Draft report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular session

(New York, 21-30 January and 8 February 2019)

Summary

At its 2019 regular session, held from 21 to 30 January, and 8 February 2019, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 521 applications for consultative status, including 233 applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 236 for consultative status, deferred 265 for further consideration at its resumed session in 2019 and closed consideration without prejudice of 20 applications that had failed to respond to queries over two consecutive sessions of the Committee. The Committee also had before it six requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting three of those requests and deferred its consideration of the other three requests. The Committee also had before it two requests for merger deferred from previous sessions; it took note of one request of merger and deferred one for further consideration. The Committee considered 8 requests for a change of name, took note of seven of those requests and deferred one. It also had before it 529 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 399. The Committee heard 16 representatives of the 155 non-governmental organizations that registered for the session.

The present report contains three 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 236 non-governmental organizations;

* E/2019/XXX.
(b) Reclassify the consultative status of two non-governmental organizations from special to general;

(c) Reclassify the consultative status of one non-governmental organization from roster to general;

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

(e) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the merger of one non-governmental organization in consultative status with a non-governmental organization not in status with the Council and grant consultative status to the newly formed entity;

(f) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 399 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;

(g) Close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by 20 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee;

By draft decision II, the Council would decide to withdraw the consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee. (CEFC)

By draft decision III, the Council would take note of the present report.
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I. Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

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 236 non-governmental organizations:

Special consultative status

"İqtisadi və Sosial İnkişaf Mərkəzi" ictimai birliyi
"SEG" Civil Society Support Center NGO
ABC4All (A Better Community For All)
Abshar Atefeha Charity Institute
Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative
Afrikanische Frauenorganisation
Agencia Internacional de Cooperación y Desarrollo
AIVL - Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League Incorporated
Alberta Council for Global Cooperation
Alebe Collins Nigeria Foundation
Al-Gusor Al-Raidh Social Development Organization
ALNAHDA PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY for WOMEN
Alternative Perspectives and Global Concerns
American Academy of Arts and Sciences
Amroha Education Foundation
Andean Information Network
Angels in the Field
Anglican Rite Roman Catholic Church
Aotearoa Youth Leadership Institute
Apex Development Foundation
Appui Solidaire Pour Le Renforcement De L'aide Au Développement
Arc Finance, Ltd.
Asia Initiatives Inc
Asociación Colectivo Mujeres Al Derecho Sigla ASOCOLEMAD
Asociación La Ruta del Clima
Associação Nacional de Deficiência Mentais Raras - Raríssimas
Association Assistance Communautaire et Développement
Association canadienne pour le droit et la vérité
Association Consortium pour les Aires et Territoires du Patrimoine Autochtone et Communautaire (APAC)
Association des femmes pour la promotion et le développement endogène
Association du développement communautaire en Mauritanie
Association Duval
Association for Reconciliation and Development through English
Association Jbel Ayachi pour le développement culturel, social, économique et de l'environnement
Association Ma'onah for Human Rights and Immigration
Association pour la Défense des Droits de la Femme Mauritanienne
Association pour la Diffusion des Droits Humains aux Peuples Autochtones (Humanitarian Law Agency)
Avocats sans Frontières Québec
Babatunde Development And Empowerment Initiative
Bangladesh Association for Development of Trade and Finance - BADTF
BCARE USA Inc (BCARE International)
Beijing Changier Education Foundation
Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation
Beit Hagagalim (House of Wheels)
Belgische associatie voor mensenrechten en ontwikkeling
Bien Etre Social Pour Tous
Bir Dünya Çocuk Derneği
Brain Sluice Africa Child's
Cámara de Instituciones de Diagnóstico Médico (CA.DI.ME)
Canadian Canola Growers Association
Center for the Study of Crime
Centre de Recherche et d’Action pour le Développement Durable et l'Epanouissement des Sociétés
Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas (CEDRO)
Chengmei Charity Foundation
China Charities Aid Foundation For Children
Churches In One Accord
Citizen Association H.E.R.A. Health Education and Research Association
Commit-2-Change, Inc.
Community Development Alliance
Compassion Soul Winners Outreach International
ComunidadMujer
Concern for Human Welfare
Confederation of Indian Healthcare Foundation (CIHF)
Continents University
Corporación Colectivo de Abogados Jose Alvear Restrepo
Corporacion Fiscalia Del Medio Ambiente FIMA
CrowdGuard
Dansk Flygtningehjælp
DePaul University
Dignidad y Justicia en el Camino, Asociación Civil
Direct Aid Organization
Drug Reform Coordination Network Inc.
Earth Law Center
Ecocentre for Environmental Protection
EL-Aged Care Ltd/Gte
Əil Təşkilatları İttifaqi
EMPOWER
European Network on Debt and Development
Farhikhtegan’e Mosalman Association
Federal Lezghin National and Cultural Autonomy
Fédération internationale des associations d'inventeurs
Feminenza International Ltd
Fondation du Dr Julien
Fondation européenne d’études progressistes
Fondation Medicines Patent Pool
Fondation Millennia2025 Femmes et Innovation
Fondazione del Monte di Bologna e Ravenna
Fondazione di ricerca scientifica ed umanistica Antonio Meneghetti
Forum Européen des Femmes Musulmanes
Foundation for Building Sustainable Communities
Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children
Fundación Abba Colombia
Fundación Cepaim, Acción Integral con Migrantes
Gap Intercessors Ministry International
Gender and Development Action (Limited by Gte.)
Geneva Agape Foundation
Georgetown University (The)
Gesellschaft Bosnischer Akademiker in Österreich
Girls Not Brides: The Global Partnership to End Child Marriage
Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety
Global Interfaith WASH Alliance India
Global Medic Force (Europe)
Global Music & Wellness Inc
Global Peace Foundation
Green Mobilisation Initiative
Groundswell International, Inc.
Hazar Eğitim Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği
Hellenic Initiative, Inc.
Helpline Foundation for the Needy, Abuja
Hinduistička Vjerska Zajednica Hrvatske
Human Rights Center in Iraq
Ikkaido Ltd
Imam Ali Charity Institution
Instituto de Estudos Socioeconômicos
International Action for Peace & Sustainable Development
International Arts Movement, Inc.
International Association of World Peace Advocate
International Society for Peace and Safety
Iranian Thalassemia Society
Israel Trauma Coalition for Response and Preparedness (R.A.)
Italian Climate Network
Justiça Global
Kadın Sağlıkçılar Eğitim ve Dayanışma Vakfı
Kallipatira
Kids' Educational Engagement Project – KEEP
Knowledge for Development Without Borders (KFDWB)
La Voûte Nubienne
League of Women Voters of Nigeria
LEDARS (Local Environment Development and Agricultural Research Society)
Legal Action Worldwide
Legal Advice Centre
Love Alliance Foundation for Orphans, Disabled and Abandoned Persons in Nigeria
Magyar Női Unió Egyesület
Markaz Toseeh Tehran
Medijski Edukativni Centar
MESCH (Medical and Educational Sustainable Community Help) Incorporated
Migration Council Australia
Montréal International
Mundo a Sorrir – Associação de Médicos Dentistas Solidários Portugueses
MUSIAD Corp
Namati Inc
National Association for the Defense of Rights and Freedoms
National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
Nature's Rights
Nikookaran Sharif Charity
Ogiek Peoples' Development Program (OPDP)
One Earth Future Foundation, Inc.
OneNess Foundation for the Aged, Disabled and Children
ONG Funsocial Crecer Colombia
Open Net Incorporated Association
Opportunity Two Excel Foundation
Organisation pour de nouvelles Initiatives en Développement et Santé au Burkina Faso
Organización no gubernamental de Desarrollo Piensa Discapacidad
Palestinian Association for Human Rights (Witness)
Panoramic Charity Foundation
Partenaires pour le développement rural (PDR)
Peace Development Fund
Peace Initiative Network
Peace Society of Kenya
PeaceTrees Vietnam
Pearl Initiative Inc.
People's Cultural Centre
Permanent Peace Movement
Phelyn Skill Acquisition Center
Poka Healthcare Foundation
PRO Leadership Global Inc.
Public Aid Organization
Rahbord Peimayesh Research & Educational Services Cooperative
Ranney School
Regional Centre for International Development Cooperation Limited (By Guarantee)
Rescue the Poor Child
RIO Rusmisbrukernes Interesseorganisasjon
SAM, Inc.
Sanctuary for Families, Inc.
Sanid Organization for Relief and Development
Seek the Peace
Shrushti Seva Samiti
Silambam Asia (SILA)
Smart Women's Community Institute
Smile Again Africa Development Organization
Smile Youth Initiative International
Sociedad Espiritista Kardecciana Cruzada Quisicuaba
Sociedad Mexicana de Criminología Capítulo Nuevo León, Asociación Civil
Sociedad y Discapacidad: Estudios, Asesoría e Integración de la Persona con Discapacidad "Sociedad y Discapacidad"
Society for Orphan, Neglected & Youths (SONY)
Solidarité Humanitaire
South Saharan Social Development Organisation
South Youth Organization
SPD
Specified Non-Profit Organization Diamonds for Peace
Stephen Lewis Foundation
Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation
Stichting Deep Sea Conservation Coalition
Stopaid
Swiss Academy for Development, SAD
Syndicat Chretien Des Travailleurs Du Congo "Sctc"
TASC National Limited
Terre des femmes Schweiz
The American Pakistan Foundation
The Centre for Family Health Initiatives
The Family Planning Association of Sri Lanka
The First Community Christian Pentecostal Church of God, Inc.
The Institute for Protection of Women's Rights (IPWR)
The National Council of African Descendants in America
The New Generation Girls and Women Development Initiative
The Paz Foundation
The Reality of Aid Africa Network
The Union of Arab Banks
The Victor Pineda Foundation
Tiruzer Ethiopia for Africa (TEA)
TOBE Foundation for Rights & Freedoms
Triumphant Hand of Mercy Initiative NPC
Tsilhqot’in National Government
UCC Whale Center Inc.
Uluslararası Süleymaniye Eğitim ve Yardımlaşma Derneği
Union Nationale des femmes Algérienne
Union of Relief and Development Associations
Union Pour La Promotion De La Femme Et De L’ Enfant Nigerienne
Union Theological Seminary
Universal Peace and Violence Amelioration Centre
Universal Soul Love
US UCIA Corporation
Wassa Karité
Women Initiative for Sustainable Environment
Women's Initiative for Self-Actualization
Women's Spirit (Ruach Nashit) – Financial Independence for Women Survivors of Violence
World Obesity Federation
Yemeni Observatory for Rights and Sustainable Development
Yoruba Indigene's Foundation
Youth Crime Watch of Liberia
Youth Education and Leadership Initiative
Youth Health and Development Organization
Youth Initiative Against Unlawful Emigration
YUVA [Mauritius]
Zaindriiss Foundation Inc
Zomi National Council of Myanmar (ZNCM) Social Organization (Kalaymyo)

(b) To reclassify two non-governmental organizations from special to general consultative status:
International Human Rights & Anti-Corruption Society
Lazarus Union

(c) To reclassify one non-governmental organization from roster to general consultative status:
International Transport Workers’ Federation

(d) To note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of the following seven non-governmental organizations:
Appui aux femmes démunies et enfants marginalisés au Kivu (special, 2015) to Dignité Impact / Impact Dignity
Association of Third World Studies (ATWS) (special, 1995) to Association of Global South Studies (AGSS)
Building and Social Housing Foundation (special, 2006) to World Habitat
Citizens United to Promote Peace & Democracy in Liberia (special, 2015) to Partnership for Sustainable Development (PaSD)
Fundacion Intervida (Special, 2001) to Fundación Educación y Cooperación (EDUCO)


Students' Care Service (special, 2018) to SHINE Children and Youth Services

(e) To note that the Committee took note of the merger of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, which obtained special consultative status in 2011, and the Cluster Munition Coalition to form the International Campaign to Ban Landmines - Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC), and to grant special consultative status to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines – Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC);

(f) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 399 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports:

1 The reports listed are for the 2014-2017 period except where stated otherwise in parentheses.


“Armenian Lawyers' Association” Non-Governmental Organization

Action Aides aux Familles Demunies

Actions communautaires pour le développement integral

Africa Centre for Citizens Orientation

African Centre for Advocacy and Human Development

African Foundation for Human Advancement

African Heritage Foundation Nigeria

African Hope Committee Inc.

African Views Organization a NJ Nonprofit Corporation

African Youth Movement

Afro-European Medical and Research Network

Agence d'aide a la cooperation technique et au developpement

Agencia Latinoamericana de Informacion (ALAI)

Agir Ensemble pour les Droits de l'Homme

Al Birr & Al Tawasul Organization

Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights

Al-khoei Foundation

Allied Rainbow Communities International

All-Russian public organization "Russian Public Intitute of Electoral Law"

1 The reports listed are for the 2014-2017 period except where stated otherwise in parentheses.
All-Ukrainian Public Organization “Christian Rehabilitation Centers Association, for Drug and Alcohol Addicted People”
All-Ukrainian Union of Non-Government Organizations "Confederation of Non-Government Organizations of People with Disabilities of Ukraine"
Alpha O. Centre for Malaria Prevention and Control
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc.
American Psychological Association (2012 – 2015)
Americans for Democracy & Human Rights in Bahrain Inc
Amity Foundation
Amman Center for Human Rights Studies
ANO "Organization" "Vector of Friendship"
ANPAM - Associazione Nazionale Produttori Armi e Munizioni Sportive e Civili
Anti-Slavery International
Architectes de l'urgence
Asia Pacific Basin for Energy Strategies Association, Inc.
Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development
Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network (AITPN)
Asian Institute of Transport Development
Asian Legal Resource Centre
Asociación Habitat Pro
Asociación Nacional de Estudiantes de ingenierías Industrial, Administrativa y de Producción
Asociatia Obsteasca "Promo-LEX"
Asociatia Pakiv Romania
Assembly of First Nations - National Indian Brotherhood
Associacao de Mulheres Contra a Violencia
Association "For Sustainable Human Development"
Association ALKHAYR pour le developpement en Mauritanie
Association apprentissage sans frontieres
Association Congolaise pour le Développement Agricole
Association Democratique des Femmes du Maroc
Association des Etats Generaux des Etudiants de l'Europe
Association des ONG de l'environnement (A.O.E.)
Association Diogenis, Drug Policy Dialogue in South East Europe
Association for Assistance to Families with Disabled Children
Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism
Association Internationale Soufie Alawiyya
Association of Medical Doctors of Asia
Association of Presbyterian Women of Aoteaora, New Zealand
Association on sustainable development and investment climate improvement, uniting investors and creditors "World Organization for Development"
Association pour la Formation et l'Insertion Sociale de l'Adolescent et de la Femme (AFISAF)
Association pour la santé et la prévention des maladies tropicales
Association Solidarité Internationale pour l'Afrique (SIA)
Associazione Comunita Papa Giovanni XXIII
Awesome Treasures Foundation
BADIL Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights
Baptist World Alliance
Basic Health International
Batey Relief Alliance Inc
Board of Certified Safety Professionals
Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University
British Columbia Civil Liberties Association
Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation
Building and Social Housing Foundation
Cameroon Association for the Defence of the Victims of Accident
Canadian Federation of University Women
Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network
Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women
Capital Humano y Social Alternativo
Caribbean Association for Feminist Research and Action
Casa Generalizia della Societa' del Sacro Cuore
Catholic International Education Office
Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid
Catholics for Choice
Cause Première
Center for Global Nonkilling
Center for Policy Studies
Center for Women and Development
Centre d'accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement
Centre de Formation et de Recherche pour le Développement (CFRD)
Centre Europe - tiers monde
Centre for African Israeli Friendship
Centre for Public Health
Centre pour les Droits Civils et Politiques - Centre CCPR
Centro de los Derechos del Migrante, Inc.
C-Fam, Inc.
Charter of Union of legal persons in the form of Association "Internet Association of Kazakhstan"
China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation
China Education Association for International Exchange
China Foundation for Peace and Development
China International Council for the Promotion of Multinational Corporations
China Society for Human Rights Studies (CSHRS)
Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament, The
CHIRAPAQ - Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú
Christian Aid
Church World Service
CIBJO - The World Jewellery Confederation
Club des Jeunes Aveugles Réhabilités du Cameroun
Collectif Senegalais des Africaines pour la Promotion de l'Education Relative a l'Environnement
Comité International pour le Respect et l'Application de la Charte Africaine des Droits de l'Homme et des Peuples (CIRAC)
Comite National d'Action pour les Droits de l'Enfant et de la Femme
Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy
Commonwealth Human Ecology Council
Community Development Programme (SDP)
Conectas Direitos Humanos
Confédération des organisations familiales de l'Union européenne
Connecting Gender for Development
Conservation International Foundation
Consortium d'appui aux actions pour la promotion et le développement de l'Afrique (CAPDA)
Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service
Criminologists Without Borders Inc
Curia Generalizia Agostiniana
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association
DiploFoundation
Dir Rural Development Organization
Disisleri Mensuplari Esleri Dayanisma Dernegi
DMW - Diplomaten für internationale Verbindungen von Mensch & Wirtschaft e.V.
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America
Dominican Leadership Conference
Dreavie
Drug Free America Foundation
Eastern Sudan Women Development Organization
East-West Management Institute
EKTA
Engender
EquallyAble Foundation
Escuela Cultura de Paz
Ethiopia Change and Development Association
Ethiopian World Federation
EUROMIL EV
European Region of the International Lesbian and Gay Federation
European Union of Jewish Students
Ewiaapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians
F N Forbundet
Families of the Missing
Families of Victims of Involuntary Disappearance (FIND)
Family Health Association of Iran
Federacion de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promocion de los Derechos Humanos (2012 – 2015)

Fédération Européenne de la Manutention

Federation of Independent Trade Unions of Russia

Federation of National Representations of the Experiment in International Living, The

Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (FPU) (2013 – 2016)

Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center

Fondation d'Auteuil

Fondation d'Entreprise Sanofi Espoir

Fondation Genereuse Developpement

Fondation VIMANIS

Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Torino

Free World Foundation (FWF)

Friends of UNFPA

Friends World Committee for Consultation

Fundación Cooperadora de la Nutrición Infantil (C.O.N.I.N.)

Fundacion Migrantes y Refugiados sin Fronteras

Fundacion Teleton Mexico AC

Future Hope International

Gabasawa Women and Children Empowerment Initiative

General Confederation of Trade Unions

General Forum of the Arabic and African Non-Governmental Organizations

Generation recherche action & formation pour l'environnement

Global Alert for Defence of Youth and the Less Privileged

Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments

Global Education Motivators

Global Housing Foundation (GHF)

Grail, The

Gram Bharati Samiti

Grameen Shakti

Grupo de Mujeres de la Argentina - Foro de VIH, mujeres y familia

Guild of Service

Hawa Society for Women
Health on the Net Foundation (HON)
Hellenic Association of Political Scientists
Heungsadahn, A Corporation
High Security Newplate Limited
Homosexuelle Initiative Wien (2013 – 2016)
Hope Foundation NGO
Humanist Institute for Co-operation with Developing Countries
Humanity First
Huqooq-ul-Ebad Development Foundation
IBUKA-Mémoire et Justice-Section Suisse
IDEAS for US
IFENDU for Women's Development
II Cenacolo
Imam Ali’s Popular Students Relief Society
Imam Al-Sadr Foundation
Ingenieurs du Monde
InnerCity Mission for Children
INSHED - International Network for Standardization of Higher Education Degrees
Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development
International Career Support Association
International Center for Research on Women
International Committee For Peace And Reconciliation
International Confederation of Childhood Cancer Parent Organisations
International Cooperative Alliance
International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB)
International Council of Psychologists
International Council of Voluntary Agencies
International Council on Management of Population Programmes
International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres
International Federation of Training and Development Organisations, Ltd.
International Federation of Women Lawyers
International Food and Beverage Alliance (IFBA)
International Forestry Students' Association
International Fund for Animal Welfare
International Higher Education Academy of Sciences
International Institute for Non-Aligned Studies
International Investment Center
International Mediation Institute Stichting
International MotherBaby Childbirth Organization Inc.
International Network for Sustainable Energy
International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions
International Partnership for Human Rights
International Prison Chaplains' Association
International Public Organization "Sovereign Knightly Order of Christ the Savior"
International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication
International Society of Doctors for the Environment
International Union of Psychological Science
International Women's Forum, Inc.
International Women's Year Liaison Group
Interregional Public Charitable Organization of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities “SAIL OF HOPE”
Inwelle Study and Resource, Centre
IPAS
ISIS - Women's International Cross-Cultural Exchange
Italian Association for Aid to Children
Italian Association for Women in Development
iuventum e.V.
Jesus Weeps Over Africa
Jewish Voice Ministries International
Jose Marti Cultural Society
Jssor Youth Organization
Kalyani
Keystone Human Services International
Khiam Rehabilitation Center for Victims of Torture
Khuwendo Kor
Kids First Fund
Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy
Korea Differently Abled Federation
Korea NGO Council for Overseas Development Cooperation
Korean National Council of Women
Kulturverein - IDEA Society
La Brique
Labour, Health and Human Rights Development Centre
Law Enforcement Action Partnership, Inc.
Lazarus Union
Lebanese American Renaissance Partnership, Inc.
LGBT Denmark - The National Organization for Gay Men, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Transgendered People
Liberians United to Expose Hidden Weapons
Lotus World
Maarij Foundation for Peace and Development
Maasai Aid Association (M.A.A.)
Mar Adentro de México A.C.
Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights
Marmara Group Strategic and Social Research Foundation
Martin und Gerda Essl Sozialpreis gemeinnützige Privatstiftung
Mental Disability Rights International
Mines Advisory Group
Mobility International USA
Movimento Italiano Casalinghe
Movimiento Manuela Ramos
Nation Builders Organisation
National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan (NaYORA)
National Association for Resource Improvement
National Congress of Australia's First Peoples Limited
National Federation of International Immigrant Women Associations
National Rehabilitation and Development Center (NRDC)
National Rural Support Programme
Native American Rights Fund
Nazra for Feminist Studies
Neighbour Organization Nepal (NEO-Nepal)
Network "Earth Village"
New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council
New South Wales council for Civil Liberties
Non-Governmental Organization Federation of Nepal
North Indian Educational Trust
OIPA - Organizzazione Internazionale Protezione Animali
ONG Playdoo - Cote d'Ivoire
Operation Mercy
Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil Conselho Federal
Organisation des Hommes demunis et enfants orphelins pour le developpement
Organisation internationale pour les pays les moins avancés (OIPMA)
Organization for Defending Victims of Violence
Organization for the Solidarity of the Peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America
Oxfam International
Pace University
Pacific Women's Watch (New Zealand)
Pan-African Women's Organization
Parliamentarians for Global Action
Peace Boat
Peace Brigades International Switzerland
Personhood Education
Pew Environment Group
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Prahar
Presse Embleme Campagne
Public-Private Alliance Foundation
Raad Rehabilitation Goodwill Complex
Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini
Reach Out (REO) "N.G.O."
Real Women of Canada
Research and Development Centre, Nepal
Réseau des Organisations Féminines d' Afrique Francophone
Réseau International des Droits Humains (RIDH)
Réseau Océan Mondial
Rissho Kosei-kai
Rooftops Canada
Russian Academy of Natural Sciences
Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, Inc.
Save the Climat
School Sisters of Notre Dame
Secours populaire français
Secure World Foundation
Sewa Development Trust Sindh
Shirley Ann Sullivan Educational Foundation
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc
Sihtasutus Eesti Inimõiguste Keskus
Sillamäe Lastekaitse Ühing
Simply Help, Inc. (2009 – 2012)
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
Social Development Center
Solidarité pour le développement communautaire
Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific
Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (OSMTH)
SpellAfrica Initiative
Sree Saraswathi Thyagaraja College
Stichting dance4life
Stichting Eurad (Europe Against Drugs)
Stichting Forest Peoples Programme
Strategic Alignment of Like Minds Inc
Structural Analysis of Cultural Systems
Sudanese Women Parliamentarians Caucus
Sylvia Earle Alliance
Tchad agir pour l'environnement
Teresian Association
The Agatha Foundation Inc.
The Bible Hill Youth Club
The Children's Project, Inc.
The Entrepreneurship Development Foundation for Women and Youth
The International Automotive Lighting and Light Signalling Expert Group
The International Coalition of Historic Site Museums of Conscience
The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction, Inc.
The Korean Council for the Women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery by Japan
The Rainforest Fund, Inc.
The World Justice Project
Third World Network- Africa
To Love Children Educational Foundation International Inc.
Tomorrow's Women Development Organisation
Traditions pour demain
Transdiaspora Network, Inc.
Ukrainian Non-Governmental Socio-Political Association-National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities
Un Ponte Per...
UNESCO Association, Guwahati
Union de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba
Union des Nations pour l'Enseignement, la Science Universelle et les Droits de l'Homme
United Methodist Women
United Nations of Youth, Network - Nigeria
Universal Esperanto Association
Universitas 21
Verein zur Forderung der Volkerverständigung
Vikas Samiti
Vivegam Godfrey
Vues et Voix
War Widows Association
Washington Office on Latin America
WaterLex
West Africa Network for Peacebuilding
Womankind Worldwide
Women Aid Collective
Women and Development Association in Alexandria
Women Empowerment and Human Resource Development Centre of India
Women in Law and Development in Africa
Women Organization for Development and Capacity Building
Women Power Connect
Women United for Economic Empowerment
Women's Intercultural Network
Women's Right to Education Programme
World Federalist Movement
World Federation of Trade Unions
World Information Transfer
World Leisure Organization, Inc
World ORT Union
World Shelter Organisation
WWT (Wespak Welfare Trust)
Young Adult Institute, Inc.
Youth Afrique Leadership Forum
Youth Empowerment Alliance, Inc.
Zala briviba
Zanjireh Omid International Charity Institute
Zomi Innkuan USA Inc.
Zoological Society of London

(g) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 20 non-governmental organizations after those organizations had failed, following three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed to them by members of the Committee:

Al-Mehran Rural Development Organization (AMRDO)
Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace
Anciens esclaves nouveaux citoyens
ARYAB HATT SEVA SANSTHAN
Coalition of African Lesbians (CAL)
Danjuma Atta Eye Foundation
Education des filles
Green Lane Agricultural Assistance Non-Governmental Organization
La Vie Pour Tous
Draft decision II
Withdrawal of consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee

The Economic and Social Council decides to withdraw the consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC).

Draft decision III
Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular session.

II. Applications for consultative status, requests for reclassification and quadrennial reports received from non-governmental organizations

2. The Committee considered agenda items 3 (a), applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, and 3 (b), new applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 1st through 11th meetings, held from 21 to 28 January and at its 14th and 15th meetings, held on 29 and 30 January. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2008 to 2017 (E/C.2/2019/CRP.1), requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.2), and requests for merger deferred from previous sessions of the Committee 2017 to 2019 (E/C.2/2019/CRP.3);
(b) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/2019/R.2 and E/C.2/2019/R.2/Add.1-23);

(c) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new requests for reclassification to be considered by the Committee (E/C.2/2019/R.3);

(d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing deferred requests for merger (E/C.2/2019/CRP. 3);

(e) Compilation of deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.4);

(f) Notes by the Secretary-General containing quadrennial reports for the 2014-2017 period (E/C.2/2019/2 and E/C.2/2019/2/Add.1, Add.2, and CRP 7-33);

(g) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new requests from non-governmental organizations requesting a change of name (E/C.2/2019/CRP.5);

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 5th through 11th meetings, held from 23 to 28 January 2019. The Committee considered a total of 233 deferred applications for consultative status.

Applications recommended

4. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 51 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

"İqtisadi və Sosial İnkişaf Mərkəzi" ictimai birliyi
"SEG" Civil Society Support Center NGO
Alternative Perspectives and Global Concerns
Andean Information Network
Asia Initiatives Inc
Association canadienne pour le droit et la vérité
Association du développement communautaire en Mauritanie
Association Duval
Association for Reconciliation and Development through English
Association pour la Diffusion des Droits Humains aux Peuples Autochtones (Humanitarian Law Agency)
Belgische associatie voor mensenrechten en ontwikkeling
Canadian Canola Growers Association
Citizen Association H.E.R.A. Health Education and Research Association
Dansk Flygtningehjælp
DePaul University
Drug Reform Coordination Network Inc.
EMPOWER
Federal Lezghin National and Cultural Autonomy
Fédération internationale des associations d'inventeurs
Fondazione del Monte di Bologna e Ravenna
Geneva Agape Foundation
Gesellschaft Bosnischer Akademiker in Österreich
Girls Not Brides: The Global Partnership to End Child Marriage
Global Interfaith WASH Alliance India
Global Peace Foundation
Hazar Eğitim Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği
Hellenic Initiative, Inc.
International Association of World Peace Advocate
Israel Trauma Coalition for Response and Preparedness (R.A.)
Knowledge for Development Without Borders (KFDWB)
Legal Action Worldwide
Legal Advice Centre
Namati Inc
OneNess Foundation for the Aged, Disabled and Children
Open Net Incorporated Association
Palestinian Association for Human Rights (Witness)
Peace Development Fund
People's Cultural Centre
PRO Leadership Global Inc.
Public Aid Organization
Ranney School
Regional Centre for International Development Cooperation Limited (By Guarantee)
SAM, Inc.
Shrushti Seva Samiti
South Saharan Social Development Organisation
Specified Non-Profit Organization Diamonds for Peace
Stephen Lewis Foundation
The Family Planning Association of Sri Lanka
The First Community Christian Pentecostal Church of God, Inc.
UCC Whale Center Inc.
Women's Spirit (Ruach Nashit) – Financial Independence for Women Survivors of Violence

Applications deferred

5. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 162 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee to them during its 2019 regular session:

ASOCIACION ENRAIZADOS EN CRISTO Y EN LA SOCIEDAD
Akhil Bharatiya Human Rights Organisation
Al-Imdaad Trust
Al-Shafa'a Humanitarian Organization
Alianza Americas
Alliance to Renew Co-operation among Humankind
Anti-Corruption Foundation
Arab Program for Human Rights Activists
Arab-European Center of Human Rights and International Law (AECHRIL)
Asociación Red de Mujeres Afrolatinoamericanas, Afrocaribeñas y de la Diáspora
Association Concerning Sexual Violence against Women
Association mauritanienne d'appui aux nécessiteux
Association pour la défense des droits de l'homme et des revendications démocratiques/culturelles du peuple Azerbaïdjanais-Iran - « ARC »
Assyrian Aid Society of America Inc.
Bahrain Center for Human Rights
Broad National Movement (BNM) Limited Ltd
Cairo Foundation for Development and Law
Canadian Human Rights International Organization - CHRIO
Catholic Relief Services - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Centre Zagros pour les Droits de l'Homme
Centre international pour la paix et les droits de l'homme (CIPADH)
Cercle Martin Buber
Child Foundation [USA]
China Biodiversity Conservation and Green Development Foundation
China Charity Alliance
Chinese Culture Promotion Society
Christian Solidarity International (CSI)
Citizens' Alliance for North Korean Human Rights
Club des Amis de la moughataa de Moudjeria
Congres mondial Amazigh - CMA
Congrès National des Arméniens Occidentaux (CNAO)
Cooperación Internacional
Coordination Wai (Eveil) relative à l'unité nationale et la lutte contre l'esclavage
Coptic Solidarity
Database Center for North Korean Human Rights (NKDB)
Diakonia
Diplomatic Mission Peace And Prosperity
Direct Focus Community Aid
Dream Touch for All
EGAM - European Grassroots Antiracist Movement
East Human Rights Group
Electronic Frontier Foundation, Inc.
Engineering Association for Development and Environment
Eri-Platform
Establishment of Sheikh Thani bin Abdullah Al Thani for Humanitarian Services
Ethiopian Genocide Committee 1935-1941, Inc.
Estrat Fatemi Charity Institute
Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network
European Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Limited
European coalition for just and effective drug policies (ENCOD)
Family Policy Institute
Federal Bar Association
Formation Awareness and Community Empowerment Society (FACES) Pakistan
Fundacja Otwarty Dialog
Fédération Euro-Méditerranéenne contre les Disparitions Forcées
Goringhaicona Khoi Khoin Indeginious Traditional Council
Gulf Centre for Human Rights (GCHR) Limited
Gulshan-e-John
HUJRA Village Support Organization
Habilian Association
Hokok Coalición Internacional Contra la Impunidad
Human Rights & Democratic Participation Center "SHAMS"
IFEX
Imam Khomeini Relief Foundation
Individual Land Trust
Inimõiguste Instituut
International Action Network for Gender Equity and Law
International Association of Genocide Scholars, Inc., The
International Association of Justice Watch
International Child Rights Center
International Dalit Solidarity Network
International Human Right Organization
International Non-Olympic Committee
International Non-Olympic University
International Organisation to Preserve Human Rights Ltd
International Youth Committee
International Youth Council - Yemen Chapter (IYCY)
Interregional Non-governmental Organization "Committee against Torture"
Interregional non-governmental human rights organization "Man and Law"
Islamic African Relief Agency (IARA)
Jamia Islamiya Umar Faruk Charitable Trust Solapur
Jerusalem Institute of Justice
Justice Centre Hong Kong Limited
Kaleidoscope Human Rights Foundation Ltd.
Komitet pravnika za ljudska prava
Kurdistan Institute for Human Rights
Lawyers for Justice in Libya
Le Collectif de la Paix au Sri Lanka
Les femmes, la force du changement
Ligue Mauritanienne pour l'appui aux initiatives associatives
Lion Damien Club
Mangfoldhuset
Mother Helpage (UK)
Muslim Hands
NAUH (Now Action & Unity for Human rights)
NK Watch
National Committee on BRICS Research
National Human Rights Civic Association “Belarusian Helsinki Committee”
Non c'è pace senza giustizia
Organisation Attawassoul pour la Santé, la Femme et l'Enfant
Organisation Suisse d'aide aux réfugiés
Organisation Tamaynut
Pak Special Persons Welfare Society
Pakistan International Human Rights Organization
Parents and Friends of Ex-Gays and Gays, Inc. (P-FOX)
Partners for Peace and Prosperity, Inc.
Peace Brigades International
Peace Research Institute Oslo
Research Society of International Law
Rohingya League Ltd.
SOS EXCLUS pour la protection et l'épanouissement de la famille, de l'enfant et des personnes vulnérables
SOS Urgence
Safe Care Trust International
Sahipkıran Stratejik Araştırmalar Merkezi
Salam for Democracy and Human Rights
Scholé Futuro
Sensitization Centre
Sex & Samfund
Social Services Trust
Solidarity for Peace and Reunification of Korea
Southern African AIDS Trust (Association incorporated under Section 21)
Stichting CHOICE for Youth and Sexuality
Stichting Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict
Stichting Mama Cash
Stichting Pro Papua
Stichting Wildlife Justice Commission
Swadhi kar
Syrian American Medical Society Foundation
Talent Incubator
Terram Pacis
The Andrey Rylkov Foundation for Health and Social Justice
The Center for Justice and Accountability
The Centre for International Governance Innovation
The F W de Klerk Foundation Trust
The International Center for Supporting Rights and Freedoms
The National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI)
The New Woman Foundation
The Public Association “Kazakhstan International Bureau for Human Rights and Rule of Law” (the Republican Status)
The Union of Non-governmental Associations "The International Non-governmental Organization "The World Union of Cossack Atamans"
The Voice Society
Tom Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice
Transnational Anti-Organized Crime Intelligence Group Inc.(TAOC-IG)
Trocaire
Turkiye Diyanet Vakfi
United Sikhs
Vang Pao Peace Institute
West Papua Interest Association
White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood, Inc
Women Information Network
Women Living under Muslim Laws - International Solidarity Network (WLUM)
Women in International Security (WIIS)
Women's Freedom Forum, Inc.
Women's Ordination Conference
Women's Refugee Commission, Inc.
World Association for Sexual Health
World Fund for Development and Planning (WFDP)
World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization
World Without Genocide
Applications closed without prejudice

6. At its 15th meeting, on 30 January, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 20 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 (e)).

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

7. The Committee considered item 3(b) of its agenda, new applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 1st to 5th meetings, from 21 to 23 January, and 14th and 15th meetings on 29 and 30 January 2019. The Committee considered a total of 288 new applications for consultative status.

New applications recommended

8. Of the 288 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 185 should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

Special consultative status

ABC4All (A Better Community For All)
AIVL - Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League Incorporated
ALNAHDA PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY for WOMEN
Abshar Atefeha Charity Institute
Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative
Afrikanische Frauenorganisation
Agencia Internacional de Cooperación y Desarrollo
Al-Gusor Al-Raidh Social Development Organization
Alberta Council for Global Cooperation
Alebe Collins Nigeria Foundation
American Academy of Arts and Sciences
Amroha Education Foundation
Angels in the Field
Anglican Rite Roman Catholic Church
Aotearoa Youth Leadership Institute
Apex Development Foundation
Appui Solidaire Pour Le Renforcement De L'aide Au Développement
Arc Finance, Ltd.
Asociación Colectivo Mujeres Al Derecho Sigla ASOCOLEMAD
Asociación La Ruta del Clima
Association Assistance Communautaire et Développement
Association Consortium pour les Aires et Territoires du Patrimoine Autochtone et Communautaire (APAC)
Association Jbel Ayachi pour le développement culturel, social, économique et de l'environnement
Association Ma'onah for Human Rights and Immigration
Association des femmes pour la promotion et le développement endogène
Association pour la Défense des Droits de la Femme Mauritanienne
Associação Nacional de Deficiência Mentais Raras - Rarissimas
Avocats sans Frontières Québec
BCARE USA Inc (BCARE International)
Babatunde Development And Empowerment Initiative
Bangladesh Association for Development of Trade and Finance - BADTF
Beijing Changier Education Foundation
Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation
Beit Hagalgalim (House of Wheels)
Bien Etre Social Pour Tous
Bir Dünya Çocuk Derneği
Brain Sluice Africa Child's
Center for the Study of Crime
Centre de Recherche et d'Action pour le Développement Durable et l'Epanouissement des Sociétés
Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas (CEDRO)
Chengmei Charity Foundation
China Charities Aid Foundation For Children
Churches In One Accord
Commit-2-Change, Inc.
Community Development Alliance
Compassion Soul Winners Outreach International
ComunidadMujer
Concern for Human Welfare
Confederation of Indian Healthcare Foundation (CIHF)
Continents University
Corporacion Fiscalia Del Medio Ambiente FIMA
Corporación Colectivo de Abogados Jose Alvear Restrepo
CrowdGuard
Cámara de Instituciones de Diagnóstico Médico (CA.DI.ME)
Dignidad y Justicia en el Camino, Asociación Civil
Direct Aid Organization
EL-Aged Care Ltd/Gte
Earth Law Center
Ecocentre for Environmental Protection
European Network on Debt and Development
Farhikhtegan’e Mosalman Association
Feminanza International Ltd
Fondation Medicines Patent Pool
Fondation Millennia2025 Femmes et Innovation
Fondation du Dr Julien
Fondation européenne d’études progressistes
Fondazione di ricerca scientifica ed umanistica Antonio Meneghetti
Forum Européen des Femmes Musulmanes
Foundation for Building Sustainable Communities
Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children
Fundación Abba Colombia
Fundación Cepaim, Acción Integral con Migrantes
Gap Intercessors Ministry International
Gender and Development Action (Limited by Gte.)
Georgetown University (The)
Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety
Global Medic Force (Europe)
Global Music & Wellness Inc
Green Mobilisation Initiative
Groundswell International, Inc.
Helpline Foundation for the Needy, Abuja
Hinduistička Vjerska Zajednica Hrvatske
Human Rights Center in Iraq
Ikkaido Ltd
Imam Ali Charity Institution
Instituto de Estudos Socioeconômicos
International Action for Peace & Sustainable Development
International Arts Movement, Inc.
International Society for Peace and Safety
Iranian Thalassemia Society
Italian Climate Network
Justiça Global
Kadin Sağlıkçılar Eğitim ve Dayanışma Vakfı
Kallipatira
Kids' Educational Engagement Project – KEEP
LEDARS (Local Environment Development and Agricultural Research Society)
La Voûte Nubienne
League of Women Voters of Nigeria
Love Alliance Foundation for Orphans, Disabled and Abandoned Persons in Nigeria
MESCH (Medical and Educational Sustainable Community Help) Incorporated
MUSIAD Corp
Magyar Női Unió Egyesület
Markaz Toseeh Tehran
Medijski Edukativni Centar
Migration Council Australia
Montréal International
Mundo a Sorrir – Associação de Médicos Dentistas Solidários Portugueses
National Association for the Defense of Rights and Freedoms
National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
Nature's Rights
Nikookaran Sharif Charity
ONG Funsocial Crecer Colombia
Ogiek Peoples' Development Program (OPDP)
One Earth Future Foundation, Inc.
Opportunity Two Excel Foundation
Organisation pour de nouvelles Initiatives en Développement et Santé au Burkina Faso
Organización no gubernamental de Desarrollo Piensa Discapacidad
Panoramic Charity Foundation
Partenaires pour le développement rural (PDR)
Peace Initiative Network
Peace Society of Kenya
PeaceTrees Vietnam
Pearl Initiative Inc.
Permanent Peace Movement
Phelyn Skill Acquisition Center
Poka Healthcare Foundation
RIO Rusmisbrukernes Interesseorganisasjon
Rahbord Peimayesh Research & Educational Services Cooperative
Rescue the Poor Child
SPD
Sanctuary for Families, Inc.
Sanid Organization for Relief and Development
Seek the Peace
Silambam Asia (SILA)
Smart Women's Community Institute
Smile Again Africa Development Organization
Smile Youth Initiative International
Sociedad Espiritista Kardeciana Cruzada Quisicuaba
Sociedad Mexicana de Criminología Capítulo Nuevo León, Asociación Civil
Sociedad y Discapacidad: Estudios, Asesoría e Integración de la Persona con Discapacidad "Sociedad y Discapacidad"
Society for Orphan, Neglected & Youths (SONY)
Solidarité Humanitaire
South Youth Organization
Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation
Stichting Deep Sea Conservation Coalition
Stopaids
Swiss Academy for Development, SAD
Syndicat Chretien Des Travailleurs Du Congo "Sctc"
TASC National Limited
TOBE Foundation for Rights & Freedoms
Terre des femmes Schweiz
The American Pakistan Foundation
The Centre for Family Health Initiatives
The Institute for Protection of Women's Rights (IPWR)
The National Council of African Descendants in America
The New Generation Girls and Women Development Initiative
The Paz Foundation
The Reality of Aid Africa Network
The Union of Arab Banks
The Victor Pineda Foundation
Tiruzer Ethiopia for Africa (TEA)
Triumphant Hand of Mercy Initiative NPC
Tsilhqot’in National Government
US UCIA Corporation
Uluslararası Süleymaniye Eğitim ve Yardımlaşma Derneği
Union Nationale des femmes Algérienne
Union Pour La Promotion De La Femme Et De L’ Enfant Nigerienne
Union Theological Seminary
Union of Relief and Development Associations
Universal Peace and Violence Amelioration Centre
Universal Soul Love
Wassa Karité
Women Initiative for Sustainable Environment
Women's Initiative for Self-Actualization
World Obesity Federation
YUVA [Mauritius]
Yemeni Observatory for Rights and Sustainable Development
Yoruba Indigene's Foundation
Youth Crime Watch of Liberia
Youth Education and Leadership Initiative
Youth Health and Development Organization
Youth Initiative Against Unlawful Emigration
Zaindriss Foundation Inc
Zomi National Council of Myanmar (ZNCM) Social Organization (Kalaymyo)
Əlil Təşkilatları İttifaqı

New applications deferred

9. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 103 organizations pending receipt of questions posed by the Committee to the organizations during its 2019 regular session:

A New Dawn – Bedouin Jewish Centre in the Negev for Equality and Accessibility in Education, Research, Peace and Welfare Services (R.A.)
Afrikanse Forum vir Burgerregte
Aleh Jerusalem Centres
American Center for International Labor Solidarity
Asambea Permanente por los Derechos Humanos La Matanza
Association Of Professional Social Workers And Development Practitioners
Association Québécoise des Organismes de Coopération Internationale (AQOCI)
Association of Non-for- Profit Organizations to Facilitate the Drug Prevention and Socially Dangerous Behaviour “National Anti-Drug Union”
Association pour une jeunesse africaine progressiste
Association réseau de Centre d'entrainment aux méthodes d'éducation active du Cameroun
Avaaz Foundation
Belarusian Fund of Peace
Blue Cross & Blue Crescent Society
Burundi Rugby League Rugby A Xiii Cooperative
Care 2 give, Inc
Center for Sex education and Family Life Ltd/Gte
Centro Mujeres A.C.
Chanan Development Association
Chavara Cultural Centre
Chorbut LSO (Chorbut Local Support Organization)
Churches for Middle East Peace
Collectif Alpha Ujuvi
Community Human Rights and Advocacy Centre (CHRAC)
Conflict Dynamics International, Inc.
Cruelty Free International
Dalit Welfare Association
Darfur Women Action Group
Democracy Reporting International gGmbH
Drug Free Pakistan Foundation
ESCR-Net - International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Inc.
Earth
Ensar Vakfi
Environmental and Societal Development Foundation
Envisions Institute of Development
Family Planning NSW
Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini
Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI)
Fundación Alianza por los Derechos, la Igualdad y la Solidaridad Internacional
GSM Association
Global Buddhist Foundation
Global Coalition for Peace and Security Inc.
Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization
Global One 2015
Global Rights for Women
Grace Leadership Foundation Inc
Great Enlightenment Lotus Society Inc.
Health Limited
Helpage India
Human Is Right
Humanitarian Tracker
IAMANEH Schweiz Suisse Svizzera Switzerland
International Civil Society Action Network, Inc.
International Convocation of Unitarian Universalist Women
International Council for Small Business
International Council on Monuments and Sites
International Medical Corps
International Organization for Educational Development
International Programme on the State of the Ocean
Kaarvan Crafts Foundation
Maalkop Trading and Projects
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY, INC
NORSAAC
Occupational Knowledge International
OneMama Incorporated
OneNess Foundations Diaspora USA
Pan African Girl Child Education Foundation
Partners for Progressive Israel
Partnership for Observation of the Global Oceans Society
Peace Without Limits (PWL) International Organization, Inc.
Peaceever TV International Media Group Inc.
Philippine Social Enterprise Network Inc.
Public Organization "Institute for the Study of Dependencies, Drug Policy Issues and Monitoring the Drug Situation"
Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, Inc.
Rupani Foundation
Sabawon
Sheikh Abdullah Al Nouri Charity Society
Shuhada Organization SO
Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce
Society for Union of Muslims And Empowerment (SUMAE) Foundation
Sohag Community Development and Caring Children with Special Needs Association
Stichting Iranian Center for International Criminal Law
Stichting Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport (SLoCaT) Foundation
Su Politikalari Dernegi
Swedwatch
The Bar Human Rights Committee
The Center for Bioethics and Culture
The Egyptian Coordination for Law and Justice
The Foundation for Political, Economic and Social Research (SETA)
The Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime
The Legal Center for Women's Initiatives Sana Sezim
Türk Kadınlar Birliği Derneği
UNISC International
Union des peuples autochtones pour le réveil au développement
United National Organization of Human Rights
United States Council for the International Business, Incorporated
Vikash Deep
Voluntary Integration for Education and Welfare of Society
Všį "Žmogaus teisių apsauga"
Welfare Association Jared
YWCA of Japan
Yayasan Kota Kita Surakarta
YouChange China Social Entrepreneur Foundation
Youth and Development Consultancy Institute

**Requests for reclassification**

10. At its 5th and 11th meetings, on 23 and 28 January, the Committee considered six requests for reclassification of consultative status, including three new requests for reclassification, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/R.3, and three deferred requests, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/CRP.2. It recommended the reclassification of two organizations from special to general consultative status and one from roster to general (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (b) and (d)): and deferred its consideration of the applications for reclassification of status of the following three organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee:

The Fishermen
Institute of Noahide Code
Widows for Peace through Democracy

**C. Requests for mergers and other matters**

**Requests for mergers**

11. At its 11th meeting, on 28 January, the Committee took note of the merger of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, which obtained special consultative status in 2011, and the Cluster Munition Coalition to form the International Campaign to Ban Landmines - Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC), as contained in document E/C.2/2019/CRP.3. The Committee recommended that the Economic and Social Council grant special consultative status to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines - Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC) (see draft I (e)). It decided to further defer its consideration of the application of the Social Service Agency of the Protestant Church in Germany (in special consultative status) for its merger with the
Protestant Development Service (an organization not in status with the Council) to form the Protestant Agency for Diakonie and Development, which had been deferred from the previous session, pending receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee.

Requests for a change of name

12. At its 14th meeting, on 29 January, the Committee considered eight new requests for a change of name by organizations in consultative status, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/CRP.5. It decided to take note of the change of name of seven of the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)) and to defer its consideration of the request for a change of name by the following organization, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee:

Initiative Féministe Européenne (Special, 2016) to Initiative Féministe EuroMediterraneenne IFE EFI

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

A. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council that had been deferred at the resumed session

13. At its 13th meeting on 29 January, the Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of 90 quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status on their activities during the period 2005-2018, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (see E/C.2/2018/CRP.4).

Of the 90 reports, the Committee took note of the reports of the following 9 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (e)):

American Psychological Association (2012 – 2015)
Commission of the Churches on International Affairs of the World Council of Churches 2012 - 2015
Federacion de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promocion de los Derechos Humanos (2012 – 2015)
Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (FPU) (2013 – 2016)
Homosexuelle Initiative Wien (2013 – 2016)
Simply Help, Inc. (2009 – 2012)
14. The Committee decided to further defer the consideration of 81 deferred quadrennial reports submitted by the following 66 organizations:

Armenian Assembly of America (2007 – 2010)
Armenian Assembly of America (2011 – 2014)
Canadian Environmental Network (2013 – 2016)
Catholics for Choice (2010 – 2013)
Catolicas Por El Derecho A Decidir (2009 – 2012)
Centrist Democratic International (2010 – 2013)
Cross-Cultural Solutions (2011 – 2014)
Equality Now (2013 – 2016)
Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegría (2011 – 2014)
Habitat International Coalition (2013 – 2016)
Human Rights Watch (2009 – 2012)
Human Rights Watch (2013 – 2016)
Institute of Inter-Balkan Relations (2010 – 2013)
Inter-American Press Association (2013 – 2016)
International Association for Religious Freedom (2011 – 2014)
International Federation for Home Economics (2013 – 2016)
International Federation of Journalists (2005 – 2008)
International Federation of Journalists (2009 – 2012)
International Federation of Journalists (2013 – 2016)
Lawyers for Lawyers (2013 – 2016)
Lawyers’ Rights Watch Canada (2013 – 2016)
MIROSLAVA International Alliance (2013 – 2016)
Mahila Dakshata Samiti (2012 – 2015)
Pathfinder International (2011 – 2014)
People's Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (2012 – 2015)
Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water (2013 – 2016)
Redress Trust (2011 – 2014)
Scholars at Risk Network (2013 – 2016)
Simon Wiesenthal Center (2011 – 2014)
Society for Threatened Peoples (2013 – 2016)
Temple of Understanding (2011 – 2014)
The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (2011 – 2014)
Ukrainian World Congress (2003 – 2006)
Ukrainian World Congress (2007 – 2010)
Ukrainian World Congress (2011 – 2014)
Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (2009 – 2012)
Verein Sudwind Entwicklungs politik (2013 – 2016)
WITNESS (2013 – 2016)
Women for Women's Human Rights - New Ways (2009 – 2012)
World Hunger Year, Inc. (2012 – 2015)
World Jewish Congress (2011 – 2014)
World Organisation Against Torture (2010 – 2013)
Young Women's Christian Association (2013 – 2016)

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

15. At its 11th through 13th meeting, on 28 and 29 January 2019, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (b), Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council. It had before it notes by the Secretary-General containing 439 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2019/2 and E/C.2/2019/2/Add.1 and Add.2, and CRPs 7-33). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 390 of the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of the reports of the following 49 organizations:

Centro de Promoción y Defensa de los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos (2014 – 2017)
Dones per la Llibertat i Democràcia (2014 – 2017)
Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (2014 – 2017)
Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe (2014 – 2017)
Fondation pour un Centre pour le Développement Socio-Economique (2014 – 2017)
Fundacion Pro Humanae Vitae (2014 – 2017)
Gender at Work (2014 – 2017)
IBON.International Foundation Inc. (2014 – 2017)
International Alliance of Patients’ Organizations (2014 – 2017)
Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany (2014 – 2017)
Local Governments for Sustainability (2014 – 2017)
Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers (2014 – 2017)
Mennonite Central Committee (2014 – 2017)
Natural Justice (2014 – 2017)
Presbyterian Church (USA) (2014 – 2017)
Young Women's Christian Association of Australia (2014 – 2017)

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

16. At its first meeting on 21 January, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network, and heard oral reports made by the Secretariat.

17. The Director of the Office for Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, highlighted that the adoption of the 2030 agenda had led to the mobilization of civil society and amplified their interest in contributing to the work of the United Nations. She noted that there had been a sharp increase in the number of applications for consultative status received by the NGO Branch, from 440 applications in 2014 to 820 in 2019 and that the trend was bound to continue. Consequently, the workload of the Branch in processing new applications and quadrennial reports and addressing other tasks in the absence of additional human resources, had been impacted, leading to a growing backlog in the submission of new applications to the Committee.

18. She stressed that there was an urgent need to secure additional human and advanced technical resources to enable both the Secretariat and the Committee to deal effectively with the growing workload. In this regard, she informed the Committee that the Branch had developed a project aimed at replacing the outdated electronic platforms used by the Branch including the Integrated Civil Society Organizations Systems (ICSO), the United Nations Civil Society Network (CSO Net) and Paperless, with a unique integrated system tailored to the needs of the Branch. She added that efforts were underway to identify possible systems that would enhance performance and provide faster and improved services to the Committee and NGOs and sought the Committee’s support for the endeavour.

19. The Director also assured the Committee of the support of her Office in its consideration of the invitation addressed by the General Assembly, in its resolution 72/305, to the Committee with a view to examine the way in which the growing number of applications of NGOs for consultative status can be accommodated.
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

Recommendations for improving the working methods of the Committee

20. Recommendations for improving the Committee’s working methods were considered at its first meeting on 21 January 2019 and on its 11th, 12th and 13th meetings on 28 and 29 January 2019.

21. At its 12th meeting on 28th January, the Secretariat brought to the attention of the Committee the fact that the questionnaire for the submission of quadrennial reports requested NGOs to report on initiatives taken by their organizations to the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and requested the Committee to authorize the Secretariat to update the reference to reflect the more recently adopted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

22. The representative of Cuba noted that in the past the Committee had dealt with significant amendments to the working methods or questionnaire/s related to the Committee’s work through an established working group and urged that the Committee adhere to its established practice. He further noted that some reports pending before the Committee related to activities implemented before the adoption of the SDGs and that as such organizations should still be required to report on those activities. He encouraged the Secretariat to notify the Committee in advance regarding procedural matters to be addressed during the Committee’s session to allow adequate time for consultations before deliberations. Following a clarification by the Secretariat, the Committee decided to amend the reference in the questionnaire on quadrennial reports to include both the MDGs and SDGs and authorized the Secretariat to amend the questionnaire accordingly. The relevant sentence in the questionnaire will therefore read: “Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the MDGs/SDGs”.

23. At its 13th meeting on 29 January, the Committee discussed the issue of non-responses by NGOs to questions raised by the Committee in relation to their quadrennial reports and the lack of guidance in place to deal with such situations. The Chair indicated that he would convene informal consultations to further consider the matter.

24. At its 15th meeting on 30 January, the representative of India recalled that the Committee had previously held informal discussions on a proposal to screen NGO applications for consultative status against the United Nations Consolidated Sanctions List. She noted that a follow-up briefing by UN offices regarding the issue, that had been requested by the Committee, had been postponed. She requested that the Secretariat provide a new date for the next informal meeting where the Committee would receive a briefing from relevant UN offices on how to implement the proposal going forward.
Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

25. The special report submitted by the delegation of the United States was considered by the Committee at its 1st and 10th meetings, on 21 and 25 January, respectively. At the first meeting on 21 January the representative of the United States referred to a diplomatic note dated 15 January 2019 (see annex I) that had been circulated previously to members of the Committee and that contained a request for the withdrawal of the consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee.

26. She expressed her delegation’s concern regarding the global crackdown on civil society and attempts to close civic space. She stated that the Committee had a responsibility to ensure the accreditation and fair treatment of NGOs who contribute to the work of the United Nations and affirmed her delegation’s commitment to work in an open and transparent manner towards this end. She stressed the important role of civil society in representing the values and aspirations of the UN Charter and providing alternative voices at the UN.

27. She expressed regret, however, that some organizations attempt to use the UN platform and UN accreditation to perpetrate fraudulent and illicit activities, in violation of UN rules, noting that this was a breach of trust and a serious threat to organizations that were making important contributions to the UN. In this regard, she referred to a Diplomatic Note dated 15 January 2019 (see annex I) that had been circulated previously to members of the Committee and that contained a request for the withdrawal of special consultative status of the non-governmental organization, China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC). She stated that the request had been made following the conviction of an individual in US federal court on serious criminal charges relating to the use of the organization as a platform for criminal activity as detailed in the Diplomatic Note. Noting with regret that an NGO had subverted and manipulated its ECOSOC accreditation, she stressed that it was important for the Committee to carry out its responsibility to protect and ensure the continued integrity of the ECOSOC accreditation process by taking prompt action to address the case.

28. She informed the Committee that a jury in a Manhattan federal court had found Chi Ping Patrick Ho, CEFC’s Deputy Chairman and Secretary General, guilty of taking part in a multi-year, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe foreign leaders for CEFC China Energy, a Shanghai-based corporate entity that was the primary benefactor of the CEFC. She stated that Mr. Ho had been convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, international money laundering and conspiracy to commit both and that court documents and evidence presented at the trial, had shown that he utilized CEFC’s special consultative status to access UN resources and people to advance commercial goals including through bribery schemes. She added that the organization had failed to file the requisite tax documents required for non-profit organizations in the United States and that no activity had been registered at the organization’s Virginia-based location since Mr. Ho’s conviction.
29. She recalled paragraph 57(a) of ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 which stipulates that the consultative status of an organization shall be suspended for 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”. She further recalled that paragraph 57(b) of the resolution stipulated that consultative status be suspended for up to 3 years or withdrawn if there existed “substantiated evidence of influence from proceeds resulting from internationally recognized criminal activities such as the illicit drugs trade, money-laundering or illegal arms trade”. Citing the conviction of Mr. Ho on money laundering charges and his use of the organization’s consultative status and resources for criminal activity and bribery activities, she urged the Committee to withdraw CEFC’s consultative status in accordance with paragraph 57 of ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 to prevent the misuse of ECOSOC consultative status as a platform for criminal activity. She requested that the organization be given an opportunity to submit a response to the concerns raised by her delegation in writing, for consideration by the Committee.

30. The representative of India stated that non-governmental organizations with consultative status make important contributions to the work of the United Nations by implementing programmes at grassroots level, by providing information, analysis and support to a wide range of activities and by strengthening multi-stakeholder dialogue and alliance-building. She noted that the partnership between the UN and the NGOs is based on trust between them as well as the communities whose voices that NGOs represent. She further noted that consultative status is granted on the premise that organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC, would not under any circumstances abuse their status or engage in acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the UN Charter. She stressed that organizations in consultative status should conduct their affairs with impeccable moral and ethical standards and that any detraction from this conduct required immediate corrective action by the Committee in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31. Noting the gravity of issues raised by the delegation of the United States, she supported the proposal to grant the NGO in question an opportunity to explain its position before the Committee.

31. She further stated that the situation called for introspection about strengthening methods of exercising due diligence under existing rules, procedures and practices of the consultative mechanism while granting status, as well as while reviewing and monitoring the activities of organizations in consultative status. In this regard, she recalled that her delegation had proposed that NGO applications be screened against the sanctions list of the UN Security Council to ensure that individuals and entities with terrorist links are prevented from entering into consultative status with ECOSOC. She noted that informal consultations regarding the screening of NGO applications against the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List had been convened in 2018 and expressed hope that progress would be made in the implementation of her delegation’s proposal.

32. At its 10th meeting on 25 January the Committee resumed the consideration of agenda item 7. The Secretariat informed the Committee that the formal complaint submitted by the United States Mission to the United Nations had been transmitted to the organization with a request for a response by 24 January 2019, but the organization had not responded to the Committee’s request.
33. The representative of the Russian Federation noted that the Committee’s decision to recommend the withdrawal of the organization’s consultative status might be precipitous since the court’s conviction against the CEFC representative could be the subject of an appeal or reversed by an appellate court.

34. The Committee decided to recommend the withdrawal of the consultative status of the China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC).

VII. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

35. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2019 regular session from 21 to 30 January, and 8 February. The Committee held 16 meetings.

36. The session was opened by Ms. Marion Barthelemy, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development (OISC) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

37. At the 1st meeting, on 21 January, Vice-Chair of the Committee, Nadav Yesod (Israel), made a statement, followed by an introductory statement by the Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development (OISC) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

38. The representative of the United States made a general statement expressing support for the participation of civil society in the work of the United Nations. She welcomed the successful consultations held between the Committee and NGOs in consultative status on 22 June 2018 and urged the Committee to make them part of its regular practice by holding them before each session in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31. She stated that the continuing increase in the number of organizations applying for consultative status was an indication of the significance and impact of consultative status for NGOs. She urged the Committee to review and accredit as many qualified NGOs as possible and to apply strict time limits to ensure that all applications were considered.

39. The representative of Brazil noted that the Committee on NGOs was a fundamental tool in the dialogue and cooperation between the United Nations system and civil society. He noted that since 1946, the Committee had contributed to making the international order more inclusive and diverse while at the same time reaffirming the principles enshrined in the United Nations Charter. He reaffirmed his delegation’s support to ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 noting that it enables the participation of civil society in the work of the UN. He expressed confidence that the principles of sovereign equality, civil society participation and respect for rules and procedures would guide the mandate and work of the Committee.

40. The Observer for the European Union expressed support for the effective, fair and transparent functioning of the Committee and welcomed efforts made to enhance the Committee's engagement with civil society, notably the consultations with NGOs in consultative status held by the Committee on 22 June 2018. He noted that the active engagement of NGOs in the consultations had yielded valuable recommendations that would ensure that civil society voices are heard in the United Nations. He further
noted that although the consultations had highlighted positive progress in the participation of NGOs in the UN and in the application processes, they had also raised several concerns regarding the transparency, objectivity and efficiency of the Committee’s accreditation processes, notably repetitive questioning and delays to applications, disproportionately affecting NGOs working on specific sensitive human rights concerns. He highlighted some issues stressed by NGOs including the importance of developing clear guidelines for the assessment of applications and the need to ensure that all allegations against NGOs were shared with the concerned organizations in sufficient time to allow them a reasonable opportunity to respond. He encouraged the Committee to consider the valuable recommendations made during the consultation process and called for sustained engagement with civil society on the issues raised with a view to enhancing confidence in the Committee’s proceedings.

41. The Observer for the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland highlighted the critical role of non-governmental organizations in encouraging the free exchange of ideas and promoting accountability. He emphasized the importance of ensuring that civil society organizations operate effectively without impediments to their work or outreach to communities and expressed concern that several States had introduced legislation to restrict their work. He urged governments to allow civil society the space to engage without fear of reprisal. He welcomed the consultations held by the Committee with NGOs in consultative status on 22 June 2018 and urged that the key recommendations made during the consultations be used to inform the work of the Committee. He encouraged the Committee to hold further consultations and to provide an update on the follow-up action taken on the recommendations made. He stressed that the Committee had a vital role in ensuring that NGOs contribute to UN decision making and appealed to the Committee to deal with NGO applications that have languished before it in a fair and transparent way. He expressed concern regarding attacks on media freedom and urged that steps be taken to tackle the challenges facing journalists and media workers including by ensuring that civil society organizations working on media freedom can engage with the UN.

42. The Observer for Uruguay noted the critical role of the Committee in facilitating the participation of non-governmental organizations in the work of the United Nations. She stated that non-governmental organizations contribute diverse and valuable perspectives on key issues and are therefore indispensable partners in strengthening peace, human rights, security and in supporting the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development. She noted that the continuing increase in the number of non-governmental organizations applications for consultative status is an indication of the high expectations of civil society organizations towards the process and a challenge for the Committee to meet this growing demand. She welcomed recent efforts made to improve the working methods of the Committee notably the webcasting of its meetings and the inaugural consultations held with NGOs in consultative status on 22nd June 2018. She suggested that the Committee explore practical measures to further improve its working methods by for example, simplifying the application form and setting time limits for member states in the review of applications. She encouraged the Committee to continue its efforts to ensure that its role as an intermediary between civil society and the United Nations system is implemented in an effective and non-political manner.

43. The Observer for Austria expressed his delegation’s willingness to support the Committee in strengthening the implementation of ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 and in ensuring fair and timely access of NGOs to the United Nations. He welcomed the
consultations held with NGOs in consultative status in June 2018 and looked forward to the Committee’s follow-up on the concerns and proposals raised during the consultations.

B. Attendance

44. The session was attended by all 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.2/2019/INF/1.

45. At its 2019 regular session, the Committee heard 16 representatives of 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

46. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee elected Nadav Yesod (Israel) as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

47. At its 12th meeting, on 28 January, the Committee elected Mohamed Sallam (the Sudan), as Chair of the Committee.

D. Agenda

49. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January 2019, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2019 session, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/1. The agenda reads 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 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 2020 session of the Committee.

10. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2019 session.

VIII. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2019 regular session

49. At its 15th meeting, on 30 January 2019, the Committee took note of the draft report 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.

50. At its 16th meeting, on 8 February 2019, the Committee adopted the present report.
ANNEX

UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS
NEW YORK

The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the UN Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO Committee) and has the honor to call the Chair's attention to the China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC), an NGO with special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. The United States Mission to the United Nations requests that the NGO Committee recommend withdrawal of CEFC's consultative status during its regular session in January 2019, in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31.

In its application for ECOSOC consultative status, CEFC describes itself as a non-governmental, nonprofit organization. CEFC is registered in both Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China) and Virginia, USA, and is funded by CEFC China Energy Company Limited, a Chinese energy conglomerate based in Shanghai. CEFC received ECOSOC special consultative status in 2011.

On December 5, 2018, a jury in a Manhattan federal court found Chi Ping Patrick Ho — CEFC's Deputy Chairman and Secretary General — guilty of taking part in a multi-year, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe foreign leaders in Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for the Chinese energy conglomerate CEFC China Energy Company Limited. Ho was convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, international money laundering, and conspiracy to commit both. Ho utilized CEFC's ECOSOC special consultative status to access UN resources and people and advance commercial goals, including through bribery schemes. Enclosed is the Press Release from the U.S. Department of Justice on the conviction.

ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 governs the process for ECOSOC consultative status. Article 57(a) of 1996/31 stipulates that the consultative status of non-governmental organizations 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."

Article 57(b) of 1996/31 further stipulates that consultative status be suspended up to three years or withdrawn “If there exists substantiated evidence of influence from proceeds resulting from internationally recognized criminal activities such as the illicit drugs trade, money-laundering or the illegal arm trade."

Mr. Jorge Dotta
Chair of the United Nations Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations,
New York, New York
DIPLOMATIC NOTE

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    Department of Economic and Social Affairs
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Given the conviction of CEFC leader Chi Ping Patrick Ho on money laundering charges and the use of the organization for criminal activity, the United States Mission to the United Nations requests that the NGO Committee recommend withdrawal of CEFC's consultative status, in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31.

The United States Mission to the United Nations kindly asks that this Diplomatic Note be made available to all members of the NGO Committee for their careful consideration.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Chair and Members of the NGO Committee the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosure: As stated
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Patrick Ho, Former Head Of Organization Backed By Chinese Energy Conglomerate, Convicted Of International Bribery, Money Laundering Offenses

Ho Schemed to Bribe the President of Chad, President and Foreign Minister of Uganda

Geoffrey S. Berman, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and Assistant Attorney General Brian A. Benczkowski of the Justice Department’s Criminal Division announced that CHI PING PATRICK HO, a/k/a “Patrick C.P. Ho,” a/k/a “He Zhiping,” was found guilty today after a jury trial before U.S. District Judge Loretta A. Preska of participating in a multi-year, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe top officials of Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for CEFC China Energy Limited (“CEFC China”). HO was convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (“FCPA”), international money laundering, and conspiracy to commit both. HO is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Preska on March 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

Manhattan U.S. Attorney Geoffrey S. Berman said: “Patrick Ho now stands convicted of scheming to pay millions in bribes to foreign leaders in Chad and Uganda, all as part of his efforts to corruptly secure unfair business advantages for a multibillion-dollar Chinese energy company. As the jury's verdict makes clear, Ho's repeated attempts to corrupt foreign leaders were not business as usual, but criminal efforts to undermine the fairness of international markets and erode the public's faith in its leaders.”

Assistant Attorney General Brian A. Benczkowski: “Patrick Ho paid millions of dollars in bribes to the leaders of two African countries to secure contracts for a Chinese conglomerate. Today's trial conviction demonstrates the Criminal Division's commitment to prosecuting those who seek to utilize our financial system to secure unfair competition advantages through corruption and bribery.”

According to the Indictment, evidence presented at trial, and other public proceedings in the case:

Overview
HO was involved in two bribery schemes to pay top officials of Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for CEFC China, a Shanghai-based multibillion-dollar conglomerate that operates internationally in multiple sectors, including oil, gas, and banking. At the center of both schemes was HO, the head of a non-governmental organization based in Hong Kong and Arlington, Virginia, the China Energy Fund Committee (the “CEFC NGO”), which held "Special Consultative Status" with the United Nations ("UN") Economic and Social Council. CEFC NGO was funded by CEFC China.

In the first scheme (the “Chad Scheme”), HO, on behalf of CEFC China, offered a $2 million cash bribe, hidden within gift boxes, to Idriss Déby, the President of Chad, in an effort to obtain valuable oil rights from the Chadian government. In the second scheme (the “Uganda Scheme”), HO caused a $500,000 bribe to be paid, via wires transmitted through New York, New York, to an account designated by Sam Kutesa, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uganda, who had recently completed his term as the President of the UN General Assembly. HO also schemed to pay a $500,000 cash bribe to Yoweri Museveni, the President of Uganda, and offered to provide both Kutesa and Museveni with additional corrupt benefits by "partnering" with them in future joint ventures in Uganda.

The Chad Scheme

The Chad Scheme began in or about September 2014 when HO flew into New York, New York to attend the annual UN General Assembly. At that time, CEFC China was working to expand its operations to Chad and wanted to meet with President Déby as quickly as possible. Through a connection, HO was introduced to Cheikh Gadio, the former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Senegal, who had a personal relationship with President Déby. HO and Gadio met at CEFC China’s suite at Trump World Tower in midtown Manhattan, where HO enlisted Gadio to assist CEFC China in obtaining access to President Déby.

Gadio connected HO and CEFC China to President Déby. In an initial meeting in Chad in November 2014, President Déby described to HO and CEFC China executives certain lucrative oil rights that were available for CEFC China to acquire. Following that meeting, Gadio advised HO and CEFC China to send a technical team to Chad to investigate the oil rights and make an offer to President Déby. Instead, HO insisted on a prompt second meeting with the President. The second meeting took place a few weeks later, in December 2014. HO led a CEFC China delegation, which flew into Chad on a corporate jet with $2 million cash concealed within several gift boxes. At the conclusion of a business meeting with President Déby, HO and the CEFC China executives presented President Déby with the gift boxes.

To the surprise of HO and the CEFC China executives, President Déby rejected the $2 million bribe offer. HO subsequently drafted a letter to President Déby claiming that the cash had been intended as a donation to Chad. Ultimately, HO and CEFC China did not obtain the unfair advantage that they had sought through the bribe offer, and by mid-2015, HO had turned his attention to a different “gateway to Africa”: Uganda.
The Uganda Scheme

The Uganda Scheme began around the same time as the Chad Scheme, when HO was in New York, New York for the annual UN General Assembly. HO met with Sam Kutesa, who had recently begun his term as the 69th President of the UN General Assembly (“PGA”). HO, purporting to act on behalf of CEFC NGO, met with Kutesa and began to cultivate a relationship with him. During the year that Kutesa served as PGA, HO and Kutesa discussed a “strategic partnership” between Uganda and CEFC China for various business ventures, to be formed once Kutesa completed his term as PGA and returned to Uganda.

In or about February 2016 — after Kutesa had returned to Uganda and resumed his role as Foreign Minister, and Museveni (Kutesa's relative) had been reelected as the President of Uganda - Kutesa solicited a payment from HO, purportedly for a charitable foundation that Kutesa wished to launch. HQ agreed to provide the requested payment, but simultaneously requested, on behalf of CEFC China, an invitation to Museveni's inauguration, business meetings with President Museveni and other high-level Ugandan officials, and a list of specific business projects in Uganda that CEFC China could participate in.

In May 2016, HO and CEFC China executives traveled to Uganda. Prior to departing, HO caused the CEFC NGO to wire $500,000 to the account provided by Kutesa in the name of the so-called “foundation,” which wire was transmitted through banks in New York, New York. HO also advised his boss, the Chairman of CEFC China, to provide $500,000 in cash to President Museveni, ostensibly as a campaign donation, even though Museveni had already been reelected. HO intended these payments as bribes to influence Kutesa and Museveni to use their official power to steer business advantages to CEFC China.

HO and CEFC China executives attended President Museveni's inauguration and obtained business meetings in Uganda with President Museveni and top Ugandan officials, including at the Department of Energy and Mineral Resources. After the trip, HO requested that Kutesa and Museveni assist CEFC China in acquiring a Ugandan bank, as an initial step before pursuing additional ventures in Uganda. HO also explicitly offered to “partner” with Kutesa and Museveni and/or their "family businesses," making clear that both officials would share in CEFC China's future profits. In exchange for the bribes offered and paid by HO, Kutesa thereafter steered a bank acquisition opportunity to CEFC China.

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HO, 69, of Hong Kong, China, was convicted of one count of conspiring to violate the FCPA, four counts of violating the FCPA, one count of conspiring to commit international money laundering, and one count of committing international money laundering. The maximum penalties for these charges are as follows: five years in prison for conspiring to violate the FCPA; five years in prison for each
violation of the FCPA; 20 years in prison for conspiring to commit international money laundering; and 20 years in prison for committing international money laundering. HO was acquitted of one count of international money laundering.

The maximum potential sentences in this case are prescribed by Congress and are provided here for informational purposes only, as the sentencing of HO will be determined by the judge.

Mr. Berman praised the outstanding work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation. He also thanked the Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations, and the Department of Justice, Criminal Division's Office of International Affairs.

This case is being prosecuted by the Office's Public Corruption Unit and the Criminal Division's Fraud Section, FCPA Unit. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Douglas S. Zolkind, Daniel C. Richenthal, and Catherine E. Ghosh, and Trial Attorney Paul A. Hayden of the Fraud Section, are in charge of the prosecution.

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