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### Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2016 resumed session

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#### Summary

At its 2016 resumed session, held from 23 May to 1 June and on 10 June 2016, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 464 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 188 for consultative status, deferred 235 for further consideration at its regular session in 2017 and closed consideration without prejudice of 39 applications that had failed to respond to queries over two consecutive sessions. The Committee also had before it seven requests for reclassification of consultative status: it recommended granting four of the requests; deferred its consideration of two; and closed without prejudice consideration of one request. The Committee took note of 15 requests for a change of name. It also had before it 426 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 336. The Committee heard 20 representatives of the 64 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 188 non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Reclassify the consultative status of four non-governmental organizations;
- (c) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of 15 non-governmental organizations;

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- (d) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 335 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;<sup>a</sup>
- (e) Close without prejudice consideration of the request for consultative status made by 39 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions;
- (f) Close without prejudice consideration of the request for reclassification of status by one non-governmental organization following the failure of the organization to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions;
- (g) Decide not to grant consultative status to the non-governmental organization Committee to Protect Journalists;
- (h) Decide not to grant consultative status to the non-governmental organization Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights.

By draft decision II, the Council would decide to withdraw the status of the non-governmental organization Human Lactation Center.

By draft decision III, the Council would suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 158 organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision IV, the Council would decide to reinstate the consultative status of 81 organizations that had submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision V, the Council would decide to withdraw the consultative status of 85 organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision VI, the Council would approve the provisional agenda for the 2017 session of the Committee.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The Committee took note of 336 quadrennial reports from 335 organizations.

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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 188 non-governmental organizations:

Special consultative status

"Böyük ipək yolu" beynəlxalq gənclər ittifaqı

AID for AIDS International

**AIMPO** 

Access Israel

Access Now

Action on Disability and Development

Advocacy Initiative for Development

Africa Child Policy Forum

Africa Unite

African Association of Remote Sensing of the Environment

Alliance Globale contre les Mutilations Génitales Féminines

Article 36

Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management

Asian Science Park Association

Asociación Civil Hecho por Nosotros

Associação Alfabetização Solidária

Association des jeunes engagés pour l'action humanitaire

Association Elmostakbell pour le Développement

Association for Integrated Sustainable Development Initiatives

Association internationale de la libre pensée

Association internationale pour l'égalité des femmes

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Association Norlha

Association of Citizens Civil Rights Protection "Manshour-e Parseh

Association of Iranian Jurists Defending Human Rights

Association of Pacific Rim Universities

Association on American Indian Affairs

Association Saemaul Undong Burundi

Association togolaise "Femmes et SIDA"

Association un enfant un cartable du Burkina Faso

Associazione Bambini Senza Sbarre

Avocats sans frontières

BJD Reinsurance Consulting

Bancroft Global Development

Bangladesh Friendship Education Society

Beautiful Mind

Blacksmith Institute

Bridge to Turkiye

**Business Innovation Research Development** 

**CCS** Disability Action

CSR-Dialogforum — Verein zur Förderung nachhaltigen Wirtschaftens

Campagne internationale pour l'abolition des armes nucléaires

Canterbury Refugee Council

Care-to-Help Foundation

Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

Center for Family Studies

Centre for Advanced Study on Courts and Tribunals

Centro UNESCO de Donostia-San Sebastián

Centrul de Resurse Juridice

Chibuzor Human Resource Development Organization

Children of China Pediatrics Foundation

China Ecological Civilization Research and Promotion Association

China Women's Development Foundation

Comité/Club UNESCO universitaire pour la lutte contre la drogue et les autres pandémies

Community Centred Conservation

Conselho Indigenista Missionário

Coordination des associations et des particuliers pour la liberté de conscience

**DRCNet Foundation** 

Dayemi Foundation

Development and Relief Foundation

Differenza Donna — Associazione di donne contro la violenza alle Donne

**Digital Opportunity Trust** 

Dreikönigsaktion — Hilfswerk der Katholischen Jungschar

Démocratie dans le monde

ERGO — Európai Regionális Szervezet

ESIB — National Union of Students in Europe

Earth Island Institute

East Eagle Foundation

FESTHES "Festival pour la santé"

FORUT Solidaritetsaksjon for Utvikling

Fang Protective Services

Fondazione GEM

Forum des organisations de solidarité internationale issues des migrations

Foundation for Sustainable Development

Fountain House

Franklyn Town Community Development Project

Fundacion Vida — Grupo Ecologico Verde

Fundación Avina

Fundación BBVA para las Microfinanzas

Fundación Grupo Sólido para la Promoción de los Valores

Fundación More Peace Less AIDS

Gain International

Geneva Institute for Human Rights

Geo Expertise Association

Global Autism Project

Global Distribution Advocates

Global Energy Initiative

Global Financial Integrity

Global Health Foundation

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Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction

Global Sourcing Council

Global Partners United

Global Zero

**HELPEOPLE** Foundation

HackerNest

Health and Environment Program

Heart Fund to Fight Cardio-Vascular Diseases — The Heart Fund

Horn of Africa Aid and Rehabilitation Action Network

**IDEAS** Centre

Ideosync Media Combine

**Imvrian Association** 

Institute for International Women's Rights — Manitoba

Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of the Social Solidarity Economy

International Accountability Project

International Alliance of Carer Organizations

International Association of Independent Journalists

International Authors Forum

International Breathwork Foundation

International Center for Advocates against Discrimination

International Center for Work and Family

International Organization for Promoting Public Diplomacy, Science, Education and Youth Cooperation "Eurasian Commonwealth"

Iranian Foundation of Aerospace Science and Technology

Japan Association for Refugees

Jeunesse Canada monde

Jewish Renaissance Foundation

Juristes pour l'enfance

Kehitysyhteistyöjärjestöjen EU-yhdistys Kehys

Kuki Organization for Human Rights Trust

La manif pour tous

Latin American Mining Monitoring Programme

Lumos Foundation

MOHAN Foundation

Meezaan Center for Human Rights

Message Welfare Society

Missing Children Global Network

Mission des sociétés d'assurances pour la connaissance et la prévention des risques naturels

Mosquitia Asla Takanka-MASTA (Unidad de la Mosquitia)

Municipal Art Society of New York

My Chosen Vessels

Naija Worldwide Charities

Narayan Sewa Sansthan

National Council of Social Welfare

National Secular Society

National YWCA of Korea

Neighbourhood Environment Watch Foundation

Nesakkarangal Charitable Trust

New Generation in Action

New Jersey Minority Educational Development

Ngamiland Council of Non-Governmental Organisations

Open Data Watch

Oromia Support Group in Australia

Oyoun Center Foundation for Studying and Developing Human Rights and Democracy in Assuit

Partnership Opportunities for Women Empowerment Realization

Portafolio Verde

Profesionales por la Ética

Profugo

Promotion des Yaelima de Dekese

Promotion du développement économique et social

Rainy River District Women's Shelter of Hope

Rare Diseases Foundation of Iran

Red Iberoamericana de Organizaciones No Gubernamentales que Trabajan en Drogodependencias

Réseau éuropéen pour l'égalité des langues

Restored

Rural Development Institute

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Rural Mother and Child Health Care Society

Sahyog Bal Shravan Viklang Kalyan Samiti

Sanad Charity Foundation

Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

Shoq Te Ndryshem and Te Barabarte

Sindhi Adhikar Manch

Sino-American Cultural Council

South African Institute of International Affairs

Sovereign Imperial and Royal House of Ghassan

Stichting HealthNet International — Transcultural Psychosocial Organization

Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

Studium Generale Ambrosianum

TaiWha Methodist Social Welfare Foundation

Tavanyab Association of Children and Adolescents Support

Tourner la page

Transatlantic Christian Council

UCT International Culture Development

Universalis Matter

Universities Allied for Essential Medicines

University of Michigan

Unión Latinoamericana de Ciegos

VR Foundation

Victims of Crisis Aid Society

Virtual Activism

World Education Foundation

Wild Migration

Woodenfish Foundation

Work in Progress

World Association for Supported Employment

World Childhood Foundation

World Federation against Drugs

Yayasan Rumah Zakat Indonesia

Yayasan Wadah Titian Harapan

Youth Service America

Youth of European Nationalities

- (b) To reclassify the following non-governmental organizations:
- (i) From the Roster to special consultative status:

International Federation of Thanatologists Associations

(ii) From special to general consultative status:

International Electrotechnical Commission

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(c) To note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of the following 15 non-governmental organizations:

Armenian Young Lawyers Association (special, 2014) to "Armenian Lawyers' Association" Non-Governmental Organization

Doha International Institute for Family Studies and Development (special, 2009) to Doha International Family Institute

Fédération des Villes moyennes (special, 2013) to Villes de France

Federation éuropeenne des femmes actives au foyer (special, 1998) to Fédération éuropéenne des femmes actives en famille

Foodfirst Information and Action Network (Roster, 1989) to FIAN International

Foundation for the Refugee Education Trust (special, 2005) to RET International

Human in Love Corporation (special, 2015) to Human in Love

InnerCity Mission of Christ Embassy (special, 2014) to InnerCity Mission for Children

International Center for Alcohol Policies (special, 2011) to International Alliance for Responsible Drinking

International Federation of University Women (special, 1947) to Graduate Women International

Interregional Union of Life Help for Mentally Handicapped Persons "Sail of Hope" (special, 2002) to Interregional Public Charitable Organization of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities "Sail of Hope"

Kejibaus (special, 2012) to Kejibaus Youth Development Initiative

Korean Association for Supporting SDGs (special, 2015) to Korean Association for Supporting the SDGs for the UN

Non-Commercial Partnership on Joining of Creditors "World Organization of Creditors" (special, 2014) to Association on Sustainable Development and Investment Climate Improvement, Uniting Investors and Creditors "World Organization for Development"

Syriac Universal Alliance, (special, 1999) to World Council of Arameans (Syriacs)

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(d) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 335 non-governmental organizations for the period 2010-2013 and 2011-2014 and earlier periods:<sup>1</sup>

"All-Russian Society of the Deaf" All-Russian Public Organization of Persons with Disabilities (2011-2014)

Aahung (2010-2013)

Africa and Middle East Refugee Assistance (2011-2014)

Africa Youths International Development Foundation (2011-2014)

Agence d'aide à la coopération technique et au développement (2010-2013)

Agir ensemble pour les droits de l'homme (2010-2013)

AIESEC International (2011-2014)

Ain o Salish Kendra — Law and Mediation Centre (2010-2013)

Akina Mama Wa Afrika (2011-2014)

Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights (2010-2013)

All India Women's Conference (2011-2014)

American Correctional Association (2011-2014)

Ankara Foundation of Children with Leukemia (2011-2014)

Asian Centre for Human Rights (2011-2014)

Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network (2010-2013)

Asian Non-Governmental Organizations Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (2011-2014)

Asian People's Disability Alliance (2011-2014)

Asociación Habitat Pro (2010-2013)

Asociación Nacional de Empresarios de Colombia (2011-2014)

Association des états généraux des étudiants de l'Europe (2010-2013)

Association marocaine des droits humains (2011-2014)

Association of Asian Confederation of Credit Unions (2011-2014)

Association of Inter-Balkan Women's Cooperation Societies (2010-2013)

Association of Third World Studies (2011-2014)

Association pour la lutte contre le travail des enfants au Niger (2010-2013)

Association Proyecto Hombre (2011-2014)

Biopolitics International Organisation (2010-2013)

Buddha's Light International Association (2011-2014)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Committee took note of 336 reports from 335 non-governmental organizations. The reporting period of the organizations are indicated with the dates in parentheses.

Building and Social Housing Foundation (2010-2013)

Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft der Senioren-Organisationen (2010-2013)

Bunyad Literacy Community Council (2011-2014)

Capital Humano y Social Alternativo (2010-2013)

Catholic International Education Office (2010-2013)

Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (2010-2013)

Caucus for Women's Leadership (2011-2014)

Center for International Health and Cooperation (2011-2014)

Center for Oceans Law and Policy (2010-2013)

Centre d'accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement (2010-2013)

Centre d'accompagnement des autochtones pygmées et minoritaires vulnérables (2011-2014)

Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development India (2011-2014)

Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation (2011-2014)

Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad (2011-2014)

China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation (2010-2013)

China Association for NGO Cooperation (2011-2014)

China Education Association for International Exchange (2010-2013)

Citizens' Coalition for Economic Justice (2011-2014)

Civil Resource Development and Documentation Centre (2011-2014)

Coalition gaie et lesbienne du Québec (2011-2014)

Coalition of Activist Lesbians — Australia (2011-2014)

Colombian Confederation of NGOs (2011-2014)

Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (2011-2014)

Community Development Volunteers for Technical Assistance (2010-2013)

Community of Sant'Egidio (2011-2014)

Community Social Welfare Foundation (2011-2014)

Compassion Africa Aged Foundation (2011-2014)

Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro (2011-2014)

Conference of European Churches (2011-2014)

Congregations of St. Joseph (2011-2014)

Conseil de jeunesse pluriculturelle (2011-2014)

Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations (2011-2014)

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Coordinadora de la Mujer (2010-2013)

Coordination immigrés du sud du monde-Vénétie (2011-2014)

Council of American Overseas Research Centers (2011-2014)

Covenant House (2011-2014)

Defence for Children International (2011-2014)

Dignity International (2011-2014)

DiploFoundation (2010-2013)

Economists for Peace and Security (2011-2014)

Eco-Tiras International Environmental Association of River Keepers (2010-2013)

Engender (2010-2013)

Equit Institute (2011-2014)

Ethiopian World Federation (2010-2013)

European Region of the International Lesbian and Gay Federation (2010-2013)

European Space Policy Institute (2010-2013)

European Union of Jewish Students (2010-2013)

European Union of Women (2010-2013)

Federation of Associations of Former International Civil Servants (2011-2014)

First Nations Summit (2011-2014)

Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center (2010-2013)

Fondation Guilé (2011-2014)

Foundation for Ecological Security (2011-2014)

Free Africa Foundation Ghana (2011-2014)

Fundación Alvaralice (2010-2013)

Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (2011-2014)

Fundación Democratica Italo-Americana (2010-2013)

Fundación Ecología y Desarrollo (2011-2014)

Fundación País Libre (2011-2014)

Fundacion Salvadorena para el Desarrollo Economico y Social (2011-2014)

Fundacion UNITRAN (2010-2013)

Geneva International Model United Nations (2011-2014)

Gibh Varta Manch (2011-2014)

Give to Colombia (2011-2014)

Global Action on Aging (2011-2014)

Global Alliance for Women's Health (2010-2013)

Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments (2010-2013)

Global Witness (2010-2013)

Godwin Osung International Foundation (The African Project) (2011-2014)

Groupe pivot — droit et citoyenneté des femmes (2010-2013)

Groupement d'appui aux initiatives économiques des femmes (2011-2014)

Grupo Intercultural Almaciga (2011-2014)

GS1 (2011-2014)

Guild of Service (2010-2013)

Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights (2011-2014)

Hong Kong Federation of Women's Centres (2010-2013)

Hope for the Nations (2010-2013)

Howard League for Penal Reform (2011-2014)

Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (2010-2013)

Human Rights Information and Documentation Systems International (2011-2014)

Hunt Alternatives Fund (2011-2014)

Inclusion International (2011-2014)

Independent Advocacy Project (2011-2014)

Indian Council of Education (2011-2014)

Indira Gandhi Integral Education Centre (2011-2014)

Indo-European Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2011-2014)

Information Habitat: Where Information Lives (2011-2014)

Initiatives: Women in Development (2011-2014)

Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (2011-2014)

Institute for Sustainable Development and Research (2011-2014)

Interaction, American Council for Voluntary International Action (2011-2014)

International Association for Human Values (2010-2013)

International Association for Volunteer Effort (2011-2014)

International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing (2011-2014)

International Association of Peace Foundations (2011-2014)

International Association of Soldiers for Peace (2011-2014)

International Black Women for Wages for Housework (2011-2014)

International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (2011-2014)

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International Chamber of Shipping (2011-2014)

International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (2010-2013)

International Confederation for Family Support (2011-2014)

International Council of Psychologists (2010-2013)

International Council of Russian Compatriots (2011-2014)

International Development Enterprises (India) (2009-2012)

International Driving Tests Committee (2011-2014)

International Electrotechnical Commission (2011-2014)

International Family Therapy Association (2011-2014)

International Federation for Housing and Planning (2011-2014)

International Federation for Hydrocephalus and Spina Bifida (2011-2014)

International Forestry Students' Association (2010-2013)

International Forum for Child Welfare (2011-2014)

International Foundation for Electoral Systems (2011-2014)

International Harm Reduction Association (2011-2014)

International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (2011-2014)

International Institute of Humanitarian Law (2011-2014)

International Mahavira Jain Mission (2011-2014)

International Network for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (2011-2014)

International Organization of Employers (2011-2014)

International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (2010-2013)

International Peacebuilding Alliance (Interpeace) (2011-2014)

International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (2011-2014)

International Planned Parenthood Federation (western hemisphere region) (2011-2014)

International Road Federation (2011-2014)

International Shinto Foundation (2009-2012)

International Social Security Association (2011-2014)

International Solidarity and Human Rights Institute (2011-2014)

International Trademark Association (2011-2014)

International Tunnelling Association (2011-2014)

International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade (2011-2014)

International Union of Economists (2011-2014)

International Union of Latin Notariat (2011-2014)

International Women's Writing Guild (2010-2013)

Inuit Circumpolar Council (2011-2014)

IPAS (2010-2013)

ISHA Foundation (2011-2014)

Islamic Human Rights Commission (2011-2014)

Israeli Committee against House Demolitions (2010-2013)

Jana Utthan Pratisthan (2011-2014)

Japan Civil Liberties Union (2011-2014)

Japan Fellowship of Reconciliation (2011-2014)

Kadin Adaylari Destekleme ve Egitme Dernegi (2011-2014)

Karamah: Muslim Women Lawyers for Human Rights (2011-2014)

Kids Can Free the Children (2011-2014)

Kiwanis International (2010-2013)

Korean Institute for Women and Politics (2011-2014)

Kurdistan Reconstruction and Development Society (2011-2014)

Leadership for Environment and Development (2010-2013)

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund (2011-2014)

Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany (2010-2013)

Malaysian Medical Relief Society (2011-2014)

Mamta — Health Institute for Mother and Child (2010-2013)

Mandat International (2011-2014)

Maryam Ghasemi Educational Charity Institute (2011-2014)

MaterCare International (2010-2013)

Medical Aid for Palestinians (2010-2013)

Medico International (2010-2013)

Mental Disability Advocacy Center Foundation (2011-2014)

Mentor Foundation (2011-2014)

Minaret of Freedom Institute (2011-2014)

Mission International Rescue Foundation (2011-2014)

Movement for a Better World (2011-2014)

Movimiento Manuela Ramos (2010-2013)

Muslim World League (2011-2014)

National Alliance of Women's Organizations (2011-2014)

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National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan (2010-2013)

National Association of Community Legal Centres (2011-2014)

National Association of Home Builders of the United States (2011-2014)

National Coordinator for Human Rights (2010-2013)

National Council of German Women's Organizations (2011-2014)

National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund (2011-2014)

National Rural Support Programme (2010-2013)

Network Movement for Justice and Development (2011-2014)

New Seminary (2011-2014)

Non-Governmental Ecological Vernadsky Foundation (2011-2014)

Nonviolent Radical Party, Transnational and Transparty (2011-2014)

Northern Ireland Women's European Platform (2011-2014)

ONG Hope International (2011-2014)

Organisation des hommes démunis et enfants orphelins pour le développement (2010-2013)

Overseas Development Institute (2011-2014)

Palakkad District Consumers' Association (2011-2014)

Pan-African Women's Organization (2010-2013)

Peace Family and Media Association (2011-2014)

Perhaps Kids Meeting Kids Can Make a Difference (2011-2014)

Policy Research (2011-2014)

Prison Fellowship International (2011-2014)

Program in International Human Rights Law (2011-2014)

Pro-Life Campaign (2011-2014)

Protection de l'environnement et de l'écosystème (2011-2014)

Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini (2010-2013)

Rehabilitation International (2010-2013)

Rencontre africaine pour la défense des droits de l'homme (2011-2014)

Reseaux IP éuropeens Network Coordination Centre (2011-2014)

Rooftops Canada (2010-2013)

Rural Women Environmental Protection Association (2011-2014)

Saviya Development Foundation (2010-2013)

Schweizerische Arbeitsgemeinschaft der Jugendverbände (2011-2014)

Sinha Institute of Medical Science and Technology (2010-2013)

Social Development Center (2010-2013)

Social Development International (2011-2014)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2001-2004)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2009-2012)

SODALITAS — Association for the Development of Entrepreneurship in the Civil Society (2011-2014)

SOS Kinderdorf International (2011-2014)

South Asian Forum for Environment (2011-2014)

Special Olympics International (2011-2014)

Sri Lanka Anti Narcotics Association (2011-2014)

St. Joan's International Alliance (2011-2014)

Stichting Feminenza Nederland (2011-2014)

Stree Aadhar Kendra (2011-2014)

Stree Mukti Sanghatana (2011-2014)

Students for Sensible Drug Policy (2011-2014)

Swiss Catholic Lenten Fund (2011-2014)

Syriac Universal Alliance (2011-2014)

Terra-1530 (2011-2014)

Third World Network — Africa (2010-2013)

Transform Drug Policy Foundation (2011-2014)

Transparency International (2011-2014)

Trust for Sustainable Livelihoods (2011-2014)

Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation (2011-2014)

Ukrainian Non-Governmental Socio-Political Association-National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities (2010-2013)

Un Techo para Mi País (2011-2014)

UN-Women Australia (2011-2014)

UNESCO Centre of Catalonia (2011-2014)

Union de l'action féminine (2011-2014)

Union for International Cancer Control (2011-2014)

Union internationale des avocats (2011-2014)

Union internationale des voyageurs (2011-2014)

Union nationale des femmes marocaines (2011-2014)

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Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs (2011-2014)

Union of International Associations (2011-2014)

United Cities and Local Governments (2011-2014)

United Help for International Children (2011-2014)

United Kingdom Association for the United Nations Development Fund for Women (2011-2014)

United Nations Association of Russia (2011-2014)

United Nations Association of San Diego (2011-2014)

United Religions Initiative (2011-2014)

United States Asian American Law Enforcement Foundation (2011-2014)

United States Committee for UNIFEM (2011-2014)

United States International Council on Disabilities (2011-2014)

United Towns Agency for North-South Cooperation (2011-2014)

Univers de solidarité et de développement (2011-2014)

VAAGDHARA (2011-2014)

Verband Entwicklungspolitik Deutscher Nichtregierungs-Organisationen (2011-2014)

Victim Support Europe (2011-2014)

Victorious Youths Movement (2011-2014)

Vienna Institute for Development and Cooperation (2010-2013)

Vietnam Family Planning Association (2011-2014)

Vikas Samiti (2010-2013)

Vision Welfare Group (2011-2014)

Vital Voices Global Partnership (2010-2013)

Vivekananda Sevakendra-O-Sishu Uddyan (2011-2014)

Wales Assembly of Women (2011-2014)

Water Environment Federation (2011-2014)

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (2010-2013)

Wittenberg Center for Alternative Resources (2011-2014)

Woiyo Kondeye (2011-2014)

Womankind Worldwide (2010-2013)

Women Advocates Research and Documentation Center (2011-2014)

Women against Violence Europe (2011-2014)

Women Aid Collective (2010-2013)

Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2011-2014)

Women for Human Rights, single women group (2011-2014)

Women Founders Collective (2011-2014)

Women in Europe for a Common Future (2011-2014)

Women in Law and Development in Africa (2010-2013)

Women Watch Afrika (2011-2014)

Women's Action Group (2011-2014)

Women's Human Rights International Association (2011-2014)

Women's International Zionist Organization (2011-2014)

Women's Legal Education and Action Fund (2010-2013)

Women's Sports Foundation (2011-2014)

Women's Union of Russia (2011-2014)

Women's World Banking (2011-2014)

Women's World Summit Foundation (2011-2014)

Womensport International (2011-2014)

Working Women Association (2011-2014)

World Association of Industrial and Technological Research Organizations (2011-2014)

World Blind Union (2011-2014)

World Coal Association (2011-2014)

World Conference of Religions for Peace (2011-2014)

World Council for Psychotherapy (2011-2014)

World Federation for Mental Health (2011-2014)

World Federation for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (2011-2014)

World Federation of Khoja Shi'a Ithna-Asheri Muslim Communities (2011-2014)

World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women (2011-2014)

World Federation of the Deaf (2011-2014)

World Federation of the Deafblind (2011-2014)

World Fellowship of Buddhists (2011-2014)

World Futures Studies Federation (2011-2014)

World Jurist Association of the World Peace through Law Center (2011-2014)

World Lebanese Cultural Union (2011-2014)

World Mission Foundation (Crusaders against HIV/AIDS) (2011-2014)

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World Muslim Congress (2011-2014)

World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (2011-2014)

World Organization of Building Officials (2011-2014)

World Rehabilitation Fund (2011-2014)

World Road Association (2010-2013)

World Society of Victimology (2011-2014)

World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations (2011-2014)

World Wind Energy Association (2011-2014)

World Young Women's Christian Association (2011-2014)

Worldwide Organization for Women (2011-2014)

Yale International Relations Association (2011-2014)

Yayasan Cinta Anak Bangsa (2011-2014)

Young People We Care (2011-2014)

Youth Bridge Foundation (2011-2014)

Youth Empowerment Synergy (2011-2014)

Youth with a Mission (2011-2014)

(e) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 39 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 members of the Committee:

African Arts Institute

Afrikaanse Forum vir Burgerregte

Aspen Institute

Association pour la lutte contre la dépendance

Bahrain Young Ladies Association

Coordinadora de Organizaciones de Agricultores y Ganaderos Iniciativa Rural del Estado Español

ECCO<sub>2</sub> Corp

Egyptian Judges' Club

Eminence Associates for Social Development

Eurasia Foundation

Faith Matters Community Interest Company

Fédération de la ligue Démocratique des droits des femmes

Friendship Force

Frontier Reconstruction Welfare Agency

Glozells Renewable Energy and Environment Society

HillTribes' Mission Aid of India

**Human Rights Foundation** 

Islamic Help

Lawfare Project

Liberia Widow Assistance and Development Agency

Ligue camerounaise des droits de l'homme

Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

Maison d'Abraham

National Geographic Society

Network for Adolescent and Youth of Africa

Nigerian Diaspora Youths Movement for Peace and Development International Organization

PCCIIS International

Pakistan Society for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled

Pranab Gandharva Gurukul

Prime Initiative for Green Development

Reading Hamlets

Ruldin-Society for Neglected Women of Nigeria

Saavan Foundation

Sickle Cell Foundation of Tennessee

St. Monica University

Women's Initiative for Self-Actualization

Yale University

Youth Foundation of Bangladesh

Youths Employment Service (Cameroon)

(f) To close without prejudice consideration of the application for reclassification of status by the following non-governmental organization after it had failed, after three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed to it by members of the Committee:

World Evangelical Alliance

- (g) Decides not to grant consultative status with the Council to the non-governmental organization Committee to Protect Journalists;
- (h) Decides not to grant consultative status with the Council to the non-governmental organization Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights.

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#### Draft decision II Withdrawal of the consultative status of the non-governmental organization Human Lactation Center.

The Economic and Social Council decides to withdraw consultative status with the Council of the non-governmental organization Human Lactation Center owing to the dissolution of the organization.

#### **Draft decision III**

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

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2016 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 2016, 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 158 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of their suspension.

Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia

ActionAid

African American Institute

Amicale Marocaine des Handicapes

Arab Council for Childhood and Development

Arab Lawyers Union

Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress

Asian Women's Human Rights Council

Asociacion Mensajeros de la Paz

Asociatia Pro Democratia

Associação Nacional das Empresarias

Association d'aide aux enfants cancereux

Association des jeunes pour le développement Pasteef

Association des volontaires pour l'assistance au développement en Guinée

Association for Democratic Initiatives

Association internationale des régions francophones

Association pour le développement durable

Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa

Azerbaijan Turkey Business Association

Azrbaycan Grinin Avro-Atlantika Tkilat

Bangladesh Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry

BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights

Batool Welfare Trust

Belgrade Centre for Human Rights

Centre for Democracy and Development

Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions

China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation

Citizens' Rights Protection Society

Clean Energy Promoting Citizen's Forum

Commission national des femmes travailleuses de Guinée

Community-Based Rehabilitation Network (South Asia)

Confédération fiscale éuropeenne

Conseil international du sport militaire

Consorcio Boliviano de Juventudes — Casa de la Juventud

Coordinadora Española para el Lobby Europeo de Mujeres

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Demokratyczna Unia Kobiet

Development Innovations and Networks

Djenne Initiative

Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation

**Ecocosm Dynamics** 

End Human Trafficking Now

**Environment Support Group** 

European Environmental Citizens Organisation for Standardisation

European Women's Lobby

Family Welfare Foundation of India

Feminist Press

Focus on the Family

Focus on the Family (Canada) Association

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Foundation for the Future

Foundation for the Rights of the Family (PRODEFA)

Fundación Instituto de Cultura del Sur

General Federation of Jordanian Women

Global 2000

Global Aid Network

Global Fund for Women

Gong

Gulf Automobile Federation

**Healthy Solutions** 

Indian Association of Parliamentarians on Population and Development

Indian Muslim Council — USA

Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage

Indigenous and Peasant Coordinator of Communal Agroforestry (CICAFOC)

Initiative du millénaire des femmes africaines contre la pauvreté et pour les droits humains

Inner Trip Reiyukai International

Institute for Cognitive Science Studies

Instituto Qualivida

Interact Worldwide

Intermon

International Abolitionist Federation

International Bureau for Children's Rights

International Cartographic Association

International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development

International Commission for Distance Education

International Council of Scientific Unions

International Council on Human Rights Policy

International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers

International Hotel and Restaurant Association

International Longevity Center

International Planned Parenthood Federation, East and Southeast Asia and Oceania Region

International Reading Association

International Trade Union Confederation

International Trustee Fund of the Tsyolkovsky Moscow State Aviation Technological University

Istanbul Research Centre on Women

Jamaican Association on Mental Retardation

JASMAR Human Security Organization

Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development

Karat Coalition

Katimavik-Opcan

Kenya Community Development Group

Korean Sharing Movement

Latin American Committee for the Defence of Women's Rights

Leaders Organization

Legal Service Coalition

Life for Africa

Link-Up (Queensland) Aboriginal Corporation

Local Initiatives Program

Mbutu Agriculture Society

Mediterranean Women's Studies Centre

Mémorial de la Shoah

Mental Health Initiative for Africans in Crisis

Mumbai Educational Trust

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

National Association for Work Bless

National Bar Association

National Rural Development Society

National Wildlife Federation

National Women's Studies and Information Center "Partnership for Development"

Network Women In Development Europe

Niall Mellon Township Trust

Non-Aligned Students and Youth Organization

Norwegian Forum for Environment and Development

Not for Sale Campaign

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Pan African Civil Society Network

Patim

Plan Life

Plan Suomi Säätio

Project Green Nigeria

PROSALIS — Projecto de Saúde em Lisboa

Red ACTIVAS

Réseau des organisations du secteur éducatif du Niger

Resources for the Future

Roma Zaedno

Rufaida Health Foundation

Sahara for Life Trust

Samuhik Abhiyan

Self-Help Development Facilitators

Service d'appui aux initiatives locales développement

SHATIL — New Israel Fund's Empowerment and Training Center for Social Change Organizations

Singamma Sreenivasan Foundation

Social Initiatives Support Fund

SOUL Development of Women and Children

STEER Foundation

Struggle for Change

Sudan National Committee on Harmful Traditional Practices

Sudanese Organization for Education Development

Tamil Christian Broadcasting Network

Thakur Hari Prasad Institute of Research and Rehabilitation for the Mentally Handicapped

Think Youth Independent Association

Trickle Up Program

Türk Kalp Vakfi

Turkish Philanthropy Funds

UN-Women — Nationell Kommitté Sverige

Union of Social Child Care

Union of the Electricity Industry

United States Burn Support Organization

Vali-Asr Rehabilitation Foundation for Disabled Children and Adults

Western Cape Therapeutic Community Centre

Women Trafficking and Child Labour Eradication Foundation

Women's Alliance For a Democratic Iraq

World Association of Children's Friends

World Federation of Democratic Youth

World Federation of Therapeutic Communities

World Federation of United Nations Associations

World Job and Food Bank

World Savings Banks Institute

WORLDWIDE Network — Women in Development and Environment

Zoroastrian Women's Organization

#### **Draft decision IV**

# Reinstatement of the 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 2014/224 of 14 July 2014, to reinstate the consultative status of 81 non-governmental organizations listed below, which have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports:

Association pour la lutte contre le travail des enfants au Niger

Aahung

Agence d'aide à la coopération technique et au développement

Agir ensemble pour les droits de l'homme

Ain o Salish Kendra — Law and Mediation Centre

Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights

Amman Center for Human Rights Studies

Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network

Asociación Habitat Pro

Association des états généraux des étudiants de l'Europe

Association of Inter-Balkan Women's Cooperation Societies

**Biopolitics International Organisation** 

Building and Social Housing Foundation

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Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft der Senioren-Organisationen

Capital Humano y Social Alternativo

Catholic International Education Office

Center for Oceans Law and Policy

Centre d'accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement

China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation

China Education Association for International Exchange

Community Development Volunteers for Technical Assistance

Conectas Direitos Humanos

Coordinadora de la Mujer

Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service

Eco-Tiras International Environmental Association of River Keepers

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights

Engender

Ethiopian World Federation

European Region of the International Lesbian and Gay Federation

European Space Policy Institute

European Union of Women

Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center

Fundacion Alvaralice

Fundacion Democratica Italo-Americana

Fundacion UNITRAN

Global Alliance for Women's Health

Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments

Global Witness

Groupe pivot — droit et citoyenneté des femmes

Guild of Service

Hong Kong Federation of Women's Centres

Hope for the Nations

Human Rights Commission of Pakistan

Institute of Inter-Balkan Relations

International Association for Human Values

International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage

International Council of Psychologists

International Forestry Students' Association

International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions

International Women's Writing Guild

**IPAS** 

Israeli Committee against House Demolitions

Kiwanis International

Leadership for Environment and Development

Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany

Mamta — Health Institute for Mother and Child

MaterCare International

Medical Aid for Palestinians

Medico International

Movimiento Manuela Ramos

National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan

National Coordinator for Human Rights

National Rural Support Programme

Organisation des hommes démunis et enfants orphelins pour le développement

Pan-African Women's Organization

Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini

Rehabilitation International

Rooftops Canada

Saviya Development Foundation

Sinha Institute of Medical Science and Technology

Social Development Center

Third World Network-Africa

Ukrainian Non-Governmental Socio-Political Association-National Assembly of Persons with Disabilities

Vienna Institute for Development and Cooperation

Vikas Samiti

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding

Womankind Worldwide

Women Aid Collective

Women in Law and Development in Africa

Women's Legal Education and Action Fund

World Road Association

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#### Draft decision V Withdrawal of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2016 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations having continued outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation and whose status had been suspended by the Economic and Social Council pursuant to Council decision 2014/223 of 14 July 2014, that it had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2016 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 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 2014/223 of 14 July 2014, to withdraw immediately the consultative status of the 85 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretary-General to advise the concerned organizations of this decision.

3D: Trade, Human Rights, Equitable Economy

Africa Safe Water Foundation

African American Islamic Institute

Asian Migrant Centre

Association de développement de Korba

Association des femmes éducatrices du Mali

Association éuropéenne des cheminots

Association Guinéenne pour la réinsertion des toxicomanes

Association of Former Diplomats of China

Association of Former United Nations Industry and Development Experts

Association pour la promotion de l'emploi et du logement

Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

Big Brothers Big Sisters International

Biogas Sector Partnership Nepal

Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies

Canadian Race Relations Foundation

**CARE** 

Center for Assistance to Human Right Protection

Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology

Centre for Women, the Earth, the Divine

Centre for the World Religions

Dental Care International Foundation

Eco-Ecolo

Ecopeace Middle East Environmental NGO Forum

European Federation for Transport and Environment

Forum of Culture and Arts of Uzbekistan

Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute

Fundación Cimientos

Global Village for Rehabilitation and Development

Group of 78

Half the Sky Foundation

**HELIO International** 

Humanitarian Law Center

Indonesian National Council on Social Welfare

Institut de la gestion déléguée

International AIDS Vaccine Initiative

International Communities for the Renewal of the Earth

International Energy Foundation

International Wages for Housework Campaign

**International Young Catholic Students** 

Isigodlo Trust — South African Women in Dialogue

Justice for All — Prison Fellowship Ethiopia

Korean Federation for Environmental Movement

Ladies Charitable Society

Lebanon Family Planning Association

Les amis de la terre-Togo

Lighthouse International

Macedonian Center for International Cooperation

Mariano y Rafael Castillo Cordova Foundation

Mauritius Family Planning Association

Mehr Nuri Public Foundation

Missions 3G-Gauri

Muslim Aid Australia

National Association of Friendship Centres

National Association of Non-Governmental Organizations

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

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National Center for State Courts

National Confederation of Women in Equality

National Foundation for Women Legislators

Network of East-West Women

Northern Alliance for Sustainability

Organisation internationale pour la réduction des catastrophes

Pauktuutit Inuit Women's Association of Canada

Political and Ethical Knowledge on Economic Activities

Population Reference Bureau

Population Services International

Pro Dignitate Foundation of Human Rights

Red de Salud de las Mujeres Latinoamericanas y del Caribe

Save Africa Concerts Foundation

Seniors Españoles para la Cooperación Técnica

Society for Comparative Legislation

Spirituality for Kids Europe

Swami Vivekanand Samaj Seva Samsthe

Swedish Organisation of Disabled Persons International Aid Association

UBUNTU-World Forum of Civil Society Networks

Union nationale de la femme tunisienne

Unione Intercontinentale Casallinghe

Winvisible — Women with Visible and Invisible Disability

Women against Rape

Women's Crisis Centre

Women's Environmental Development and Training

Women's Political Watch

World Granny

Youth Awareness Environmental Forum<sup>2</sup>

Youths for the Child's Welfare

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The non-governmental organization was suspended in 2012 because it had failed to submit its quadrennial report for the period 2007-2010 in 2011. It had also failed to submit its overdue quadrennial report during the period of suspension, and its status should have been withdrawn in 2013. However, owing to an error in the system, it was not included in the list of non-governmental organizations whose status was withdrawn in 2013. Subsequently, it also failed to submit its quadrennial report for the period 2011-2014 despite three reminders from the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch. As a result, the non-governmental organization was presented to the Committee at its resumed session in May 2016 for withdrawal of consultative status.

## Draft decision VI Dates and provisional agenda of the 2017 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council:

- (a) Decides that the 2017 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 30 January to 8 February and on 21 February 2017 and its resumed session from 22 to 31 May and on 12 June 2017;
- (b) Approves the provisional agenda for the 2017 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.
  - Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.
  - 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.

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- Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2018 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

#### Draft decision VII Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2016 resumed session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2016 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 17th through 30th meetings, held from 23 May to 1 June and on 10 June 2016. 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.2/2016/R.2/Add.28-49);
- (b) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2008 through 2015 (E/C.2/2016/CRP.8);
- (c) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification, and requests deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/R.3/Add.1 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.9).
- (e) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests from organizations requesting a name change (E/C.2/2016/CRP.15 and CRP.16).

## 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 21st through 28th meetings, held from 25 to 31 May 2016. The Committee considered a total of 245 deferred applications for consultative status.

#### **Applications recommended**

3. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 63 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Access Now

Africa Unite

African Association of Remote Sensing of the Environment

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Asian Science Park Association

Association internationale de la libre pensée

Association Saemaul Undong Burundi

Association togolaise "Femmes et SIDA"

Association un enfant un cartable du Burkina Faso

Association for Integrated Sustainable Development Initiatives

Association of Pacific Rim Universities

Avocats sans frontières

Bancroft Global Development

Blacksmith Institute

Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

Conselho Indigenista Missionário

Coordination des associations et des particuliers pour la liberté de conscience

Development and Relief Foundation

Digital Opportunity Trust

Démocratie dans le monde

Earth Island Institute

FESTHES "Festival pour la santé"

FORUT Solidaritetsaksjon for Utvikling

Fang Protective Services

Fondazione GEM

Foundation for Sustainable Development

Fountain House

Fundacion Vida — Grupo Ecologico Verde

Fundación BBVA para las Microfinanzas

Gain International

Geneva Institute for Human Rights

Global Financial Integrity

Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction

Horn of Africa Aid and Rehabilitation Action Network

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**IDEAS** Centre

International Alliance of Carer Organizations

International Association of Independent Journalists

International Center for Work and Family

International Organization for Promoting Public Diplomacy, Science, Education and Youth Cooperation "Eurasian Commonwealth"

Jeunesse Canada monde

Jewish Renaissance Foundation

Kuki Organization for Human Rights Trust

Message Welfare Society

Missing Children Global Network

Mission des sociétés d'assurances pour la connaissance et la prévention des risques naturels

Narayan Sewa Sansthan

National Secular Society

Neighbourhood Environment Watch Foundation

New Jersey Minority Educational Development

Ngamiland Council of Non-Governmental Organisations

Oromia Support Group in Australia

Profesionales por la Ética

Rainy River District Women's Shelter of Hope

Rural Development Institute

Sindhi Adhikar Manch

Sovereign Imperial and Royal House of Ghassan

Stichting HealthNet International — Transcultural Psychosocial Organization

Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

Virtual Activism

World Education Foundation

Work in Progress

Youth Service America

Youth of European Nationalities

#### **Applications deferred**

4. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 141 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee to them during its 2016 resumed session:

Action sécurité éthique républicaines

Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty

Al-Marsad, Arab Centre for Human Rights in the Golan Heights

Aleradah and Altageer National Society

Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace

Anti-Corruption Foundation

Asia Center for Human Rights

Asociación Pro-Bienestar de la Familia Colombiana "Profamilia"

Association Concerning Sexual Violence against Women

Association consortium pour les aires et territoires du patrimoine autochtone et communautaire

Association for Human Rights and Solidarity with Oppressed People (Mazlumder)

Association for Trauma Outreach and Prevention

Association of Youths with Vision

Association pour la défense des droits de l'homme et des revendications démocratiques/culturelles du peuple Azerbaidjanais-Iran — « ARC »

Association pour la solidarité et développement durable

Association pour le développement durable, la promotion des droits humains et la lutte contre la pauvreté

Association tunisienne de la santé de la reproduction

Assyrian Aid Society of America

Assyrian National Congress

Ballerina Management Institute

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

Cameroon League for Development

Campanha Latino-Americana pelo Direito à Educação — Brasil

Center for Constitutional Rights

Center for Democracy and Technology

Center for Media and Peace Initiative

Centre Zagros pour les droits de l'homme

Centre for Corrections and Human Development

Child Soldiers International

Christian Solidarity International

Christian Solidarity Worldwide

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Cities of Peace

Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie

Conglomeration of Bengal's Hotel Owners

Congrès national des Arméniens occidentaux

Coordination Waï (Eveil) relative à l'unité nationale et la lutte contre l'esclavage

Coptic Solidarity

Dalit Welfare Organization

Dansk Flygtningehjælp

Diplomatic Mission Peace and Prosperity

Droits de l'homme sans frontières

Equipo Latinoamericano de Justicia y Género

ELIGE Red de Jóvenes por los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos

Eaglesworth Human Empowerment Foundation

Education, Communication and Development Trust

Egyptian Centre for Human Rights

Electronic Frontier Foundation

Entrepreneurship Development and Support Initiative

Europe Business Assembly

European Muslims League

European Network on Independent Living

Family Planning Association of Bangladesh

Federal Lezghin National and Cultural Autonomy

Fondation Alkarama

Fondazione Proclade Internazionale

F W de Klerk Foundation Trust

Gestos Soropositividade Comunicação e Gênero

Global Campaign for Education

Global Initiative for Positive Change

Global Institute for Water, Environment and Health

Global Network of Sex Work Projects

Gulf Centre for Human Rights

Heal the Land Initiative in Nigeria

Heavenly Shower of Peace Church of God

Helsinki Citizens' Assembly Vanadzor Office

Hokok Coalición Internacional Contra la Impunidad

Human Aid UK

Humanity Family Foundation for Peace and Development

Inimõiguste Instituut

Insamlingsstiftelsen Kvinna till Kvinna

Institute for Multi-track Diplomacy

International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care

International Association for Religious Freedom, Coordinating Council for South Asia

International Association of Genocide Scholars

International Dalit Solidarity Network

International Gulf Organization FZ-LLC

International Human Rights Organization

International Non-Olympic Committee

International Non-Olympic University

International Police Commission Philippine Command Association

Interregional Non-governmental Organization "Committee against Torture"

Iran Human Rights Documentation Center

Ishaatool Mohammadiya Research and Development Foundation, Shevgaon

Islamic African Relief Agency

James Madison University

Karlen Communications

Kids and Teens Resource Centre

Korea Human Rights Foundation

Lady Fatemah (A.S.) Charitable Trust

Leadership Initiative for Transformation and Empowerment

Leading Association Alryada for Development Studies and Human Rights

Legal Resources Centre

Let's Breakthrough

Liberia Youth Initiative for Peace and Sustainable Development

Light House

Lotus Initiative for the Blind

Mittetulundusühing Fenno-Ugria Asutus

Mouvement de la Paix

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Muslim Aid

Muslim Hands

National Development Youth Club, Jaran Wali Gali Poonch

Neighbourhood Community Network

New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative

Next Century Foundation

Pan African Institute for Entrepreneurship and Community Development

Parents and Friends of Ex-Gays and Gays (P-FOX)

Peace Islands Institute

People and Police for Egypt for Culture and Scientific Services

Population Matters

Prajachaitanya Yuvajana Sangam

Public Interest Advocacy Centre

Red de Seguridad y Defensa de América Latina

RINJ Foundation

Save the Earth Cambodia

Sheikh Eid Bin Mohammad Al Thani Charitable Association

Simons Foundation

Social Services Trust

Society for Environment and Development

Society for Protection of Street and Working Children

Society for the Widows and Orphans

Stichting Samenwerkingsverband IKV — Pax Christi

Stichting War Child

Strategy for Mentoring Initiative and Leadership Empowerment

Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition

Survivor's Network of those Abused by Priests

Swadhikar

Treatment and Rehabilitation Center for Victims of Torture

Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania

Ugonma Foundation

United Sikhs

Vietnamese Overseas Initiative for Conscience Empowerment

V-Day Karama

We Care for Humanity

Women Enabled

Women Living under Muslim Laws — International Solidarity Network

Women of Africa

Women's Freedom Forum

World Academy of Art and Science

World Christian Association for Peace And Assistance Ministry International

World Food Logistics Organization

World Without Genocide

#### **Committee to Protect Journalists**

- 5. At its 23rd meeting, on 26 May, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Committee to Protect Journalists.
- 6. In reviewing the questions posed to the organization at the question and answer session on 24 May, the representative of South Africa stated that the non-governmental organization had not responded clearly to a question regarding the organization's position on the pertinent provisions of article 20 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and requested further clarification on it.
- 7. The representative of the United States of America noted the critical role that a free press plays in ensuring an open and secure society and in holding Governments accountable, as enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. She stated that the members of the Committee should accredit non-governmental organizations that report on those issues, especially given the global crackdown on civic space, and that the Committee to Protect Journalists was a reputable non-governmental organization that promoted press freedom worldwide and defended the right of journalists. She argued that in recognition of that principle, the Committee should have already accredited the organization. Since that had not happened in seven sessions, she had called for a vote to grant consultative status to the organization under rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the Council.
- 8. In support of the statement by the representative of the United States, the representative of Greece stated that the safety of journalists was an important issue that had been dealt with in the General Assembly, the Human Rights Council and the Security Council, and that the international community was united in fighting attacks and violence against journalists. He therefore stated that his delegation would vote in favour of granting consultative status to the non-governmental organization and urged the Committee to do the same, given the organization's 35 years of experience and contributions to many United Nations activities.
- 9. The representative of South Africa took the floor to state that his country shared broadly with the statement by the representative of the United States and reminded the Committee that his country and Austria had initiated the resolution for the protection of journalists in the Human Rights Council in 2011. However, he nevertheless objected to the response from the Committee to Protect Journalists, stating that the non-governmental organization had not responded adequately to the

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issue regarding incitement to hatred under article 20 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and that his delegation would therefore not support the accreditation of the organization.

- 10. The representative of the Russian Federation added his concerns regarding the Committee to Protect Journalists, stating that the non-governmental organization condemned human rights violations only in countries that were not allies of the United States and that since that raised doubts as to whether it was a genuine non-governmental organization, in the view of the Russian Federation the organization did not merit consultative status with the Council.
- 11. The representative of Pakistan agreed that the protection of journalists was an issue worldwide. He also supported the statement by the representative of South Africa on maintaining a balance between freedom of expression and respecting limits to that freedom, pursuant to article 20 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. He therefore argued that there was room for further questions. The representative of the Sudan concurred with the statements made by the delegations of South Africa and the Russian Federation and with their concerns about the non-governmental organization, and urged the members of the Committee to vote against granting it consultative status.
- 12. Following the statements, a vote was called to grant special consultative status to the Committee to Protect Journalists. The proposal to grant consultative status to the non-governmental organization was rejected by a roll-call vote of 10 to 6, with 3 abstentions. All of the 19 members of the Committee were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Greece, Guinea, Israel, Mauritania, United States of America, Uruguay

Against:

Azerbaijan, Burundi, China, Cuba, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sudan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Abstaining:

India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Turkey

13. Following the vote, the representative of the United States stated that in September 2015 the global community came together to agree on universal Sustainable Development Goals but that it would not be possible to achieve those goals without a robust, free and independent civil society engagement. She added that the role of non-governmental organizations emerged as critical at the recent World Humanitarian Summit. She concluded that this Committee should therefore have shown greater respect for civil society access to the United Nations, and expressed disappointment that that did not happen.

#### Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights

14. At its 25th meeting on 27 May, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights. The observer for Canada took the floor in support of the application, saying that organization was a well-known organization in excellent standing, composed of dedicated and hardworking young people who were passionate about the issues they faced in today's world. Therefore, in order to invest in young people and their

agenda, as also emphasized by the Secretary-General during his visit to Canada in February 2016, and to treat each applicant non-governmental organization equally in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31, he called on the Committee to grant consultative status to the organization. Following his statement, the Chair asked the members of the Committee whether they wished to grant special consultative status to the non-governmental organization, and since he saw no objection, he gaveled the decision to grant it special status. Immediately thereafter, following the recognition by the Chair, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran stated that he had asked for the floor before the Chair had gaveled the decision, and proceeded to pose questions to the organization. The Chair explained that he had not seen the request of the Islamic Republic of Iran on his screen and asked the Committee whether they agreed that the Islamic Republic of Iran had wished to speak before the Chair's decision.

- 15. The United States emphasized the fact that the Committee always accepted the Chair's decision once gavelled and that, under the rules of procedure of the Council, once a decision had been gavelled, the Committee had to respect the decision. This was following the rules of procedures of the Committee.
- 16. The representative of the Russian Federation, supported by the representatives of Mauritania and Nicaragua, stated that the questions from the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran should be taken into account and a vote could be called on the substance of the application rather than on the procedure, which was related to a technical problem. He stated that the Committee should show its good will as it had done before. The representatives of the United States, Greece and Israel emphasized the importance of respecting the rules of procedure.
- 17. The Chair explained that, according to rule 43 of the rules of procedure, the appeal would need to be put to a vote. Given the lack of consensus among member States, the Russian Federation appealed to the Chair and requested a vote to overturn the Chair's ruling.
- 18. The appeal against the ruling of the Chair was adopted by a roll-call vote of 10 to 5, with 1 abstention;. Of the 19 members of the Committee, 15 were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

China, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mauritania, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sudan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Against:

Greece, Israel, Turkey, United States of America, Uruguay

Abstaining:

Azerbaijan

Absent:

Burundi, Cuba, Guinea

19. Following the vote, the representative of the United States noted that it had been more than five years since the organization had submitted its application and that giving a voice to the youth in the context of sexual and reproductive health was particularly important since, according to the World Health Organization, pregnancy and childbirth complications were the second highest cause of death in adolescent girls globally, and especially in developing countries. The representative then called

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for a vote on the application pursuant to rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the Council.

- 20. Statements were made before the vote by some member States. The Russian Federation pointed out that during the past five years his delegation had not asked a single question of the organization, but that he nevertheless supported the right of other member States to ask any questions they wished, and therefore supported the right of the Islamic Republic of Iran to pose additional questions. The representative of Nicaragua expressed regret about resorting to a vote, explaining that at no time did her delegation want to go against the ruling of the Chair but that there was no other choice in the matter.
- 21. The representative of Greece expressed strong support for the non-governmental organization, concurring with the statement by the United States, saying that the NGO had been deferred for many years and that after providing adequate answers to all the questions that had been posed to it over the years, his country would be voting in favour of this organization. The representative of India expressed regret that the Chair's decision had been put to a vote regarding this particular application and explained that his country's decision to vote in favour of the reversal of the decision was guided by the fact that the situation was unclear and that the request of the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran should be considered.
- 22. Following these statements, a vote was called to grant consultative status to the organization. The proposal to grant consultative status to the non-governmental organization was rejected by a roll-call vote of 6 to 5, with 4 abstentions. Of the 19 members of the Committee, 11 were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

*In favour*:

Greece, Israel, Turkey, Uruguay, United States of America

Against:

China, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Sudan

Abstaining:

Azerbaijan, India, Mauritania, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Absent:

Burundi, Cuba, Guinea, South Africa

#### Congrès national des Arméniens occidentaux

- 23. At its 27th meeting, on 31 May, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Congrès national des Arméniens occidentaux.
- 24. At the same meeting, the representative of Turkey posed questions to the organization, which were followed by a statement by the observer for Armenia. In his statement, the representative pointed out that in its several sessions since 2013, the Committee had deferred the consideration of two Armenian diaspora organizations owing to persistent questions by two members of the Committee, which ultimately compelled one of the organizations to relinquish further attempts to obtain consultative status with the Council.

25. In response, the representative of Turkey stated that, as a strong supporter of non-governmental organizations in the work of the United Nations, Turkey had always pursued an impartial approach towards the applications of non-governmental organizations for consultative status. Highlighting that the Committee, when assessing the compliance of the non-governmental organizations with the Charter of the United Nations and decision 1996/31, had every right to seek further clarification, she emphasized that many Armenian organizations had been recommended for consultative status by the Committee. The representative of Azerbaijan seconded the statement, adding that Committee members had performed their duties in an impartial manner and that member States had a right to seek clarification from organizations. The Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application.

#### Society without Violence Non-Governmental Organization

- 26. At its 29th meeting, on 1 June, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Society without Violence Non-Governmental Organization.
- 27. The representative of Azerbaijan requested further information about the organization's rapid response unit. The observer for Armenia then asked for the floor, but the representative of Azerbaijan expressed his objection to the request. Owing to a lack of consensus within the Committee on the request, the Chair announced that observer States would be given the floor before the end of the session, once the Committee had concluded its work.
- 28. The observer for Armenia was given the floor at the Committee's 29th meeting, on 1 June. The observer stated that all Member States should be given the floor to address the Committee, as necessary, further stating that the representative of Azerbaijan had distorted the facts about the work of the Armenian non-governmental organizations because the questions posed to them were politically motivated. The Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application.

#### Sheikh Eid Bin Mohammad Al Thani Charitable Association

- 29. At its 24th meeting, on 26 May, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Sheikh Eid Bin Mohammad Al Thani Charitable Association.
- 30. The representative of the Sudan expressed support for the organization's application and called on the Committee to grant the organization consultative status, underlining the valuable contribution the organization had made in providing emergency relief to people affected by natural disasters and conflicts, and its work in promoting educational and cultural programmes, and in view of the fact that the application had been before the Committee for four years. The representative of Mauritania expressed his support for the request of the Sudan.
- 31. The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran underscored the need to provide equal treatment to all organizations and requested the non-governmental organization to provide details on its upcoming activities, particularly in view of its alleged funding to terrorists groups.
- 32. The observer for the Syrian Arab Republic stated that the non-governmental organization was concealing its terrorist activities in the guise of charitable actions,

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expressing concern over the alleged contribution of \$10 million made by this organization to the Al-Nusra Front, Da'esh and other terrorist organizations.

33. The observer for Qatar stated that this organization was one of the best organizations in the Middle East, noting that since its creation in 1996 it had engaged in development, humanitarian and educational activities at the national, regional and international level. The Committee decided to defer consideration of this application.

#### **Crisis Management Initiative**

34. At its 19th meeting, on 24 May, the Committee considered the non-governmental organization Crisis Management Initiative. The representative of South Africa expressed appreciation for the mandate and the important work carried out by the organization. He then reiterated that matters of international peace and security, peacekeeping, peacebuilding, peace enforcement and conflict resolution fell under the purview of the Security Council, based on the Charter of the United Nations. He concluded by recalling paragraph 1 of Council resolution 1996/31. The representative of the Russian Federation then posed a question, and the Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application.

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

35. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification at its 17th through 21st meetings, from 23 May to 25 May 2016 and at its 29th meeting on 1 June 2016. The Committee considered a total of 219 new applications for consultative status.

#### New applications recommended

36. Of the 219 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 125 should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

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AID for AIDS International

**AIMPO** 

Access Israel

Action on Disability and Development

Advocacy Initiative for Development

Africa Child Policy Forum

Alliance Globale contre les Mutilations Génitales Féminines

Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management

Asociación Civil Hecho por Nosotros

Association Elmostakbell pour le Développement

Association Internationale pour l'égalité des femmes

Association Norlha

Association des jeunes engagés pour l'action humanitaire

Association of Citizens Civil Rights Protection "Manshour-e Parseh"

Association of Iranian Jurists Defending Human Rights

Association on American Indian Affairs

Associazione Bambini Senza Sbarre

Associação Alfabetização Solidária

**BJD Reinsurance Consulting** 

Bangladesh Friendship Education Society

Beautiful Mind

Bridge to Turkiye

**Business Innovation Research Development** 

CCS Disability Action

CSR-Dialogforum — Verein zur Förderung nachhaltigen Wirtschaftens

Campagne internationale pour l'abolition des armes nucléaires

Canterbury Refugee Council

Care-To-Help Foundation

Center for Family Studies

Centre for Advanced Study on Courts and Tribunals

Centro UNESCO de Donostia-San Sebastián

Centrul de Resurse Juridice

Chibuzor Human Resource Development Organization

Children of China Pediatrics Foundation

China Ecological Civilization Research and Promotion Association

China Women's Development Foundation

Comité/Club UNESCO universitaire pour la lutte contre la drogue et les autres pandémies

Community Centred Conservation

DRCNet Foundation

Dayemi Foundation

Differenza Donna — Associazione di donne contro la violenza alle Donne

Dreikönigsaktion — Hilfswerk der Katholischen Jungschar

ERGO — Európai Regionális Szervezet

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ESIB — National Union of Students in Europe

East Eagle Foundation

Forum des Organisations de Solidarité Internationale Issues des Migrations

Franklyn Town Community Development Project

Fundación Avina

Fundación Grupo Sólido para la Promoción de los Valores

Fundación More Peace Less AIDS

Geo Expertise Association

Global Autism Project

Global Distribution Advocates

Global Energy Initiative

Global Health Foundation

Global Sourcing Council

Global Zero

GlobalPartnersUnited

**HELPEOPLE** Foundation

HackerNest

Health and Environment Program

Heart Fund to Fight Cardio-Vascular Diseases — The Heart Fund

Ideosync Media Combine

**Imvrian Association** 

Institute for International Women's Rights — Manitoba

Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of the Social Solidarity Economy

International Accountability Project

International Authors Forum

International Breathwork Foundation

International Center for Advocates against Discrimination

Iranian Foundation of Aerospace Science and Technology

Japan Association for Refugees

Juristes pour l'enfance

Kehitysyhteistyöjärjestöjen EU-yhdistys Kehys

La manif pour tous

Latin American Mining Monitoring Programme

Lumos Foundation

MOHAN Foundation

Meezaan Center for Human Rights

Mosquitia Asla Takanka-MASTA (Unidad de la Mosquitia)

Municipal Art Society of New York

My Chosen Vessels

Naija Worldwide Charities

National Council of Social Welfare

National YWCA of Korea

Nesakkarangal Charitable Trust

New Generation in Action

Open Data Watch

Oyoun Center Foundation for Studying and Developing Human Rights and Democracy in Assuit

Partnership Opportunities for Women Empowerment Realization

Portafolio Verde

Profugo

Promotion des Yaelima de Dekese

Promotion du Développement Economique et Social

Rare Diseases Foundation of Iran

Red Iberoamericana de Organizaciones No Gubernamentales que Trabajan en Drogodependencias

Restored

Rural Mother and Child Health Care Society

Réseau éuropéen pour l'égalité des langues

Sahyog Bal Shravan Viklang Kalyan Samiti

Sanad Charity Foundation

Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

Shoq Te Ndryshem and Te Barabarte

Sino-American Cultural Council

South African Institute of International Affairs

Studium Generale Ambrosianum

TaiWha Methodist Social Welfare Foundation

Tavanyab Association of Children and Adolescents Support

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Transatlantic Christian Council

UCT International Culture Development

Universalis Matter

Universities Allied for Essential Medicines

University of Michigan

Unión Latinoamericana de Ciegos

VR Foundation

Victims of Crisis Aid Society

Wild Migration

Woodenfish Foundation

World Association for Supported Employment

World Childhood Foundation

World Federation against Drugs

Yayasan Rumah Zakat Indonesia

Yayasan Wadah Titian Harapan

#### New applications deferred

37. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 94 organizations pending receipt of questions posed by the Committee to the organizations during its 2016 resumed session:

"SEG" Civil Society Support Center NGO

Action against Hunger USA

Adaamasunle Foundation

Akhil Bharatiya Human Rights Organisation

Andrey Rylkov Foundation for Health and Social Justice

Arab-European Center of Human Rights and International Law

Asistencia Legal por los Derechos Humanos, Asociación Civil

Association mondiale pour l'échange culturel, artistique et artisanal

Bahrain Center for Human Rights

Caribbean Policy Development Centre

Center of Political Analysis and Information Security

Centre for Convention on Democratic Integrity

Centre for Peace, Culture and Environmental Studies

Change Managers International Network Limited by Guarantee

Citizens' Alliance for North Korean Human Rights

Connections for Afghanistan Research and Prosperity Organization

Creators Union of Arab

Crisis Management Initiative

Danjuma Atta Eye Foundation

Database Center for North Korean Human Rights

Death Penalty Focus

**Disability Organisations Joint Front** 

Environment Conservation Organization — Foundation for Afforestation Wild

Animals and Nature

Équilibres et populations

Establishment of Sheikh Thani bin Abdullah Al Thani for Humanitarian Services

Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network

Fair Trials International

Femmes unies pour un avenir meilleur

Fon Foundation

Fondation Kalipa pour le développement

Forum Droghe Associazione Movimento per il Contenimento dei Danni

Fundación Acción Pro Derechos Humanos

Girls Education Mission International

Global Federation of Competitiveness Councils

Global Forum for Media Development

Global Initiative for Inclusive Information and Communication Technologies

Gulshan-e-John

HACEY's Health Initiative

Hazar Strateji Enstitüsü Derneği

HealthBridge Foundation of Canada

Human Appeal International (United Kingdom)

ISKCON Communications International

International Centre for Women Empowerment and Child Development

International Child Rights Center

International Clergy Association

International Human Rights Protector's Group

International Movement for Advancement of Education Culture Social and Economic Development

Iraqi Association for Public Policy and Administration

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Jubilee USA Network

Jus Cogens

Kadın ve Demokrasi Derneği

Kepa Ry, Kepa, Rf

Landsrådet for Norges barne-og ungdomsorganisasjoner

Monde des possibles

Mangfoldhuset

Marijuana Policy Project

Media and Gender Enlightenment Initiative

Medical Women's Association of Nigeria

Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies

National Democratic Institute for International Affairs

NK Watch

Novant Health

P3 Foundation

Partnership for Change

Peace Brigades International

Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (USA.)

Promundo-US

Re-evaluation Foundation

Results Educational Fund

Réseau national des organisations féminines pour la démocratie, la décentralisation, le développement durable et les droits humains du Mali ou Réseau Wassa

Sex and Samfund

Society without Violence Non-Governmental Organization

Society to Heighten Awareness of Women and Children Abuse

Stichting Child and Youth Finance International

Syrian American Medical Society Foundation

Truth Foundation

US Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

USA Refugees and Immigrants

United States Pharmacopeial Convention

Universal Rights Group

urbaMonde — Suisse

Vang Pao Peace Institute

Vision Africa Give a Child a Future

Voice Society

West Papua Interest Association

Women and Community Livelihood Foundation

Women Educators Association of Nigeria

Women with Disabilities Australia

Womens Voices Now

World Association for Sexual Health

World Forum for Ethics in Business

World Information Technology and Services Alliance

Yay Gender Harmony

Zahra Trust

#### Requests for reclassification

- 38. At its 21st meeting, on 25 May, the Committee considered seven requests for reclassification of consultative status, which included one new request for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2016/R.3/Add.1, and at its 28th meeting, on 31 May, it considered six deferred requests for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2016/CRP.9. It decided to recommend reclassification of status for one organization from the Roster to special consultative status and three organizations from special to general consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (b)).
- 39. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to defer its consideration of the application for reclassification of status of the following organizations:

Widows for Peace through Democracy

World Council for Curriculum and Instruction

#### Application for reclassification closed without prejudice

40. At its 21st meeting, on 25 May, the Committee decided to recommend that the Council close without prejudice consideration of the application for reclassification of status of the non-governmental organization, World Evangelical Alliance, which had not responded to the Committee's questions, despite three reminders (see chap. I, draft decision I (f)).

#### Requests for a change of name

41. At its 28th meeting, on 31 May, the Committee considered 11 new requests for a change of name by organizations in consultative status, contained in document E/C.2/2016/CRP.16. At the same meeting it decided to take note of the change of name of all 11 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)).

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Armenian Young Lawyers Association (special, 2014) to "Armenian Lawyers' Association" Non-Governmental Organization

Fédération des villes moyennes (special, 2013) to Villes de France

Fédération éuropeenne des femmes actives au foyer (special, 1998) to Fédération Européenne des femmes actives en famille

Foodfirst Information and Action Network (Roster, 1989) to FIAN International

Foundation for the Refugee Education Trust (special, 2005) to RET International

Human In Love Corporation (special, 2015) to Human in Love

International Federation of University Women (special, 1947) to Graduate Women International

Interregional Union of Life Help for Mentally Handicapped Persons "Sail of Hope" (special, 2002) to Interregional Public Charitable Organization of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities "Sail of Hope"

Kejibaus (special, 2012) to Kejibaus Youth Development Initiative

Korean Association for Supporting SDGs (ASD) (special, 2015) to Korean Association for Supporting the SDGs for the UN

Non-Commercial Partnership on Joining of Creditors "World Organization of Creditors" (special, 2014) to Association on Sustainable Development and Investment Climate Improvement, Uniting Investors and Creditors "World Organization for Development"

42. At the same meeting, the Committee considered four deferred requests by non-governmental organizations for a change of name, as contained in document E/C.2/2016/CRP.15. The Committee decided to take note of all four requests.

Doha International Institute for Family Studies and Development (special, 2009) to Doha International Family Institute

InnerCity Mission of Christ Embassy (special, 2014) to InnerCity Mission for Children

International Center for Alcohol Policies (special, 2011) to International Alliance for Responsible Drinking

Syriac Universal Alliance (special, 1999) to World Council of Arameans (Syriacs)

# 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

43. At its 28th meeting, on 31 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 2002 to 2015, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (see E/C.2/2016/CRP.10). Of the 90 reports, the Committee took note of the following 25 reports of 24 organizations (included in chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)).

Asian Centre for Human Rights (2011-2014)

Buddha's Light International Association (2011-2014)

Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (2010-2013)

Centre d'accompagnement des autochtones pygmées et minoritaires vulnérable (2011-2014)

Community of Sant'Egidio (2011-2014)

Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro — General Italian Confederation of Labour (2011-2014)

Congregations of St. Joseph (2011-2014)

Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations (2011-2014)

Coordination immigrés du sud du monde-Vénétie (2011-2014)

Defence for Children International (2011-2014)

DiploFoundation (2010-2013)

Economists for Peace and Security (2011-2014)

European Union of Jewish Students (2010-2013)

First Nations Summit (2011-2014)

Indian Council of Education (2011-2014)

International Development Enterprises (India) (2009-2012)

International Shinto Foundation (ISF) (2009-2012)

Korean Institute for Women and Politics (2011-2014)

Movement for a Better World (2011-2014)

National Council of German Women's Organizations (2011-2014)

Nonviolent Radical Party, Transnational and Transparty (2011-2014)

SOS Kinderdorf International (2011-2014)

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Society for Threatened Peoples (2001-2004)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2009-2012)

Vital Voices Global Partnership (2010-2013)

44. The Committee decided to defer further consideration of the following 66 deferred quadrennial reports from 56 organizations:<sup>3</sup>

Club of Madrid (2011-2014)

AARP (2011-2014)

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (2011-2014)

Amnesty International (2008-2011)

Armenian Assembly of America (2007-2010)

Asociatia Pro Democratia (2007-2010)

Associated Country Women of the World (2011-2014)

Association for Progressive Communications (2011-2014)

Caritas Internationalis (2011-2014)

Catholics for Choice (2010-2013)

Catolicas por el Derecho a Decidir (2009-2012)

Centrist Democratic International (1998-2001)

Centrist Democratic International (2002-2005)

Centrist Democratic International (2006-2009)

Centrist Democratic International (2010-2013)

Conscience and Peace Tax International (CPTI) (2011-2014)

Credo-Action (2011-2014)

Cross-Cultural Solutions (2011-2014)

EarthRights International (2008-2011)

End Human Trafficking Now (2007-2010)

European Centre for Law and Justice (2011-2014)

Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegría (2011-2014)

Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe (2010-2013)

Forum for Women and Development — FOKUS (2011-2014)

France libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2007-2010)

Freedom House (2007-2010)

Global Environmental Action (2009-2012)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Committee deferred 65 reports from the deferred list and 1 report from the list of new quadrennial reports.

Heritage Foundation (2011-2014)

Human Rights First (2007-2010)

Human Rights First (2011-2014)

Human Rights Watch (2009-2012)

International Bar Association (2011-2014)

International Commission of Jurists (2009-2012)

International Federation of Journalists (2009-2012)

International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)

International Fellowship of Reconciliation (2011-2014)

International PEN (2006-2009)

International Press Institute (2001-2004)

International Press Institute (2009-2012)

International Press Institute (2005-2008)

International Service for Human Rights (2011-2014)

International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)

Institute of Inter-Balkan Relations (2010-2013)<sup>4</sup>

Kimse Yok Mu (2010-2013)

Minhaj-ul-Quran International (2011-2014)

National Council of Women of Thailand (2000-2003)

Nonviolent Peaceforce (2011-2014)

Pax Christi International (2011-2014)

Planned Parenthood Federation of America (2011-2014)

Priests for Life (2011-2014)

Redress Trust (2011-2014)

Reporters sans frontières international (2009-2012)

Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)

Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights (2009-2012)

Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (2011-2014)

Simply Help (2009-2012)

Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology (2011-2014)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The non-governmental organization submitted its overdue quadrennial report during the period of suspension from July 2015 to July 2016. The Committee reviewed the status of reporting of the organization at this session and recommended the reinstatement of its consultative status to the Economic and Social Council, as per resolution 2008/4. However, due to questions posed by the Committee on the report, the organization has also been included in the list of deferred reports.

Society for Threatened Peoples (2005-2008)

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (2011-2014)

Syriac Universal Alliance, (2007-2010)

Tandem Project (2011-2014)

Ukrainian World Congress (2007-2010)

Ukrainian World Congress (2003-2006)

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (2009-2012)

Women for Women's Human Rights — New Ways (2009-2012)

World Organisation against Torture (2010-2013)

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

45. At its 28th meeting, on 31 May, 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 336 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2016/2/Add.27-46, E/C.2/2016/CRP.11 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.12). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 312 of those organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of reports of the following 25 organizations:

Amman Center for Human Rights Studies (2010-2013)

Armenian Assembly of America (2011-2014)

Conectas Direitos Humanos (2010-2013)

Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (2010-2013)

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights (2010-2013)

France ibertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2011-2014)

Franciscans International (2011-2014)

Freedom House (2011-2014)

Human Rights House Foundation (2011-2014)

Institute for Inter-Balkan Relations (2010-2013)

International Association for Religious Freedom (2011-2014)

International Social Service (2011-2014)

Lassalle-Institut (2011-2014)

Medical Women's International Association (2011-2014)

OISCA International, South India Chapter (2011-2014)

Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement — International (2011-2014)

Pathfinder International (2011-2014)

Physicians for Human Rights (2011-2014)

Simon Wiesenthal Center (2011-2014)

Sulabh International (2011-2014)

Temple of Understanding (2011-2014)

Ukrainian World Congress (2011-2014)

World Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations (2011-2014)

World Jewish Congress (2011-2014)

World Safety Organization (2011-2014)

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

46. At its 29th meeting, on 1 June, 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 by 1 May 2016, 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.

47. In this regard, the Committee adopted a draft decision recommending that the Council suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 158 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.

Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia

ActionAid

African American Institute

Amicale marocaine des Handicapés

Arab Council for Childhood and Development

Arab Lawyers Union

Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress

Asian Women's Human Rights Council

Asociación Mensajeros de la Paz

Asociatia Pro Democratia

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Associação Nacional das Empresarias

Association d'aide aux enfants cancereux

Association des jeunes pour le développement Pasteef

Association des volontaires pour l'assistance au développement en Guinée

Association for Democratic Initiatives

Association internationale des régions francophones

Association pour le développement durable

Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa

Azerbaijan Turkey Business Association

Azrbaycan Grinin Avro-Atlantika Tkilat

Bangladesh Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry

BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights

**Batool Welfare Trust** 

Belgrade Centre for Human Rights

Centre for Democracy and Development

Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions

China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation

Citizens' Rights Protection Society

Clean Energy Promoting Citizen's Forum

Commission national des femmes travailleuses de Guinée

Community-Based Rehabilitation Network (South Asia)

Confédération fiscale éuropeenne

Conseil international du sport militaire

Consorcio Boliviano de Juventudes — Casa de la Juventud

Coordinadora Española para el Lobby Europeo de Mujeres

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Demokratyczna Unia Kobiet

Development Innovations and Networks

Djenne Initiative

Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation

**Ecocosm Dynamics** 

End Human Trafficking Now

**Environment Support Group** 

European Environmental Citizens Organisation for Standardisation

European Women's Lobby

Family Welfare Foundation of India

Feminist Press

Focus on the Family

Focus on the Family (Canada) Association

Foundation for the Future

Foundation for the Rights of the Family

Fundación Instituto de Cultura del Sur

General Federation of Jordanian Women

Global 2000

Global Aid Network

Global Fund for Women

Gong

Gulf Automobile Federation

**Healthy Solutions** 

Indian Association of Parliamentarians on Population and Development

Indian Muslim Council — USA

Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage

Indigenous and Peasant Coordinator of Communal Agroforestry (CICAFOC)

Initiative du millénaire des femmes africaines contre la pauvreté et pour les droits humains

Inner Trip Reiyukai International

Institute for Cognitive Science Studies

Instituto Qualivida

Interact Worldwide

Intermon

International Abolitionist Federation

International Bureau for Children's Rights

International Cartographic Association

International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development

International Commission for Distance Education

International Council of Scientific Unions

International Council on Human Rights Policy

International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers

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International Hotel and Restaurant Association

International Longevity Center

International Planned Parenthood Federation, East and Southeast Asia and Oceania Region

International Reading Association

International Trade Union Confederation

International Trustee Fund of the Tsyolkovsky Moscow State Aviation Technological University

Istanbul Research Centre on Women

Jamaican Association on Mental Retardation

JASMAR Human Security Organization

Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development

**Karat Coalition** 

Katimavik-Opcan

Kenya Community Development Group

Korean Sharing Movement

Latin American Committee for the Defence of Women's Rights

Leaders Organization

Legal Service Coalition

Life for Africa

Link-Up (Queensland) Aboriginal Corporation

Local Initiatives Program

Mbutu Agriculture Society

Mediterranean Women's Studies Centre

Mémorial de la Shoah

Mental Health Initiative for Africans in Crisis

Mumbai Educational Trust

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

National Association for Work Bless

National Bar Association

National Rural Development Society

National Wildlife Federation

National Women's Studies and Information Center "Partnership for Development"

Network Women In Development Europe

Niall Mellon Township Trust

Non-Aligned Students and Youth Organization

Norwegian Forum for Environment and Development

Not for Sale Campaign

Pan African Civil Society Network

Patim

Plan Life

Plan Suomi Säätio

Project Green Nigeria

PROSALIS — Projecto de Saúde em Lisboa

Red ACTIVAS

Réseau des organisations du secteur éducatif du Niger

Resources for the Future

Roma Zaedno

Rufaida Health Foundation

Sahara for Life Trust

Samuhik Abhiyan

Self-Help Development Facilitators

Service d'appui aux initiatives locales développement

SHATIL — New Israel Fund's Empowerment and Training Center for Social Change Organizations

Singamma Sreenivasan Foundation

Social Initiatives Support Fund

SOUL Development of Women and Children

STEER Foundation

Struggle for Change

Sudan National Committee on Harmful Traditional Practices

Sudanese Organization for Education Development

Tamil Christian Broadcasting Network

Thakur Hari Prasad Institute of Research and Rehabilitation for the Mentally Handicapped

Think Youth Independent Association

Trickle Up Program

Türk Kalp Vakfi

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Turkish Philanthropy Funds

UN-Women — Nationell Kommitté Sverige

Union of Social Child Care

Union of the Electricity Industry

United States Burn Support Organization

Vali-Asr Rehabilitation Foundation for Disabled Children and Adults

Western Cape Therapeutic Community Centre

Women Trafficking and Child Labour Eradication Foundation

Women's Alliance For a Democratic Iraq

World Association of Children's Friends

World Federation of Democratic Youth

World Federation of Therapeutic Communities

World Federation of United Nations Associations

World Job and Food Bank

World Savings Banks Institute

WORLDWIDE Network — Women in Development and Environment

Zoroastrian Women's Organization

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

48. At its 28th meeting, on 31 May, in accordance with Council resolution 2008/4 and Council decision 2014/224, the Committee decided to recommend reinstatement of the consultative status of 81 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

- 49. At the 29th meeting, on 1 June, the Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent several notifications to non-governmental organizations that were already on the list of organizations suspended for one year owing to outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4 and that it had failed to receive any response from 85 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.
- 50. Accordingly, the Committee decided to recommend that the Council withdraw the consultative status of the 85 non-governmental organizations with continued

outstanding quadrennial reports, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 and recalling decision 2014/223 (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

- 51. At its 17th meeting, on 23 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, 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.
- 52. The Branch expressed appreciation for the additional human resources recently allocated to it for the purpose of meeting the increased workload of the Committee. It further called on the Committee to advocate extending those resources on a continuing basis in order for the Branch to adequately support all complementary areas of resolution 1996/31.

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

#### Recommendations for improving the working methods of the Committee

- 53. Informal consultations were held on 1 June 2016 to consider issues that could contribute to improve the working methods of the Committee. The discussions focused in particular on the role of observer States and on the webcast of the proceedings. Some delegates expressed the need to maintain a distinction between the role of observer States and that of the members of the Committee. Other delegates emphasized the beneficial contribution of observers, whose interventions could not be restricted in open meetings. The representative of the Secretariat clarified that article 72 of the rules of procedures provided the basis for their participation in the deliberations. With regard to the timing, it was left to the practice of the Committee. One option was to follow the appropriate agenda item.
- 54. Some delegations raised questions on the policy on the webcast transmission of meetings of the United Nations, while others welcomed full transparency in the Committee's work. The representative of the Secretariat clarified that while webcast transmission is mandated for all plenary meetings of the three principal bodies, the practice for open meetings of subsidiary bodies is based upon request and the

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availability of funding. In addition, any media representative with proper accreditation is allowed to cover open meetings.

55. It is expected that further informal consultations may be held at a later stage to address these matters. The Committee noted useful views expressed by Committee members in that regard.

#### Other related matters

#### Statements by non-governmental organizations at the 2016 session of the Council

56. At its 17th meeting, on 23 May, the Committee took note of the requests submitted by 27 non-governmental organizations in consultative status to be heard by the Council at its 2016 session, as contained in conference paper E/C.2/2016/CRP.18, as follows:

Asabe Shehu Yar Adua Foundation

Cancer Aid Society

China Energy Fund Committee

Corporativa de Fundaciones

Fraternité Notre Dame

General Forum of the Arabic and African Non-Governmental Organizations

Global Foundation for Democracy and Development

HelpAge International

IUS PRIMI VIRI International Association

Institute of Noahide Code

International Committee for Peace and Reconciliation

International Federation for Family Development

International Federation of University Women

International Presentation Association

International Service for Human Rights

Legiao da Boa Vontade

Manavata

Mayama

New York Fertility Research Foundation

Palestinian Return Centre

Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary

Russian Academy of Natural Sciences

Saferworld

Society for Human Advancement and Disadvantaged Empowerment

Society to Support Children Suffering from Cancer (MAHAK)
World Jewellery Confederation
Yakutia — Our Opinion

#### VI. Other matters

#### Statements by non-member States of the Committee

57. At its 29th meeting, on 1 June, the observer for the European Union made a statement stressing the crucial role of civil society in the United Nations and expressed concerns that the decisions of the current Committee Non-Governmental Organization had not always been compatible with its mandate, as set down by the Council. He raised concerns over the disproportionate deferral of the applications of non-governmental organizations that were engaged in the area of human rights and suggested that measures should be considered to strengthen the transparency of the Committee's work, including through webcast transmission of the Committee's proceedings. The observer for Australia delivered a joint statement on behalf of her country, Canada, Iceland, New Zealand, Norway and Switzerland. She expressed concern about the spirit in which the criteria in resolution 1996/31 were being applied, particularly with regard to non-governmental organizations working on human rights-related issues. Citing the example of the applications from the Committee to Protect Journalists and the Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights at the session, she stated that the rules of procedure were being misused for political purposes to prevent non-governmental organizations from gaining consultative status. The representative urged the Committee to allow webcast transmission of its sessions in the interest of greater transparency and accountability, as recommended by Chile, Mexico and Uruguay in 2015. Her call for greater transparency and accountability was echoed in a statement by the observer for Mexico

#### Statements by non-governmental organizations

58. At its 20th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of the non-governmental organization International Service for Human Rights delivered a statement in support of a letter sent on behalf of 230 civil society organizations from 45 countries, which called on Members of the Council to ensure that the practice and procedures of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations are in keeping with the principles, spirit and purpose of Council resolution 1996/31 and in strict compliance with international human rights standards. The representative expressed her concern that some Committee members used procedural tactics to delay certain organizations from being granted consultative status. The representative also underscored the importance of civil society engagement to the work of the United Nations and emphasized the need for transparency, fairness, consistency and non-discrimination in the work of the Committee.

## VII. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

59. There were no special reports for the Committee's consideration at the session.

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# VIII. Provisional agenda and documentation of the 2017 session of the Committee

- 60. At its 29th meeting, on 1 June, the Committee considered item 9 of its agenda, Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2017 session of the Committee, and had before it the draft provisional agenda for its 2017 session (E/C.2/2016/L.1).
- 61. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council the following dates for the sessions in 2017: from 30 January to 8 February and on 21 February for its 2017 regular session, and from 22 May to 31 May and 12 June for its 2017 resumed session.

#### IX. Organization of the session

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

62. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2016 resumed session from 23 May to 1 June and on 10 June. The Committee held 14 meetings.

#### B. Attendance

- 63. The session was attended by all 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observer States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants was issued in document E/C.2/2016/INF/2.
- 64. At its 2016 resumed session, the Committee heard 20 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

- 65. The agenda (E/C.2/2016/1) for the 2016 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 2017 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

#### D. Documentation

66. The list of documents before the Committee at its 2016 resumed session will be issued in document E/C.2/2016/INF/3.

# X. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2016 resumed session

- 67. At its 29th meeting, on 1 June, the Committee took note of 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.
- 68. At its 30th meeting, on 10 June, the Committee adopted the present report.

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