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### Non-governmental organizations

## Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 resumed session

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### *Summary*

At its 2012 resumed session, held from 21 to 30 May and on 8 June 2012, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 281 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 129 for consultative status, deferred 130 for further consideration at its regular session in 2013, and closed consideration without prejudice of 22 applications that had failed to respond to three reminders over two consecutive sessions. The Committee also had before it five requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting one of those requests. The Committee took note of all seven requests for change of name. It also had before it 172 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 151. The Committee heard 6 representatives of the 54 non-governmental organizations that attended the session.

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

By draft decision I, the Council would:

- (a) Grant consultative status to 129 non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Reclassify the consultative status of one non-governmental organization;

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

(d) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 151 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;

(e) Close without prejudice consideration of the request for consultative status made by 22 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions.

By draft decision II, the Council would decide to withdraw the status of the non-governmental organization Interfaith International.

By draft decision III, the Council would suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 202 organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision IV, the Council would decide to reinstate the consultative status of 27 organizations that had submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision V, the Council would decide to withdraw the consultative status of 75 organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision VI, the Council would take note of the withdrawal of consultative status requested by two non-governmental organizations.

By draft decision VII, the Council would approve the provisional agenda for the 2013 session of the Committee.

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

By taking note of the present report, the Council takes note of the statement by the Chair of the Committee on the reinstatement of status of the non-governmental organization Centre Europe-tiers monde.

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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 129 non-governmental organizations:

#### *Special consultative status*

A la Vista! Communication Sociale  
 Abiodun Adebayo Welfare Foundation  
 ACT Alliance — Action by Churches Together  
 Afghan Poverty Relief  
 AIDS Healthcare Foundation  
 All India Christian Council  
 Alliance for Africa  
 Alzheimer's Disease International — International Federation of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Societies  
 Apne Aap Women Worldwide (India) Trust  
 Architects for Peace  
 Asabe Shehu Yar'Adua Foundation  
 Asociación para el Desarrollo "Foro Rural Mundial"  
 Association for Social and Environmental Development  
 Association of the Indigenous Peoples in the Ryukyus  
 Autism Speaks  
 Autonomous Women's Center  
 Beit Issie Shapiro — Amutat Avi  
 Bridges of Hope Project  
 British Overseas NGOs for Development  
 Center for International Human Rights  
 Central British Fund for World Jewish Relief

Centro UNESCO di Firenze  
Children of Peru Foundation  
Climate Action Network Association  
Concordis International Trust  
Conseil des jeunes congolais de l'étranger  
Corporación Excelencia en la Justicia  
Corporación para la Investigación, el Desarrollo Sostenible y la Promoción Social  
Cubrait  
Deutsche Model United Nations  
Doctors Worldwide  
Eagle Eyes Association for Afghan Displaced Youth  
Earth Child Institute  
Ecoagriculture International  
Edmund Rice International  
Education For Employment Foundation  
Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation  
Federación de Mujeres Progresistas  
Federación Española de Mujeres Directivas Ejecutivas Profesionales y Empresarias  
Fondation pour l'étude des relations internationales et du développement  
Fondation Yves Rocher  
Fondazione Don Carlo Gnocchi  
Food and Water Watch  
Forest Stewardship Council  
Foundation for GAIA  
Foundation for Global Sports Development  
France terre d'asile  
Global Hope Network International  
Globethics.net Foundation  
Grassroots Leadership  
Hindu Council of New Zealand  
Human Rights Association for Community Development in Assiut  
Human Rights Now

ICT for Peace Foundation  
Initiative for Environment, Health and Social Development  
Institute of Asian Culture and Development  
International AIDS Society  
International Circle of Faith Chaplaincy Corps  
International Council on Clean Transportation  
International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations  
International Human Rights and Anti-Corruption Society  
International Legal Foundation  
International Organization for Victim Assistance  
International Partners in Mission  
International Risk Governance Council  
International Senior Lawyers Project  
Islands First  
Japan Council against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs (Gensuikyo)  
Japanese Association for the Right to Freedom of Speech  
KARP  
Kejibaus  
Kerman Raad  
Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation  
Krityanand UNESCO Club Jamshedpur  
Land is Life  
Mali Rising Foundation  
Manavata  
Movement for the Protection of the African Child  
Mundo sin Guerras  
National Engineers Week Foundation  
National Forum “Alternatives, Practice, Initiatives”  
Noble Institution for Environmental Peace  
Oidhaco, Bureau international des droits humains — action colombie  
Organisation technique européenne du pneumatique et de la jante  
Pacific Disability Forum  
Peace Operation Training Institute  
Peacemaker Corps Foundation

Plataforma Portuguesa para os Direitos das Mulheres  
Population Connection  
Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  
Promocom  
Quaker Earthcare Witness  
Rainforest Partnership  
Restless Development  
Restoration and Healing  
Rural Development Organization  
Rural Women Empowerment and Life Improvement Association  
Sakyadhita  
Scalabrini International Migration Network  
Scottish Association for Mental Health  
Sigma Theta Tau, National Honorary Society of Nursing  
Singapore Institute of International Affairs  
Sir William Beveridge Foundation  
Somali Women Civil War Survivors  
Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council  
Stichting Foundation Management EEAC  
Stichting Global Reporting Initiative  
Stichting Spanda  
Stiftung Brot fuer Alle  
Swisscontact, Schweizerische Stiftung für technische Entwicklungszusammenarbeit  
Tabitha Cumi Foundation  
U.S. Green Building Council  
Unnayan Onneshan  
UPR Info  
US Human Rights Network  
VDE Prüf und Zertifizierungsinstitut  
Vienna Economic Forum  
Wahine Maori Queensland  
Women and Children First UK  
Women Deliver



Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights  
 World Habitat Foundation  
 World Hunger Education Service  
 World Space Week Association  
 World Welfare Association  
 Worldwide Palliative Care Alliance  
 Young Men's Hebrew Association of the City of New York

*Roster*

Hands of Love Group System  
 Widows for Peace Through Democracy

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

Family Health International

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

Aid the Children Network (Special 2011) to International Institute for Child Protection

International Association of Mayors of Northern Cities (Roster 1997) to World Winter Cities Association for Mayors

International Catholic Union of the Press (Special 1951) to International Catholics Organisation of the Media

International Iron and Steel Institute (Roster 1978) to World Steel Association

Isfahan Minority Rights and Development (Special 2011) to Isfahan Human Rights and Development Organization

RICS Foundation (Special 2003) to Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Sudan Association for Combating Landmines (Special 2007) to JASMAR Human Security Organization

(d) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 151 non-governmental organizations:<sup>1</sup>

Association marocaine pour la promotion de la femme rurale (2006-2009)

AARP

Action Health Incorporated

African Association of Education for Development

Agencia Latinoamericana de Información (2006-2009)

<sup>1</sup> The reports listed are for the period 2007-2010, with the exception of 30 organizations that reported on other periods, as indicated in the list with the dates in parentheses.

American Conservative Union  
Amicale marocaine des handicapés  
Asia Pacific Women's Watch  
Asian Non-Governmental Organizations Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development  
Asian Women's Human Rights Council  
Asociación Cubana de las Naciones Unidas  
Associação Nacional das Empresarias  
Association d'aide aux enfants cancéreux  
Association internationale des régions francophones  
Association marocaine des droits humains  
Azerbaijan Women and Development Centre (2006-2009)  
Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women (2006-2009)  
Caribbean Medical Association  
Centre féminin pour la promotion du développement (2006-2009)  
Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development (India)  
Centro de Estudios Sobre la Juventud  
Citizens' Rights Protection Society  
Civil Resource Development and Documentation Centre  
Comité national d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme (2006-2009)  
Commission africaine des promoteurs de la santé et des droits de l'homme  
Commission nationale des femmes travailleuses de Guinée  
Community-Based Rehabilitation Network (South Asia)  
Concern Worldwide US  
Confederación Latinoamericana de Cooperativas de Ahorro y Crédito  
Conseil international du sport militaire  
Coordination immigrés du sud du monde  
Credo-Action  
DEVNET Association  
Du pain pour chaque enfant  
Economists for Peace and Security  
Environmental Women's Assembly  
Espace Afrique International  
Euromontana

European Centre for Law and Justice  
European Union of Women (2006-2009)  
EUROSOLAR Turkey (2006-2009)  
Family Welfare Foundation of India  
Federal Union of European Nationalities  
Federation for Women and Family Planning  
Federation of Associations of Former International Civil Servants  
Focus on the Family (Canada) Association  
Forum pour l'intégration des migrants (2006-2009)  
Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action Aboriginal Corporation  
Freedom House (2003-2006)  
Fundación Diagrama — Intervención Psicosocial  
Global Housing Foundation (2006-2009)  
Groupement d'appui aux initiatives économiques des femmes  
Handicap International  
Hawa Society for Women (2006-2009)  
HelpAge International  
Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights  
Howard Center for Family, Religion and Society  
Human Rights Council of Australia  
Indian Association of Parliamentarians on Population and Development  
Indigenous and Peasant Coordinator of Communal Agroforestry  
Indigenous People of Africa Coordinating Committee (2006-2009)  
Innu Council of Nitassinan (2005-2008)  
Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development  
(2006-2009)  
International Association Against Torture  
International Association for Women's Mental Health (2006-2009)  
International Association of Peace Foundations  
International Black Women for Wages for Housework  
International Bureau for Children's Rights  
International Commission for Distance Education  
International Council on Human Rights Policy  
International Federation for Hydrocephalus and Spina Bifida

International Federation of Medical Students' Associations  
International Federation of Training and Development Organizations  
(2006-2009)  
International Forestry Students Association (2006-2009)  
International Institute for the Rights of the Child  
International Institute of Humanitarian Law  
International Multiracial Shared Cultural Organization  
International Muslim Women's Union  
International Network for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises  
International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association  
International Rescue Committee  
International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade  
International Union of Latin Notariat  
Inter-Press Service International Association  
Islamic Human Rights Commission  
José Martí Cultural Society (2006-2009)  
Katimavik  
Kongres Wanita Indonesia (2006-2009)  
Leadership for Environment and Development (2006-2009)  
Leonard Cheshire Disability (2006-2009)  
Ligue internationale contre le racisme et l'antisémitisme  
Local Initiatives Program  
Madre  
Mamta: Health Institute for Mother and Child (2006-2009)  
Mandat International  
Marmara Group Strategic and Social Research Foundation (2006-2009)  
Mercy Corps International (2006-2009)  
Millennium Institute  
Mumbai Educational Trust  
National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
(2006-2009)  
National Children's and Youth Law Centre  
National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund  
Network Movement for Justice and Development

New Seminary  
Non-Aligned Students and Youth Organization  
Non-Governmental Ecological Vernadsky Foundation  
Nord-Sud XXI  
Norwegian Forum for Environment and Development  
Order of St. John  
Organisation internationale pour la réduction des catastrophes (2006-2009)  
Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement International  
Organization of Islamic Capitals and Cities  
Oxfam Novib  
Palakkad District Consumers Association  
Pan Pacific and South-East Asia Women's Association of Thailand  
Pathfinder International  
Peace Action  
Prison Fellowship International  
Pro Dignitate Foundation of Human Rights (2006-2009)  
PROSALIS: Projecto de Saude em Lisboa  
Public International Law and Policy Group  
Red Venezolana de Organizaciones para el Desarrollo Social  
Rencontre africaine pour la défense des droits de l'homme  
Reseaux I.P européens Network Coordination Centre  
Resources for the Future  
Rural Women Environmental Protection Association  
Samuhik Abhiyan  
Society for the Protection of Unborn Children  
Society for Upliftment of Masses  
SOS Kinderdorf International  
Sri Lanka Anti Narcotics Association  
Sudan Association for Combating Landmines  
Thakur Hari Prasad Institute of Research and Rehabilitation for the Mentally Handicapped  
Traditions pour demain (2006-2009)  
Transform Drug Policy Foundation  
Transnational Radical Party

UDISHA

Unión de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba (2006-2009)

Union nationale des femmes marocaines

Union of Social Child Care

United Towns Agency for North-South Cooperation

Viet Nam Family Planning Association

Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry

World Association of Children's Friends

World Conference of Religions for Peace

World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women

World Federation of United Nations Associations

World Organization of Building Officials

World Society for the Protection of Animals

World Society of Victimology

Yayasan Cinta Anak Bangsa

(e) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 22 non-governmental organizations after those organizations had failed, after three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed to them by the Committee:

AIDS Accountability International

Asia Journalist Association

Cambodian League for the Promotion and Defense of Human Rights

Canterio International for Sustainable Development

Catholic Fund for Overseas Development

Egyptian Association for Dissemination and Development of Legal Awareness

Fahamu Trust

GAIN International

ImageMagica

Indira Gandhi National Foundation

International Covenant for the Protection of Journalists

International public organization "Sovereign Knightly Order of Christ the Savior"

JustWorld International

Kazakhstan Criminological Association

Management Sciences for Health

Maria and Liberdade Foundation  
Mines Action Canada  
Northern Alberta Alliance on Race Relations Society  
Royal Society of Chemistry  
SKG Sangha  
Trustees of Boston University  
United Planet Corporation

**Draft decision II**  
**Withdrawal of consultative status of the non-governmental organization**  
**Interfaith International**

The Economic and Social Council decides to withdraw consultative status of the non-governmental organization Interfaith International.

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

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2012 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation and had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2012, and that it had notified the permanent missions of the Member States in which the headquarters of such organizations are based of the final reminders, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, to suspend immediately, for a period of one year, the consultative status of the 202 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of their suspension.

A Child Is Missing  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission  
Abraham Fund Initiatives  
Action pour le développement de l'Afrique à la base  
Afghan Development Association  
Africa and Middle East Refugee Assistance  
African American Institute  
African Center Foundation  
African Development Institute  
African Refugees Foundation

African Society of International and Comparative Law  
Agermanament sense fronteres  
Agir pour les femmes en situation précaire  
AIDS Action  
Akina Mama Wa Afrika  
Alliance Niger-Nature  
American Correctional Association  
American Indian Law Alliance  
Andean Commission of Jurists  
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation  
Arab Council for Childhood and Development  
Asian Women's Conference Network  
Association algérienne d'alphabétisation  
Association de défense des Tunisiens à l'étranger  
Association de sauvegarde des monuments et sites  
Association des volontaires pour l'assistance au développement en Guinée  
Association féminine Tunisie 21  
Association for Social Advancement  
Association for Solidarity with Freedom-Deprived Juveniles  
Association for the Advancement of Education  
Association for the Advancement of Psychological Understanding of Human Nature  
Association for the Protection of the Environment  
Association nationale de soutien aux enfants en difficulté et en institution  
Association of Arab-American University Graduates  
Association of Garbage Collectors for Community Development  
Association of Support to HIV-Infected and Affected Children and Their Families  
Association pour la taxation des transactions financières pour l'aide aux citoyens  
Association pour le développement harmonieux de la mère et de l'enfant du Cameroun  
Association tunisienne des villages d'enfants SOS  
Australian Council for International Development  
Bangladesh Scholarship Council



Befrienders International  
Black Sea University Foundation  
Center for Alcohol and Drug Research and Education  
Center For Democratic Renewal  
Center for Human Rights and Environment  
Centre d'étude et de recherche pour l'intégration régionale et le développement de l'Afrique  
Centre of Economic and Social Studies of the Third World  
Cercle des amis de la forêt pour le 21e siècle  
CHANGE  
Civic Education Project  
Coalition for Community Participation in Governance  
Coalition gaie et lesbienne du Québec  
College Art Association  
Colombian Confederation of NGOs  
Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos "Capaj"  
Comité international des femmes africaines pour le développement  
Commission for the Defense of Human Rights in Central America  
Congo-Watch  
Cooperative Housing Foundation  
Coordinating Body of the Indigenous Organizations in the Amazon Basin  
Coordination des associations et ONG féminines du Mali  
Cousteau Society  
Croissant rouge algérien  
Data for Development  
December 18 vzw  
Education pour la population et la vie familiale  
Egyptian Center for Women's Rights  
Ethiopian Youth League  
Europe 2000  
European League for Economic Cooperation  
European-Asian-Latin American Institute for Cooperation  
Family of the Americas

Family Planning Association of Turkey  
Family Planning Movement “Vrancea”  
Federación Española de Asociaciones Pro Vida  
Fédération de Tunis de solidarité sociale  
Fédération des associations des handicapés moteurs  
Federation of Muslim Women’s Associations in Nigeria  
Femme Avenir  
FEMVISION  
Fondation Guilé  
Fondation internationale carrefour  
Fondation Nicolas Hulot pour la nature et l’homme  
Four Directions Council  
François-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights  
Fundacién Sales  
Global Alliance for TB Drug Development  
Global Fund for Women  
Global Metro City: The Glocal Forum  
Globe International  
Globe Japan  
Globetree  
Goodwill Industries International  
Green Earth Organization  
Group for Study and Research on Democracy and Economic and Social  
Development in Africa  
Habitat for Humanity International  
Human Relief Foundation  
Human Rights Internet  
Indian Muslim Federation (United Kingdom)  
Institut du développement durable et des relations internationales  
Inter-American Federation of Touring and Automobile Clubs  
International Alert  
International Association of Soldiers for Peace  
International Centre of Sociological, Penal and Penitentiary Research and  
Studies

International Corrections and Prisons Association for the Advancement of Professional Corrections

International Council on Mining and Metals

International Family Therapy Association

International Federation of Agricultural Producers

International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers

International Federation of Persons with Physical Disability

International Federation of the Little Brothers of the Poor

International Harm Reduction Association

International Longevity Center

International Medical Corps

International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse

International Prison Watch

International Self-Reliance Agency for Women

International Union of Public Transport

International Union of Students

International Young Christian Workers

Islamic Heritage Society

Information Society of Ukraine

Japan Fellowship of Reconciliation

Karnataka Manava Vikas Sangha (Human Resources Development Organization)

Keystone Center

Latin American Association of Development Financing Institutions

Latin American Human Rights Association

Liberty International

Life Education Center (US)

Little House of Nazareth

Local Government International Bureau

Lutte contre les violences faites aux femmes et enfants mineurs

Malaysian Medical Relief Society

MED Forum

Microteam Éducation, apprentissage et nouvelles technologies

Mouvement “ni putes ni soumises”

Nadi Al Bassar  
National Alliance of Women's Organizations  
National Bar Association  
National Safety Council  
National Union of Ghana Students  
National Union of the Association of Protection of Motherhood, Childhood and Families  
National Women's Political Caucus  
Nigerian Centre for Research and Documentation  
Nigerian Environmental Society  
Norwegian Federation of Organizations of Disabled People  
Oasis Open City Foundation  
Organisation de la mère maghrébine  
Organisation nationale de l'enfance tunisienne  
Organization of African Trade Union Unity  
Pacific Concerns Resource Centre  
People to People International  
People's Forum 2001 (Japan)  
PEW Institute for Ocean Science  
Planetary Society  
ProChoix  
Program Coordination for Integrated Health  
Programme insertion des enfants déshérités  
Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs  
Religious Consultation on Population, Reproductive Health and Ethics  
Research Action and Information Network for Bodily Integrity of Women  
Rigoberta Menchu Tum Foundation  
S.O.S. femmes en détresse  
Salubrité, propreté, hygiène et techniques d'assainissement  
Samaritan Community Center  
Secours populaire libanais  
Service Peace and Justice in Latin America  
Société tunisienne des sciences médicales  
Society for Women and AIDS in Africa

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Solidarité africaine pour la préservation de la paix et de l'environnement en république centrafricaine  
SOS Drugs International  
South American Commission for Peace, Regional Security and Democracy  
South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre  
Union de l'action féminine  
Union interafricaine des droits de l'homme  
University of Missouri Kansas City Women's Council  
Victim Support Europe  
Vridhhi  
Vrouwen Alliantie  
Wales Assembly of Women  
Widows and Orphans Welfare Society of Kenya  
Woïyo Kondeye  
Women Justice Program  
Women Trafficking and Child Labour Eradication Foundation  
Women, Law and Development International  
Women's Action Group  
Women's Commission Research and Education Fund  
Women's Coordinating Committee for the Gulf and Arabian Peninsula  
Women's World Organization for Rights, Literature and Development  
World Confederation of Labour  
World Council for Psychotherapy  
World Economic Forum  
World Futures Studies Federation  
World Population Society  
World Rehabilitation Fund  
World University Service  
World Women's Christian Temperance Union  
WorldSpace Foundation  
Worldview International Foundation  
WorldWIDE Network Nigeria: Women in Development and Environment  
Youth Awareness Environmental Forum

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

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2011/230 of 25 July 2011, to reinstate the consultative status of the 27 non-governmental organizations listed below, which have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports for the 2006-2009 reporting period:

Agencia Latinoamericana de Información  
Association marocaine pour la promotion de la femme rurale  
Azerbaijan Women and Development Center  
Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women  
Centre féminin pour la promotion du développement  
Comité national d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme  
European Union of Women  
Forum pour l'intégration des migrants  
EUROSOLAR Turkey  
Global Housing Foundation  
Hawa Society for Women  
Indigenous People of Africa Coordinating Committee  
Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development  
International Association for Women's Mental Health  
International Federation of Training and Development Organisations  
International Forestry Students Association  
José Martí Cultural Society  
Kongres Wanita Indonesia  
LEAD International  
Leonard Cheshire Disability  
MAMTA Health Institute for Mother and Child  
Marmara Group Strategic and Social Research Foundation  
Mercy Corps  
National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
Organisation internationale pour la réduction des catastrophes  
Pro Dignitate Foundation of Human Rights  
Traditions pour demain

**Draft decision V**  
**Withdrawal of consultative status of non-governmental organizations in accordance with Council resolution 2008/4**

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2012 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation, whose status was suspended by Economic and Social Council decision 2011/230 of 25 July 2011, that it had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2012, and that it had notified the permanent missions of the Member States in which the headquarters of such organizations are based of the final reminders, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2011/230 of 25 July 2011, to withdraw immediately the consultative status of the 75 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of this decision.

A Woman's Voice International  
 Action for Integrated Rural and Tribal Development Social Service Society  
 Advisory Commission of the Evangelical Church in Germany  
 Advisory Committee for the Protection of the Sea  
 Africa Infrastructures Foundation  
 Africa Legal Aid  
 Africa Muslims Agency  
 AIDS Alliance in Nigeria  
 All Africa Farmers Network  
 American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
 American Society of Criminology  
 Argentine Association of International Law  
 Asociación Conciencia  
 Assistance pédagogique internationale  
 Association algérienne de solidarité aux malades respiratoires  
 Association d'assistance aux grands handicapés à domicile  
 Association des études internationales  
 Association des parlementaires tunisiens  
 Association européenne contre les violences faites aux femmes au travail  
 Association femmes, enfants et développement  
 Association internationale des mouvements familiaux de formation rurale  
 Association marocaine d'aide à l'enfant et à la famille

Association marocaine d'appui à la promotion de la petite entreprise  
Association marocaine de planification familiale  
Association marocaine de solidarité et de développement  
Association marocaine de soutien et d'aide aux handicapés mentaux  
Association mauritanienne pour le bien-être et le secours de l'enfant et de la mère  
Association of Language Testers in Europe  
Association pour la défense des droits de la femme et de l'enfant  
Canada Family Action Coalition  
Catholic Relief Services (United States Catholic Conference)  
Center for Policy Alternatives  
Center for Strategic Research and Development of Georgia  
Centre d'études pour réaliser l'espoir de l'enfant du désert  
Cercle de l'auto-promotion et de l'excellence  
Chinese Women's Association of America  
Cohort for Research on Environment, Urban Management and Human Settlements  
Coordination des ONG féminines gabonaises  
Counterpart International  
Croatian World Congress  
Deutsche Welthungerhilfe  
Drug Watch International  
Eagle Forum  
Femmes actives et foyer  
Foster Care Organization International  
Foundation for Democracy in Africa  
Gaia Mater  
Group 484  
Indian Society of Agribusiness Professionals  
International Club for Peace Research  
International College of Surgeons  
International Education for Peace Institute  
International Organization for Peace, Care and Relief  
International Possibilities Unlimited  
International Women Count Network



Korean Progressive Network – Jinbonet  
 La Morada  
 Maxim Institute  
 Mercury Institute  
 Mouvement international pour le loisir scientifique et technique  
 National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws  
 Network of Ugandan Researchers and Research Users  
 Observatoire national des droits de l'enfant  
 Open Family Australia  
 Organisation tunisienne de jeunes médecins sans frontières  
 PRIDE Youth Programs  
 Pro femmes/Twese Hamwe  
 Rede de informações para o terceiro setor  
 Réseau d'information des aînées et aînés du Québec  
 Society for Initiatives in Rural Development and Environmental Protection  
 Society of Automotive Engineers  
 Union pour la promotion de la femme nigérienne  
 United World Colleges  
 World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters  
 World Children's Relief and Volunteer Organization

#### **Draft decision VI**

##### **Requests for withdrawal of consultative status**

The Economic and Social Council decides to take note of two requests for withdrawal of consultative status requested by the following non-governmental organizations:

International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development  
 South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre

#### **Draft decision VII**

##### **Dates of and provisional agenda for the 2013 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

The Economic and Social Council:

(a) Decides that the 2013 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 21 to 30 January, and on 8 February 2013, and its resumed session from 20 to 30 May and on 7 June 2013;

(b) Approves the provisional agenda for the 2013 session of the Committee as set out below.

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
  - (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
  - (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
  - (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
  - (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
  - (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.
5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations 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.
8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.
9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2014 session of the Committee.
10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

**Draft decision VIII**  
**Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 resumed session**

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 resumed session.

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

1. The Committee considered item 3 (a) and (b) of its agenda, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, and New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 18th through 31st meetings, held from 21 to 30 May and on 8 June 2012. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/2012/R.2 and E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.19-30);

(b) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2002 through 2012 (E/C.2/2012/CRP.5);

(c) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification, and requests deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2012/R.3/Add.1 and E/C.2/2012/CRP.7);

(d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests of organizations requesting a name change (E/C.2/2012/CRP.8).

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

2. The Committee considered item 3 (a) of its agenda, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from its previous sessions, at its 18th through 30th meetings, held from 21 to 30 May 2012. The Committee considered a total of 162 deferred applications for consultative status.

#### **Applications recommended**

3. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 59 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

#### *Special consultative status*

Abiodun Adebayo Welfare Foundation  
 Afghan Poverty Relief  
 All India Christian Council  
 Apne Aap Women Worldwide (India) Trust  
 Architects for Peace  
 Asabe Shehu Yar'Adua Foundation  
 Association for Social and Environmental Development  
 Autonomous Women's Center

British Overseas NGOs for Development  
Conseil des jeunes congolais de l'étranger  
Corporación Excelencia en la Justicia  
Corporación para la Investigación, el Desarrollo Sostenible y la Promoción Social  
Eagle Eyes Association for Afghan Displaced Youth  
Earth Child Institute  
Education For Employment Foundation  
Forest Stewardship Council  
Foundation for GAIA  
Human Rights Association for Community Development in Assiut  
Human Rights Now  
ICT for Peace Foundation  
Initiative for Environment, Health and Social Development  
Institute of Asian Culture and Development  
International Circle of Faith Chaplaincy Corps  
International Human Rights and Anti-Corruption Society  
International Organization for Victim Assistance  
International Senior Lawyers Project  
KARP  
Kejibaus  
Kerman Raad  
Krityanand UNESCO Club Jamshedpur  
Manavata  
Movement for the Protection of the African Child  
Mundo sin Guerras  
National Forum "Alternatives, Practice, Initiatives"  
Noble Institution for Environmental Peace  
Organisation technique européenne du pneumatique et de la jante  
Pacific Disability Forum  
Peace Operation Training Institute  
Peacemaker Corps Foundation  
Population Connection  
Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Rainforest Partnership  
 Rural Development Organization  
 Rural Women Empowerment and Life Improvement Association  
 Scalabrini International Migration Network  
 Singapore Institute of International Affairs  
 Somali Women Civil War Survivors  
 Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council  
 Stichting Spanda  
 Swisscontact, Schweizerische Stiftung für technische Entwicklungszusammenarbeit  
 Tabitha Cumi Foundation  
 Unnayan Onneshan  
 UPR Info  
 Women Deliver  
 Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights  
 World Welfare Association  
 Young Men's Hebrew Association of the City of New York

*Roster status*

Hands of Love Group System  
 Widows for Peace Through Democracy

**Applications deferred**

4. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 81 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee to them during its 2012 resumed session:

Addameer Prisoners Support and Human Rights Association  
 Afrikaanse Forum vir Burgerregte  
 Al Tajdeed Cultural Social Society  
 Alliance for Reproductive Health Rights  
 Al-Mahdi Institute  
 Al-Maqdese for Society Development  
 Al-Marsad, the Arab Centre for Human Rights in the Golan Heights  
 Amuta for NGO Responsibility  
 Asia Catalyst  
 Asia Center for Human Rights

Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum  
Asociación Centro Indígena para el Desarrollo Sostenible  
Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism  
Assyrian National Congress  
Asylum Access  
AUA Americas Chapter  
Australian Lesbian Medical Association  
Bridging the Gulf  
British Columbia Civil Liberties Association  
Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l'homme au Sahara Occidental  
Business and Professional Women Voluntary Organization — Sudan  
Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir, Córdoba  
Center for Global Nonkilling  
Center for International Policy  
Child Rights Information Network  
Christian Solidarity Worldwide  
Coalition mondiale contre la peine de mort  
Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie  
Defense Small Arms Advisory Council  
Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association  
Dialogue interreligieux monastique  
European Humanist Federation  
Freedom Now  
Global Network for Rights and Development  
Hokok Coalición Internacional contra la Impunidad  
Homosexuelle Initiative Wien  
Human Rights Network  
Ilitha Labantu  
International Association for Advancement of Space Safety  
International Association of Genocide Scholars  
International Coalition against War Criminals — Norway  
International Council for the Day of Vesak  
International Dalit Solidarity Network

International Federation of Liberal Youth  
International Partnership for Human Rights  
International Prison Chaplains' Association  
International Services Association  
Iran Human Rights Documentation Center  
Iranian Vegetable Oil Industries Association  
Isfahan Association for Protection of Human Rights  
Islamic African Relief Agency  
Jerusalem Legal Aid and Human Rights Center  
John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation  
Kuchlak Welfare Society  
Kuki Organization for Human Rights Trust  
Lawyers for Lawyers  
Living Bread International Church  
National Secular Society  
Network for North Korean Democracy and Human Rights  
New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative  
New World Hope Organization  
Palpung Munishasan Dharmachakra Sangh  
Sairam Population Research Trust  
Scandinavian Institute for Human Rights Norway  
Scholars at Risk Network  
Second Amendment Foundation  
Shikhar Chetna Sangathan  
Skyian Welfare Organization  
Solicitors International Human Rights Group  
South Asia Partnership Pakistan  
Sudanese Mothers For Peace  
TrustAfrica  
United Hatzalah  
Virtual Activism  
West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation  
WITNESS  
World Future Council Foundation

World Shelter Organisation

Yoga in Daily Life USA

Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Zeitgeist — the Spirit of the Times

**Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l’homme au Sahara Occidental**

5. At its 25th meeting, on 24 May 2012, the Committee reviewed the application of the organization Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l’homme au Sahara Occidental. The representative of Morocco recalled that at the previous session the Committee had sent a letter to the organization containing objections raised in the Committee regarding the activities of the organization and the contents of its website. He reiterated that the actions of the organization were politically motivated, and not in line with the Charter of the United Nations and Council resolution 1996/31, violating the sovereignty of a Member State. He said that the response from the organization showed that it had not changed its stance.

6. The representative of Morocco requested again that the application be closed by consensus, but acknowledged that some delegations might need more time to consult with their capitals and have more information. The representative of the United States of America stated that her delegation was not prepared to go along with closure of the application, and acknowledged that there was no consensus. The representative of Morocco stated that the procedure had begun with the letter containing objections, which was sent to the organization in accordance with article 15 in resolution 1996/31, that the Committee should take a decision based on the response, and that it was not a matter of asking new questions. The representative of the United States replied that her delegation reluctantly joined consensus on sending a letter, but it in no way represented the first step towards closure. The representative of Belgium stated that the representative of Morocco had to call for action or ask a new question. The representative of Pakistan proposed that the Committee take more time, or, if there was consensus, he was ready to close. The Chair requested that a question be asked or action be taken, and stated that the application could not remain on the deferred list. The representative of India proposed that the application be deferred. The Committee deferred the application to the next session.

**Islamic African Relief Agency**

7. At its 22nd meeting, on 23 May 2012, the Committee reviewed the application of the organization Islamic African Relief Agency. The representative of the United States of America called for the closure of the application of the organization, and he recalled that it had been initially removed from status by consensus at the regular session in 2006, due to its ties to terrorism. He stated that the organization violated the most basic tenets of the Charter of the United Nations and would tarnish the credibility of this institution, as it had supported and provided hundreds of thousands of dollars to Osama bin Laden, Al-Qaida, and other terrorist groups. He added that ties to terrorism must be a permanent bar to a non-governmental organization receiving Economic and Social Council status.

8. The representative of the Sudan stated that fighting terrorism was the only field of cooperation between the Sudan and the United States. He added that the



Sudan would be the first to ask for the withdrawal of status of that non-governmental organization if there were any clue indicating its involvement. He stated, however, that the fact is that the organization has no link with such terrorist activities claimed by the delegation of the United States. He regretted that the unjust and hasty decision of the Committee in the resumed session of 2006 did not give the organization enough time to respond to the allegations of the United States. He added that the Committee had voted to reconsider the withdrawal of the application, and decided not to reconsider by only 9 to 8 votes, showing a clear division among the members of the Committee on that decision. He stated that he expected the United States to provide new information or evidence and not to try to punish the organization twice for the same allegations and the accusations of one State, as the delegation of the Sudan in the Committee always works constructively to facilitate the work of the NGOs and not to block them without grounds. He added that the Sudan had not found any thread of evidence that the NGO has any other activities than humanitarian work, and that the organization carries out a wide range of humanitarian and peacebuilding activities in Africa. He also requested to give the organization the right of reply, in accordance with article 15 of resolution 1996/31.

9. The representative of the United States of America stated that the activities of the organization cannot be viewed as having a statute of limitation and recalled that the Committee had acted similarly at the previous session to close consideration of the application of a Swiss organization, when India had indicated that the leaders of the organization were civilian aircraft hijackers of 30 years earlier. He said the organization had already provided replies to questions posed by the Committee.

10. The representative of the Sudan asked not to use the “allergic reaction” to Al-Qaida and terrorism and questioned whether an organization could be deprived of consultative status forever. He also asked if the status would be withdrawn because the Sudan is a small African country unlike the United States, while the Sudan has very few non-governmental organizations.

11. The representative of the United States of America stated that his delegation had submitted a formal motion to close consideration of the application. However, the representative of the Sudan called for a no-action motion in order to give the organization time to respond to the objections, in accordance with article 15 of resolution 1996/31. The Chair, citing a legal opinion of the Office of Legal Affairs noted that although there is a practice of the Committee to send a letter informing the organizations of objections, there are precedents when no such notification was sent, despite requests of some members, as in the case of Human Rights Foundation in 2008.

12. At its 23rd meeting, also on 23 May 2012, the Committee resumed its consideration of the application. The Chair stated that the representative of the Sudan had moved to adjourn the debate in accordance with rule 50 of the rules of procedures of the Economic and Social Council, in order to give the organization an opportunity to respond to the objections in the Committee. She added that the motion would have precedence, in accordance with rule 52.

13. The representatives of Cuba and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) spoke in support of the no-action motion, in order to obtain more information. The representative of the United States of America spoke in opposition of the motion and was interrupted five times when the representative of the Sudan requested the floor on procedural grounds. He stated that the decision was about whether ties with

terrorism could be tolerated and he called on the Committee to take its responsibility seriously. He recalled that his delegation had stated in the previous session its intention to close the application, but agreed to wait for the current session in order to allow the organization to respond. He added that the representative of the Sudan had then noted that the willingness of the United States of America to defer the decision confirmed article 15 of resolution 1996/31. The representative of Belgium also spoke in opposition of the no-action motion, stating that every motion should be considered on its own merit.

14. The no-action motion was carried by a roll-call vote of 9 to 5, with 2 abstentions. Of the 19 members of the Committee, 16 were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

China, Cuba, Morocco, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sudan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

*Against:*

Belgium, Bulgaria, Israel, Peru, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

India, Kyrgyzstan.

*Absent:*

Burundi, Mozambique, Turkey.

15. After the vote, the Chair stated that the concerns of the Committee would be conveyed to the organization. The representative of the Sudan expressed his expectation that the Committee would grant status at the next session after the organization had waited for the stipulated three years, especially in the absence of new evidence. The representative of the United States of America stated that the United States would use every means at their disposal to prevent that organization from being accredited again.

16. The representatives of Cuba, Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), and Morocco condemned terrorism and stated that terrorist organizations and organizations that supported, financed, or were linked to terrorism could not have consultative status. They requested more information to determine if the organization was involved in terrorism.

**Applications closed without prejudice**

17. At its 30th meeting, on 30 May, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 22 non-governmental organizations that had not responded to the questions of the Committee despite three reminders sent to the organizations over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee (see chap. I, draft decision I (e)).

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

18. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification at its 18th through

30th meetings, on 21 to 30 May. The Committee considered a total of 119 new applications for consultative status.

#### **New applications recommended**

19. Of the 119 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 70 organizations should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

A la Vista! Communication Sociale  
 ACT Alliance — Action by Churches Together  
 AIDS Healthcare Foundation  
 Alliance for Africa  
 Alzheimer’s Disease International — International Federation of Alzheimers Disease and Related Disorders Societies  
 Asociación para el Desarrollo “Foro Rural Mundial”  
 Association of the Indigenous Peoples in the Ryukyus  
 Autism Speaks  
 Beit Issie Shapiro — Amutat Avi  
 Bridges of Hope Project  
 Center for International Human Rights  
 Central British Fund for World Jewish Relief  
 Centro UNESCO di Firenze  
 Children of Peru Foundation  
 Climate Action Network Association  
 Concordis International Trust  
 Cubraiti  
 Deutsche Model United Nations  
 Doctors Worldwide  
 Ecoagriculture International  
 Edmund Rice International  
 Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation  
 Federación de Mujeres Progresistas  
 Federación Española de Mujeres Directivas Ejecutivas Profesionales y Empresarias  
 Fondation pour l’étude des relations internationales et du développement  
 Fondation Yves Rocher  
 Fondazione Don Carlo Gnocchi

Food and Water Watch  
Foundation for Global Sports Development  
France terre d'asile  
Global Hope Network International  
Globethics.net Foundation  
Grassroots Leadership  
Hindu Council of New Zealand  
International AIDS Society  
International Council on Clean Transportation  
International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations  
International Legal Foundation  
International Partners in Mission  
International Risk Governance Council  
Islands First  
Japan Council against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs (Gensuikyo)  
Japanese Association for the Right to Freedom of Speech  
Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation  
Land is Life  
Mali Rising Foundation  
National Engineers Week Foundation  
Oidhaco, Bureau international des droits humains — action Colombie  
Plataforma Portuguesa para os Direitos das Mulheres  
Promocom  
Quaker Earthcare Witness  
Restless Development  
Restoration and Healing  
Sakyadhita  
Scottish Association for Mental Health  
Sigma Theta Tau, National Honorary Society of Nursing  
Sir William Beveridge Foundation  
Stichting Foundation Management EEAC  
Stichting Global Reporting Initiative  
Stiftung Brot fuer Alle  
U.S. Green Building Council

US Human Rights Network  
VDE Prüf und Zertifizierungsinstitut  
Vienna Economic Forum  
Wahine Maori Queensland  
Women and Children First UK  
World Habitat Foundation  
World Hunger Education Service  
Worldwide Palliative Care Alliance  
World Space Week Association

### **Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation**

20. At its 30th meeting, on 30 May 2012, the Committee heard a statement made by the representative of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, who spoke as an observer. He requested to officially register the protest of his Government against the application of the organization Khmer Kampuchea-Krom Federation, which was recommended for special consultative status by the Committee. He stated that the organization violated the spirit, purposes, and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, as well as paragraphs 2 and 57 of resolution 1996/31 by advocating and promoting secession in the territory of Viet Nam, as revealed in the official website of the organization and in the statements of its leaders. He added that the organization was a foreign-based organization that did not in any way represent the ethnic Khmer people in Viet Nam and has carried out many politically motivated acts, such as slandering, inciting, and undermining the national unity of the State of Viet Nam. He emphasized that 54 ethnic groups in Viet Nam had been living together for generations in one whole territory in unity and mutual assistance in the cause of national construction and defence. He also stressed that the State implemented policies to improve the conditions of life of ethnic minority groups and in fact, the life of all ethnic groups, including that of the Khmers, had been constantly enhanced. The representatives of Pakistan, Cuba, the Russian Federation, India, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Nicaragua regretted that these facts were not available to the Committee during its deliberations on the application, supported bringing the matter to consideration by the Council, and noted the importance of exchanging information with Observer States while considering applications. The representative of the United States of America stated that her delegation would not support overturning the consensus decision of the Committee to recommend granting special consultative status to the organization in the Council. She also pointed out that her delegation had looked very closely at the information presented by the organization before joining the consensus.

### **New applications deferred**

21. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 49 organizations pending receipt of questions posed by the Committee to the organizations during its 2012 resumed session:

350.org  
Acronym Institute  
African Refugee Development Center  
Alternatives, réseau d'action et communication pour le développement international  
American Library Association  
Anchor of Salvation International Ministries  
Asociación Española para el Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos  
Association Tierra Incógnita  
Canadian Shooting Sports Association  
Care Continuum Alliance  
Casa Generalizia della Società del Sacro Cuore  
Centre pour les droits civils et politiques  
Conservation International Foundation  
Deutsches Komitee für UN Women  
Educació per a l'Acció Crítica  
Environmental Justice Foundation Charitable Trust  
Equal Rights Trust  
Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network  
European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights  
FN Forbundet  
Fondation Alkarama  
Fondation pour les études et recherches sur le développement international  
Friends of ISTAR  
Fundación DARA Internacional  
Geneva Institute for Human Rights  
Helping Hands International Foundation  
Human Rights Foundation  
Institute for Human Rights and Business  
Institute for Practical Idealism  
International Coalition of Historic Site Museums of Conscience  
International Family Forestry Alliance  
Jewish Voice Ministries International  
Negev Coexistence Forum

Organisation pour la femme et le développement  
 Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine  
 Réseau international des droits humains  
 Rokpa International  
 Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung — Gesellschaftsanalyse und Politische Bildung  
 Simons Foundation  
 Sisters Inside  
 Society for the Policing of Cyberspace  
 Solar Energy Industries Association  
 Stichting Global Human Rights Defence  
 Stichting Justitia et Pax Nederland  
 Un Ponte Per...  
 Under The Same Sun Fund  
 United Sikhs  
 World Faith  
 World Pulse Voices

#### **Requests for reclassification**

22. At its 25th meeting, on 24 May 2012, and at its 29th meeting, on 29 May 2012, the Committee considered five requests for reclassification of consultative status, which included one new request for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2012/R.3/Add.1, and four deferred requests for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2012/CRP.7. It decided to recommend reclassification of status for one organization from special to general consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (b)).

23. At the same meetings, the Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application for reclassification of status of the following four organizations:

Geriatrics Care Foundation of Pakistan  
 International Federation of Consular Corps and Associations  
 International Institute of Administrative Sciences  
 World Council for Curriculum and Instruction

#### **Requests for name change**

24. At its 27th meeting, on 25 May 2012, the Committee considered seven requests for name change by organizations in consultative status, contained in document E/C.2/2012/CRP.8. At its 28th meeting, also on 25 May 2012, it decided to take note of all seven changes of names (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)).

### **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**

25. At its 26th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Council on their activities during the period from 1998 to 2010, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (see E/C.2/2012/CRP.6). Of the 21 reports, the Committee took note of the following report of one organization (included in chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)):

Freedom House (2003-2006)

26. Following the decision, the representative of Cuba stated that her delegation disassociated itself from the decision to take note of that quadrennial report. She stated that the actions of the organization were very far from meeting the standards and principles NGOs must respect when in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, which are clearly stated in resolution 1996/31. She added that the organization carried out politically motivated destabilizing actions against legitimate governments, particularly of developing countries. She explained that that NGO is not independent and that its annual budget is \$1.5 billion, funded mostly by the United States Government and its agencies. She stressed among those actions the submission of manipulated and malicious reports against Cuba, attempting to promote international rejection of the Cuban Revolution. She also stressed that some of the representatives of the organization had clear links with terrorists. The delegations of Nicaragua, the Sudan and Venezuela also disassociated themselves from the decision and supported the statement by the representative of Cuba.

27. The Committee decided to defer further consideration of the following 20 deferred quadrennial reports from 16 organizations:

Armenian Assembly of America (2007-2010)

Asociatia Pro Democratia (2007-2010)

Centrist Democrat International (1998-2001) (2002-2005) (2006-2009)

France libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2007-2010)

Freedom House (2007-2010)

Human Rights First (2007-2010)

Human Rights Watch (2005-2008)

International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)

International PEN (2006-2009)

International Press Institute (2001-2004) (2005-2008)

International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)



National Council of Women of Thailand (2000-2003)  
 Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)  
 Society for Threatened Peoples (2001-2004) (2005-2008)  
 Syriac Universal Alliance (2007-2010)  
 Ukrainian World Congress (2003-2006)

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

28. At its 26th meeting, on 25 May 2012, 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 151 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2012/2/Add.26-33, E/C.2/2012/CRP.13/Rev.1, E/C.2/2012/CRP.15, and E/C.2/2012/CRP.16). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 150 of those organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of one report of the following organization:

Ukrainian World Congress (2007-2010)

29. At its 31st meeting, on 8 June 2012, the Committee took note of the late submission of quadrennial reports of the following 13 organizations, and noted that these reports would be considered at its 2013 regular session:

Care International  
 China Great Wall Society  
 China Green Foundation  
 General Federation of Jordanian Women  
 Institute for Cognitive Science Studies  
 International Confederation for Family Support  
 Jamaican Association on Mental Retardation  
 Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development  
 Maryam Ghasemi Educational Charity Institute  
 National Association for the Advancement of Colored People  
 Singamma Sreenivasan Foundation  
 Stree Mukti Sanghatana  
 Zoroastrian Women's Organization

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

30. At its 27th meeting, on 25 May 2012, the Committee considered agenda item 6 (c). The Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent three notifications to non-governmental organizations that had not fulfilled the requirement to submit quadrennial reports in 2011, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4. The Secretariat had also sought assistance from the permanent missions to the United Nations of the countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.

31. In this regard, the Committee adopted a draft decision recommending that the Council suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 202 non-governmental organizations that had failed to submit quadrennial reports, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 (see chap. I, draft decision III). The Committee further requested the Secretariat to advise the concerned organizations of the suspension of their consultative status and to inform the permanent missions to the United Nations of the countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.

**D. Reinstatement of consultative status of non-governmental organizations that had been previously suspended due to non-submission of their quadrennial reports**

32. At its 27th meeting, on 25 May, in accordance with Council resolution 2008/4 and Council decision 2011/230, the Committee decided to recommend reinstatement of the consultative status of 27 organizations upon receipt of their pending quadrennial reports prior to the termination of the suspension period (see chap. I, draft decision IV).

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

33. At the 27th meeting, on 25 May, the Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent three notifications to non-governmental organizations that were already on the list of organizations suspended for one year due to outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4, and that it had not received any response from 75 of those organizations. The Secretariat informed the Committee that it had also sought assistance from the permanent missions to the United Nations of the countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.

34. Accordingly, the Committee decided to recommend that the Council withdraw the consultative status of the 75 non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 and recalling decision 2011/230 (see chap. I, draft decision V). The Committee further requested the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of the withdrawal of their consultative status and to inform the permanent missions to the United Nations of the countries where the non-governmental organizations had their headquarters.

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

35. At its 18th meeting, on 21 May, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, agenda item 6, Review of the methods of work of the Committee, 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.

36. The Branch highlighted the challenges facing both the Committee on NGOs and the NGO Branch in connection with rapidly increasing workloads, in particular with regard to new applications, and emphasized the need for resources to provide much-needed support to the paperless system, with a focus on maximizing its efficiency in meeting the increased workload of the Committee.

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

##### **Other related matters**

37. Delegations requested more time to consider issues that could contribute to improve the working methods of the Committee, including the procedure for reviewing the quadrennial reports of non-governmental organizations. Informal consultations would be held to address those at a later stage. At its 26th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of India requested that in the future the Secretariat present to the Committee the name change applications along with accompanying documentation.

##### **Statements by non-governmental organizations at the substantive session of 2012 of the Council**

38. At its 18th meeting, on 21 May 2012, the Committee took note of the requests submitted by the following 66 non-governmental organizations<sup>2</sup> in consultative status to be heard by the Council at the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2012 (see E/C.2/2012/CRP.14):

5th Pillar (special, 2011)

AARP (general, 1995)

African Citizens Development Foundation (special, 2009)

African Youth Movement (special, 2006)

Agewell Foundation (special, 2011)

<sup>2</sup> Current status and year in which the organization was granted status appear in parentheses after the organization's name.

Asociación Nacional de Empresarios de Colombia (special, 2011)  
Association mauritanienne pour la promotion du droit (special, 2011)  
Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University (general, 1998)  
Convention of Independent Financial Advisors (special, 2007)  
Center for Inquiry (special, 2005)  
Center for Women's Global Leadership (special, 2000)  
Centro de Investigación Social, Formación y Estudios de la Mujer (special, 1997)  
Cercle d'initiative commune pour la recherche, l'environnement et la qualité (special, 2011)  
Child Helpline International (special, 2011)  
China Energy Fund Committee (special, 2011)  
Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro (special, 1999)  
Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (general, 2002)  
Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations (special, 1947)  
Credo-Action (special, 2007)  
Espace Afrique International (special, 2007)  
Ethiopian World Federation (special, 2002)  
Federación Internacional de Asociaciones de Ayuda Social Ecológica y Cultural (special, 2007)  
Federation of Independent Trade Unions of Russia (special, 1998)  
Forum of Women's NGOs of Kyrgyzstan (special, 2005)  
Fundação de Assistência Médica Internacional (special, 2008)  
Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (special, 2004)  
IFENDU for Women's Development (special, 2010)  
Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society (special, 2010)  
Institute of Inter-Balkan Relations (special, 1998)  
Institute of International Social Development (special, 2000)  
Instituto para la Participación y el Desarrollo-INPADE (special, 2011)  
International Committee for Arab-Israeli Reconciliation (special, 2006)  
International Eurasia Press Fund (special, 2007)  
International Health Awareness Network (special, 1998)  
International Multiracial Shared Cultural Organization (special, 1995)  
International Ontopsychology Association (special, 1999)

International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (special, 2000)

International Society of Doctors for the Environment (special, 2002)

Justice for All — Prison Fellowship Ethiopia (special, 2010)

Kenya Community Development Group (special, 2011)

Legião da Boa Vontade (general, 1999)

Ma'arij Foundation for Peace and Development (special, 2010)

Metis National Council (Roster, 1997)

Millennium Institute (special, 2003)

Minhaj-ul-Quran International (special, 2011)

National Association of Realtors (special, 1989)

New Future Foundation (special, 2008)

Nord-Sud XXI (special, 1995)

OISCA International (South India chapter) (special, 2007)

Organización de Entidades Mutuales de las Américas (ODEMA) (special, 2011)

Peace Child International (special, 1997)

Policy Research (special, 2011)

Rehab Group (special, 1996)

RESO-Femmes (special, 2011)

Salesian Missions (special, 2007)

Samaj Kalyan O. Unnayan Shangstha (special, 2010)

Service and Research Institute on Family and Children (special, 1999)

Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology (special, 2011)

Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries (special, 2000)

To Love Children Educational Foundation International (special, 2006)

Umid Support to Social Development Public Union (special, 2011)

Univers de solidarité et de développement (special, 2011)

VAAGDHARA (special, 2011)

World Jewellery Confederation (special, 2006)

World Society for the Protection of Animals (special, 1971)

World Society of Victimology (special, 1987)

## **VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States**

### **Ma'arij Foundation for Peace and Development**

39. On 11 May 2012, the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch received a letter of complaint from the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations concerning a violation of resolution 1996/31 by an organization with special consultative status with the Council, Ma'arij Foundation for Peace and Development. At its 18th meeting, on 21 May 2012, the Committee took note of the letter (see annex I).

### **Interfaith International**

40. At its 18th meeting, on 21 May 2012, the Committee heard a complaint by the representative of Pakistan, following a letter of complaint from the Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the United Nations (see annex II), concerning the organization Interfaith International, which had its consultative status suspended by a consensus decision in 2010 for two years under Economic and Social Council decision 2010/215. The representative of Pakistan explained that the organization had violated its suspension by organizing events and distributing fliers at the nineteenth session of the Human Rights Council, misrepresenting itself, including on its website, as an organization with consultative status. He added that the organization had also been reprimanded in the past by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights for such behaviour. He requested that the consultative status of the organization be withdrawn for flagrantly violating Council decision 2010/215 and misleading the United Nations system, Member States, and civil society. The Chief of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs confirmed that the organization had violated the terms of its suspension.

41. The representative of Belgium called on the Committee to give the organization the opportunity to respond, in accordance with article 15 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, and expressed a preference to move for suspension again. The representatives of China, the Sudan, Senegal, Cuba, Nicaragua, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Morocco, Turkey and Burundi supported the proposal by Pakistan. The representative of the United States of America, supported by Peru and Israel, requested more time to consider the complaint, hear from the organization, and take action during this session. The representative of Switzerland, speaking as an Observer State, also noted that article 56 of Council resolution 1996/31 granted the organization the right to reply. The representative of Pakistan stated that although there were no provisions for such a right of reply in Council resolution 1996/31, in order to satisfy the principles of transparency and due process, he was ready for a decision by the Committee after considering the reply of the concerned NGO.

42. At its 19th meeting, also on 21 May 2012, the Committee decided to convey a letter to the organization, and seek its response by 24 May 2012, inquiring why it had used a logo identifying itself as an organization with consultative status; if it had participated and organized side events at the nineteenth session of the Human Rights Council; to explain how it had participated and organized these activities while its status had been suspended; why its website continued to show that the organization was in consultative status while it was suspended; and if it considered these activities and acts to be in conformity with Council decision 2010/215 and resolution 1996/31.

43. At its 27th meeting, on 25 May 2012, the Committee resumed its consideration of the complaint by Pakistan. It had reviewed the response from the organization on its inquiry. The representative of Pakistan stated that the organization's response confirmed that it had clearly violated the terms of its suspension. Therefore, in order to respect the decisions of the Committee and to ensure that the activities of all non-governmental organizations with consultative status are in accordance with the rules of procedure, he called upon the Committee to withdraw the consultative status of the NGO in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31.

44. The Committee, by a consensus decision, recommended that the Council withdraw the status of the organization (see chap. I, draft decision II).

45. The representative of the United States of America stated that her delegation reluctantly joined consensus but that the United States did not believe the actions of the NGO justified that extreme measure. The representative of Belgium stated that they believed withdrawal to be a disproportionate sanction, but joined consensus in respect of the few rules of the Committee.

#### **Centre Europe-tiers monde**

46. At its 18th meeting, on 21 May 2012, the Chair informed the Committee that the two-year suspension period of the consultative status of Centre Europe-tiers monde (Council decision 2010/221 of 19 July 2010) would expire in July 2012.

47. At the same meeting, the Committee heard a statement by the representative of Turkey, concerning Centre Europe-tiers monde (see annex III). He recalled the reasons for the consensus decision of the Committee suspending the consultative status of the organization; noted the letter of commitment from the organization submitted upon the request of the Committee; and also noted that the website of the organization continued to violate resolution 1996/31. He stated that Turkey would not object to reinstatement of status, but demanded that the organization immediately take the necessary action to ensure that the reasons that had led to the suspension would not be repeated. Finally, he underlined that Turkey would be following carefully the activities of Centre Europe-tiers monde, and if the non-governmental organization, after the reinstatement of status, were found to have acted contrary to its commitments, to violate its obligations and responsibilities, and to repeat, but not limited to, a similar pattern of acts before the suspension, Turkey reserved the right to seek withdrawal or another suspension of the consultative status of the organization.

## **VII. Provisional agenda and documentation of the 2013 session of the Committee**

48. At its 30th meeting, on 30 May 2012, the Committee considered item 9 of its agenda and had before it the draft provisional agenda for its 2013 session (E/C.2/2012/L.1).

49. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council the following dates for the sessions in 2013: from 21 to 30 January, and on 8 February 2013 for its 2013 regular session and from 20 to 30 May and 7 June 2013 for its 2013 resumed session.

## **VIII. Organization of the session**

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

50. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2012 resumed session from 21 to 30 May and on 8 June. The Committee held 14 meetings.

### **B. Attendance**

51. 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 was issued as document E/C.2/2012/INF/1.

52. At its 2012 resumed session, the Committee heard six 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. Agenda**

53. The agenda (E/C.2/2012/1) for the 2012 regular and resumed session 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.
8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.
9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2014 session of the Committee.
10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

#### **D. Documentation**

54. The list of documents before the Committee at its 2012 resumed session will be issued in document E/C.2/2012/INF/2.

### **IX. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2012 resumed session**

55. At its 30th meeting, on 30 May 2012, the Committee had before it a 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.

56. At its 31st meeting, on 8 June 2012, the Committee adopted the present report.

## Annex I

### **Letter dated 11 May 2012 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat**

I write to alert you about a very disturbing event held by the Ma'arij Foundation for Peace and Development — an organization that received its United Nations accreditation through the NGO Committee.

On 19 March 2012, the Ma'arij Foundation hosted a side event at the nineteenth session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva that featured Ismail al-Ashqar, a senior member of Hamas, which is recognized as a terrorist organization by numerous States.

Hamas systematically kills and tortures political opponents; uses children as human shields and suicide bombers; brutally subjugates women; and deliberately targets Israeli schools, synagogues and cities in continuous rocket attacks. The Hamas charter continues to call for the destruction of Israel — a Member State of the United Nations — and the genocide of the Jewish people. Giving Hamas this platform in Geneva, under United Nations auspices, made a complete mockery of the United Nations.

By hosting this event, the Ma'arij Foundation violated its obligation, under Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, to “conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of their consultative relations with the Council”.

The United Nations cannot serve as a platform to deliver messages of hate and incitement. In the face of the Ma'arij Foundation's flagrant breach of conduct, I kindly request that this official complaint be brought to the attention of the members of the United Nations Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations during the current session held between 21 and 30 May 2012.

*(Signed)* Haim Waxman  
Ambassador  
Deputy Permanent Representative

**Annex II****Letter dated 15 May 2012 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

This is with reference to the upcoming resumed session of the NGO Committee from 21 to 30 May 2012.

I would like to take this opportunity to convey that during this session the Government of Pakistan would like to submit a Special Report for the consideration of the Committee members concerning repeated misconduct by an NGO, "Interfaith International", under agenda item 7.

In 2010, on the recommendation of the NGO Committee, Economic and Social Council had suspended the consultative status of Interfaith International for two years (Council decision 2010/215). It is important to recall that this decision was taken by consensus and one of the prime charges against this NGO were continued disregard for the United Nations rules and procedures for participation of non-governmental organizations in United Nations activities. Unfortunately, however, this suspension did not have any impact on the NGO, which has regrettably continued with its uncalled-for activities.

In March 2012, during the nineteenth session of the Human Rights Council, this NGO, in violation of the well-established rules for NGOs participation in the United Nations activities, organized side events within United Nations premises and in complete disregard of the Economic and Social Council decision, openly distributed flyers of these events showing itself as an NGO with Economic and Social Council consultative status. Mr. Graves, Secretary General of this NGO, even chaired and moderated one of these side events. Copies of the flyers of these events as well as the correspondence between the Pakistan Mission and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights on this subject are attached for ready reference.

As you are well aware, according to paragraph 67 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, participation in United Nations activities and use of its facilities is reserved for NGOs with consultative status. This NGO not only breached this well-established rule but also misled the United Nations system, Member States and the very community it belongs to, i.e., civil society, by portraying itself as an NGO with Economic and Social Council consultative status. This is not only a breach of existing United Nations rules of procedures for the participation of NGOs in its activities but a flagrant violation of the decision taken by the Economic and Social Council.

Such misconduct cannot and should not be tolerated by the NGO Committee. We, therefore, would like to submit the case for the withdrawal of the consultative status of this NGO. Such a decision by this Committee must ensure respect and credibility of its decisions by the NGO Community as well as to ensure that participation of NGOs in United Nations activities are strictly regulated in accordance with the rules and procedures that have been laid down.

I count on the wisdom of the respected members of the NGO Committee to wholeheartedly support this decision. My delegation remains at your and other Committee members' disposal to answer further queries and questions, if any.

(Signed) Raza Bashir **Tarar**  
Acting Permanent Representative

### Annex III

#### **Statement delivered by the representative of Turkey at the 18th meeting, on 21 May 2012**

Turkey appreciates the role and contributions of the NGOs in the field of human rights and welcomes the efforts of many NGOs to make positive and constructive contributions to the United Nations system. Turkey continues to extend its support to them in line with the importance it attaches to the promotion and protection of human rights since they further the cause of human rights at the national and international levels.

It is with the same understanding and expectation that some principles have been laid down in conjunction with the work of the NGOs in the United Nations system, as stipulated in relevant paragraphs of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996. In line with that resolution, the NGOs are unquestionably expected to observe the United Nations principles in their work.

At the 28th meeting of its resumed session in May 2010, this august Committee decided by consensus to recommend suspension for a period of two years of the consultative status of the organization “Centre Europe-tiers monde”, which failed to conform with these principles and the basic requirements set out in Council resolution 1996/31 by disrespecting the territorial integrity and political unity of Turkey; undertaking unsubstantiated and politically motivated allegations against Turkey; inciting and condoning acts of terrorism against States Members of the United Nations and by becoming a propaganda vehicle for the PKK/Kongra-Gel, a terrorist organization responsible for the death of tens of thousands of innocent people featuring on the lists of terrorist organizations of many countries and organizations.

Furthermore, the Committee had also decided to request the organization to submit a letter to the Committee, stating that it will conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, as stipulated in paragraph 55 of Council resolution 1996/31. The Committee was made aware of the submission of this letter during its regular session.

We welcome the fact that by this consensus the Committee has clearly demonstrated its responsible and consistent attitude with regard to the crucial importance of conforming with the principles and the basic requirements set out in Council resolution 1996/31.

We also take note of the fact that this organization sent a letter by which it pledged that it would respect and uphold the requirements stipulated under paragraph 55 of the resolution. We consider it a commitment for future undertakings.

Unfortunately, despite this commitment, the website of this NGO continues to include materials in forms of statements or interventions, which had in fact led to the suspension of its status, disrespecting United Nations terminology; claiming unsubstantiated and politically motivated allegations against Turkey, and moreover defending terrorists and international narcotics traffickers as “human rights defenders”.

Turkey will not object this time to the restitution of the status of Centre Europe-tiers monde. Yet we expect it to abide by its formal commitment and take the necessary measures to ensure that the reasons that caused the suspension would not be repeated. Recalling its letter by which it states that it will conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, we demand that it immediately undertake necessary changes and deletions in its website in line with United Nations terminology.

Turkey will be following carefully Centre Europe-tiers monde activities and if that NGO, after the restitution of the status, is found to act contrary to its commitment as set forth in its letter, to violate its obligations and responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations and the basic requirements set out in resolution 1996/31, and to repeat, but not limited to, a similar pattern of acts before the suspension, the Turkish delegation reserves the right to seek the withdrawal of its status or another suspension of the NGO.

Recalling lastly the function of the Committee to monitor that the NGOs and its representatives conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Economic and Social Council, I request this statement be included in the official record of our meeting.

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