers monde had been failing to adhere to the basic principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the basic requirements set out in Council resolution 1996/31 by disrespecting the territorial integrity and political unity of Turkey; (b) the organization had been undertaking unsubstantiated and politically motivated allegations against Turkey; (c) the organization had been inciting and condoning acts of terrorism against States Members of the United Nations, which is prohibited under international law; (d) the organization had become a propaganda vehicle of the terrorist organization PKK/Kongra-Gel; and (e) the
organization had not taken into consideration earlier statements of Turkey regarding the need to uphold its obligations and responsibilities under the Charter and Council resolution 1996/31.

44. The representatives of Romania, the United Kingdom and the United States expressed concern that the complaint was not sufficient to merit withdrawal of consultative status and that the Committee should properly examine the case. The representative of Peru said that his delegation found important elements in the complaint that deserved a sanction against the organization and underlined the importance of reaching a consensus decision. The representatives of China, India, Egypt, Pakistan, Qatar and the Sudan urged the adoption of strict measures so that organizations are fully aware of the privileges of consultative status, and that consultative status comes with obligations and responsibilities for which organizations should be held accountable.

45. At its 28th meeting, on 3 June 2010, the Committee took up the matter again. The representative of the United States emphasized that his delegation took non-governmental organization complaints very seriously and that it was important to ensure due process and to weigh the response of the non-governmental organization before making a final determination on what action the Committee should take. Following brief consultations, the Committee decided to recommend suspension of the consultative status of the organization for a period of two years and to request the organization to submit a letter to the Committee before the expiration of the suspension period, stating that it will conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, as stipulated in paragraph 55 of Council resolution 1996/31 (see chap. I, draft decision V).

46. The observer for Switzerland said that he regretted this harsh decision. In his view and on the basis of the information at the disposal of the Committee, it had not been clearly established that Centre Europe-tiers monde had advocated or condoned violence and thus made a non-peaceful use of its right to freedom of expression. Several members of the Committee stressed that the issue of freedom of expression was irrelevant in this case, as the Committee was not in place to pass judgements on respect of freedom of expression, or violations thereof, emphasizing that the Committee had considered the complaint and had reached consensus on the decision after due consideration of the responses of the organization and based on the assessment of the organization’s compliance with the principles stipulated in Council resolution 1996/31. The Chair asserted that the mandate of the Committee was only to implement Council resolution 1996/31.

**Reinstatement of the status of the organization Arab Commission for Human Rights**

47. At its 26th meeting, on 2 June 2010, the Committee considered the reinstatement of the consultative status of Arab Commission for Human Rights, which had had its consultative status suspended for one year (see Council decision 2009/223). The Chair of the Committee read out the following statement:

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations takes note of the fact that the one-year of suspension of the organization Arab Commission for Human Rights will come to an end on 27 July 2010 and acknowledges the submission
of the lists required for reinstatement of consultative status to the satisfaction of the Committee.

VII. **Implementation of Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217**

48. At its 17th meeting, on 26 May 2010, the Committee considered Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217, in which the Council had invited the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to consider the applications of non-governmental organizations and civil society entities not in consultative status with the Council, but which had received accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society. The Committee heard a statement by the Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch.

VIII. **Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2011 session of the Committee**

49. At its 30th meeting, on 4 June 2010, the Committee considered item 10 of its agenda, Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2011 session of the Committee, and had before it the draft provisional agenda for its 2011 session (E/C.2/2010/1).

50. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council the following dates for the sessions in 2011: 24 January-2 February 2011 for its 2011 regular session and 16-24 May 2011 for its 2011 resumed session (see chap. I, draft decision VII, subpara. (a)).

51. Also at the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council to delete the item entitled “Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/46 and decision 2008/217” from its agenda (see chap. I, draft decision VI).

52. Also at its 30th meeting, the Committee adopted the provisional agenda for its 2011 session, as amended, for submission to the Council (see chap. I, draft decision VII, subpara. (b)).

IX. **Organization of the session**

A. **Opening and duration of the session**

53. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2010 resumed session from 26 May to 4 June 2010 and on 18 June 2010. The Committee held 15 meetings (17th to 31st).

B. **Attendance**

54. The session was attended by 18 of the 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for
non-member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be issued in document E/C.2/2010/INF/2.

55. At its 2010 regular session, the Committee heard the representatives of 14 non-governmental organizations, who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

56. At its 21st meeting, on 28 May, the Committee elected Edgard Pérez (Peru) as Vice-Chair of the Committee, to replace Crispin S. Gregoire (Dominica) who had resigned as Vice-Chair. At its 25th meeting, on 2 June 2010, the Committee designated Wael M. Attiya (Egypt) to serve as Rapporteur of the Committee.

D. Agenda

57. At its 17th meeting, on 26 May 2010, the Committee had before it the provisional agenda for its 2010 session, as adopted at the first meeting of its regular session (E/C.2/2010/1).

58. At the same meeting, the Committee approved its organization of work.

Report of the main part of the 2010 session of the Committee

59. At its 30th meeting, on 4 June 2010, the Committee adopted corrections and additions to the report of its 2010 main session (subsequently reissued for technical reasons on 18 June 2010 (E/2010/32 (Part I)).

E. Documentation

60. The list of documents before the Committee at its 2010 resumed session will be issued in document E/C.2/2010/INF/3.

X. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2010 resumed session

61. At its 31st meeting, on 18 June 2010, the Committee adopted the draft report as contained in document E/C.2/2010/L.4 and an informal paper and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize the report with the support of the Secretariat and in consultation with the members of the Committee, as appropriate, with a view to its submission to the Economic and Social Council for appropriate action.
Annex

Letter dated 14 May 2010 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat

Turkey appreciates the role and contributions of non-governmental organizations in the field of human rights. We regard non-governmental organizations as essential elements for furthering the cause of human rights both at the national and international levels. With this understanding we welcome the efforts of many non-governmental organizations to make positive and constructive contributions within the United Nations system.

It is with the same understanding and expectations that some principles have been laid down in conjunction with the work of the non-governmental organizations in the United Nations system. According to the Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31:

– The aims and purposes of the organization shall be in conformity with the spirit, purposes and the principles of the Charter of the United Nations (para. 2).

– Organizations to be accorded special consultative status because of their interest in the field of human rights should pursue the goals of promotion and protection of human rights in accordance with the spirit of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (para. 25).

– Organizations granted consultative status by the Council shall conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of their consultative relations with the Council (para. 55).

– The consultative status of non-governmental organizations with the Economic and Social Council and the listing of those on the Roster shall be suspended up to three years or withdrawn if an organization, either directly or through its affiliates or representatives acting on its behalf, clearly abuses its status by engaging in a pattern of acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations including unsubstantiated or politically motivated acts against Member States of the United Nations (para. 57 (a)).

It is against this backdrop that I would like to bring to the attention of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations that Centre Europe-tiers monde, a non-governmental organization in general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, has been failing to conform to these principles and abusing its consultative status by undertaking a pattern of politically motivated acts and amplifying unsubstantiated allegations against Turkey.

I wish to underline that the purpose of the present letter is not to respond to the baseless allegations of Centre Europe-tiers monde. I will only refer to some examples, which are sufficient to illustrate the hidden agenda and political motives of this non-governmental organization against Turkey:
– In 1998, in its statement (E.CN.4/Sub.2/1998/NGO/19) delivered at the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, Centre Europe-tiers monde referred to part of Turkey as “Turkish Kurdistan”.

– In 2002, in the statement delivered at the Subcommission on Human Rights (E/CN.4/Sub.2/2002/NGO/13), Centre Europe-tiers monde urged the EU Council to rethink its decision on including the PKK on the list of terrorist organizations. In the statement, terrorist attacks of PKK/Kongra-Gel are described as “an armed struggle” and members of this terrorist organization as “Kurdish activists, guerrillas and sympathizers of the Kurdish cause”.

– In 2010, in the joint statement delivered at the thirteenth session of the Human Rights Council, Centre Europe-tiers monde referred to Remzi Kartal and Eyup “Faruk” Doru, two high-ranking members of terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel, as “human rights defenders”. These Turkish nationals are sought by INTERPOL through red bulletins on charges of terrorism.

– In 2010, the written statement submitted by Centre Europe-tiers monde for review of Turkey by the Human Rights Council, under the universal periodic review mechanism, is replete with unfounded allegations and politically motivated falsifications against Turkey and is not acceptable in its entirety. Centre Europe-tiers monde refers to terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel as “Kurdish militia” and “Kurdish guerrillas”, its members as “fighters of the PKK” and its terrorist activities as “Kurdish rebellion” and “armed struggle of the Workers Party of Kurdistan”.

– In the written statement submitted by Centre Europe-tiers monde for review of Turkey by the Human Rights Council, which is available on the website of Centre Europe-tiers monde, terminology such as “Turkish Kurdistan” is repeatedly used. Furthermore, one Turkish city is referred to as the “capital of Turkish Kurdistan”.

First, there is no administrative or geographical region called “Turkish Kurdistan”. Describing one part of Turkey as “Turkish Kurdistan” and mentioning one Turkish city as its “capital” at the very least lacks respect to the territorial integrity and political unity of Turkey. Respect for territorial integrity and political unity of United Nations Member States is among the fundamental principles of the Charter of the United Nations and among the basic requirements of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31. Therefore, this situation not only runs contrary to the territorial integrity and political unity of Turkey and consequently of the Charter of the United Nations but also constitutes a clear violation of Council resolution 1996/31.

Second, PKK/Kongra-Gel is a vicious terrorist organization that has claimed the lives of thousands of innocent people. It is on the list of terrorist organizations of the United States of America, the United Kingdom and Australia, among others, as well as the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel, via its network and affiliated organizations in Europe, is also involved in transnational criminal activities, such as drug trafficking, money-laundering, arms smuggling and human trafficking to finance its terrorist activities.
Third, terminology used in the above-mentioned Centre Europe-tiers monde statements is the same terminology used by the terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel. What is more alarming than the terminology used is the mentality behind these statements, which reflects the mentality of terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel.

It is worth underlining that at the United Nations, acts, methods and practices of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations are considered as activities aimed at the destruction of human rights, fundamental freedoms and democracy. Terrorism is condemned in all its forms and manifestations, committed by whomever, wherever and for whatever purposes. Furthermore, incitement to terrorism and condoning terrorist acts are prohibited under international law.

In the light of the above, it is abundantly clear that not only are the statements of Centre Europe-tiers monde full of unsubstantiated and politically motivated allegations against Turkey but moreover that Centre Europe-tiers monde, a non-governmental organization in general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, has become a propaganda vehicle of terror organization PKK/Kongra-Gel at the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations is of the view that paragraph 57 (a) of Council resolution 1996/31, which stipulates the suspension of consultative status for up to three years or its withdrawal, is fully applicable to Centre Europe-tiers monde. Therefore, I kindly request that the present letter be brought to the attention of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, under the relevant agenda item during its resumed session, to be held from 26 May to 4 June 2010.

(Signed) Fazlı Çorman
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