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# Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2013 resumed session

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## Summary

At its 2013 resumed session, held from 20 to 29 May and on 7 June 2013, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 426 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those 426 applications, the Committee recommended 161 for consultative status, deferred 219 for further consideration at its regular session in 2014, closed consideration without prejudice of 45 applications that had failed to respond to queries over two consecutive sessions and took note of one non-governmental organization that had withdrawn its application. The Committee also had before it three requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting one of those requests. The Committee took note of one request for a change of name and deferred another. It also had before it 135 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 112. The Committee heard 20 representatives of the 43 non-governmental organizations that attended the session.

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

By draft decision I, the Council would:

- (a) Grant special consultative status to 161 non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Reclassify the consultative status of one non-governmental organization from special to general consultative status;

<sup>\*</sup> E/2013/100.







- (c) Note that the Committee had decided to take note of the change of name of one non-governmental organization;
- (d) Note that the Committee had taken note of the quadrennial reports of 112 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;
- (e) Close without prejudice consideration of the request for consultative status made by 45 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions;
- (f) Note the withdrawal of the application of one non-governmental organization.

By draft decision II, the Council would suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 154 non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision III, the Council would reinstate the consultative status of 43 non-governmental organizations that had submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision IV, the Council would withdraw the consultative status of 159 non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports.

By draft decision V, the Council would approve the provisional agenda for the 2014 session of the Committee.

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

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# I. Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

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, requests for reclassification and quadrennial reports received from non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant special consultative status to the following 161 non-governmental organizations:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service (Victoria)

Access Bangladesh Foundation

Action for Peace through Prayer and Aid

Action Secours Ambulance

Aequalia

Africa Peace Forum

African Artists for Development

African Palliative Care Association

AIDS Vaccine Advocacy Coalition

Akademsko Drustvo za Medunarodne Odnose

Almanar Voluntary Organization

Alsalam Foundation

American Diabetes Association

Arab African American Womens' Leadership Council

Asociacion Gilberto

Asociación HazteOir.org

Associação Brasileira de Celulose e Papel

Association camerounaise pour la prise en charge de la personne âgée

Association for Integrated Development-Comilla

Association for Protection of Refugee and Internally Displaced Women and Children

Association internationale des médecins pour la promotion de l'éducation et de la santé en Afrique

Association mouvement pour la défense de l'humanité et abolition de la torture

Association pour le développement des initiatives citoyennes et européennes

Association Tierra Incógnita

Association togolaise d'étude, de recherche et d'appui au développement humain durable

Association trait d'union des jeunes burkinabé

Assyrian Universal Alliance Americas Chapter

Auspice Stella

Australian Lesbian Medical Association

Autre vie

Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee

Barka Foundation

Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace

Centro Integrado de Estudos e Programas de Desenvolvimento Sustentável

Centro Mexico de Derecho Ambiental

Centro Panafricano Kituo Cha Wanafrika

China Soong Ching Ling Foundation

Collectif des femmes africaines du Hainaut

Comisión Mexicana de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos

Commission on Voluntary Service and Action

Community Awareness Raising and Advocacy Ventures Around Needs

Community Research and Development Centre

Competitiveness Company

Conserve Africa Foundation

Consortium Congo Development

Contact Base

Coordinadora Andina de Organizaciones Indígenas

Corporación Centro de Estudios de Derecho, Justicia y Sociedad

Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunales, Comunitarias, Indígenas y

Campesinas de la Republica de Colombia

Corporativa de Fundaciones

**Drug Abuse Prevention Centre** 

Eakok Attomanobik Unnayan Sangstha

Earthquakes and Megacities Initiative

Eastern Alliance for Safe and Sustainable Transport

Ecoforum of Non-Governmental Organizations of Uzbekistan

Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance

Educació per a l'Acció Crítica

Equal Right to Life

European Window Film Association

Family and Life

Family Educational Services Foundation

Feminenza Kenya

Fondation Nature et Vie

Fondation pour le dialogue des civilisations

Foundation for Autism Support and Training

Foundation for Responsible Media

Freann Financial Services

Friends of the Global Fund Africa

Fundación DARA Internacional

Global Campaign for Climate Action

Global Environment and Technology Foundation

Global Health and Awareness Research Foundation

Global Political Trends Center

Global Race Against Poverty and HIV/AIDS in Nigeria

Global Welfare Association

Global Wind Energy Council

Groupe d'action pour la protection et la promotion de la flore et la faune

Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec

Heartbeat International Foundation

**HEDA Resource Centre** 

Help A Child Africa

Homosexuelle Initiative Wien

Human Rights Network (HURINET)

Ideal World Foundation

Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya

Impacto

**Indian Dreams Foundation** 

Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding

Institute for Practical Idealism

Institute of Economic Strategies

**Integrated Development Services** 

Inter-Faith Vision Foundation Cameroon

International Association for Advancement of Space Safety

International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges

International Federation of Hard of Hearing Young People

Islamic Foundation

Jeunes volontaires pour l'environnement

John Dau Foundation

Jordanian Women Union

Karabakh Foundation

Lawyers for Lawyers

Leprosy Mission International

Lift Up Care Foundation

Living Bread International Church

Maasai Youth Outreach Organization

Medical Emergency Relief International

Merciful Assistance Foundation

Merry Year Foundation

Montage Initiative

Moorish Holy Temple of Science/Moorish Science Temple

Mothers Legacy Project

Network for Women's Rights in Ghana

NeuroCare Ethiopia

Observatorio Regional para la Mujer de América Latina y el Caribe

Omega Research Foundation

Organisation for Gender, Civic Engagement and Youth Development

People's Development Initiatives

Per Ankh

Prevention Association of Social Harms

Rede Latino Americana de Organizações Não Governamentais de Pessoas com Deficiência e Suas Famílias

Reforestamos México

Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary

Rescue and Hope

Rockefeller Foundation

Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung — Gesellschaftsanalyse und Politische Bildung

Royal Academy of Science International Trust

Rural Health Care Foundation

Sadguru Sadafaldeo Vihangam Yoga Sansthan

Scholars at Risk Network

Scouts du Niger

Shikhar Chetna Sangathan

Shushilan

Society for the Policing of Cyberspace

Society of Iranian Women Advocating Sustainable Development of the

Environment

Somali Help-Age Association

Soroptimist International Great Britain and Ireland

South Asia Partnership Pakistan

Stichting Coalition for Work with Psychotrauma and Peace

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Suomen YK-liitto Ry

Support Home of God Project

Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation

Sustainable Development Institute

Sustainable Rural Community Development Organisation

Technical Centre for Fine Art and Computer Studies

Turkiye Isadamlari ve Sanayiciler Konfederasyonu

Türkiye Yesilay Cemiyeti (Green Crescent)

U.S. Azeris Network

Vance Center

Women Awareness Center Nepal

Women Empowerment Literacy and Development Organization

Women in Alternative Action

World Hepatitis Alliance

World Kabaddi Federation

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World Public Forum — Dialogue of Civilizations

Worldwide Coalition for Peace

Yogaathma Foundation

Young Power in Social Action

Youngstars Foundation International

Youth Alliance for Leadership and Development in Africa

Youth Path Organisation

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

World Society for the Protection of Animals

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

National Committee for UNIFEM, Japan (special, 2007) to Japan National Committee for UN-Women

(d) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 112 non-governmental organizations: 1

Academy of Mining Sciences

Africa and Middle East Refugee Assistance (2007-2010)

Africa-America Institute (2007-2010)

African Peace Network

African Women's Development and Communication Network

Akina Mama Wa Afrika (2007-2010)

Al Zubair Charity Foundation

Alan Guttmacher Institute

American Correctional Association (2007-2010)

American Indian Law Alliance (2007-2010)

American Planning Association

American Psychological Association

Antonio Restrepo Barco Foundation

Arab Commission for Human Rights

Arab Council for Childhood and Development (2007-2010)

Arab Network for Environment and Development

Arcidonna Onlus

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Of the 112 non-governmental organizations, 81 reported on the period 2008-2011 and 31 on the period 2007-2010 (indicated as such in parentheses).

Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women

Asian Women in Cooperative Development Forum

Association des volontaires pour l'assistance au développement en Guinée (2007-2010)

Association for Solidarity with Freedom-Deprived Juveniles (2007-2010)

Association haïtienne d'aide aux enfants nécessiteux et au relèvement des communes de l'Artibonite

Association tunisienne de la communication et des sciences spatiales

Canadian Federation of Agriculture

CARAM Asia Berhad

Carter Center

Centre for Human Rights and Peace Advocacy

Cesvi Fondazione

Charitable Institute for Protecting Social Victims

Child Welfare League of America

China NGO Network for International Exchanges

China Society for Promotion of the Guangcai Programme

Chinese Society for Sustainable Development

Coalition gaie et lesbienne du Québec (2007-2010)

Colombian Confederation of NGOs (2007-2010)

Comité pour les relations internationales de jeunesse de la communauté française de Belgique

Community and Family Services International

**Development Promotion Group** 

Egyptian Center for Women's Rights (2007-2010)

**Environic Foundation International** 

European Intermodal Association

Fondation Guilé (2007-2010)

Fondation Mohammed V pour la solidarité

Fondazione Giovanni e Francesca Falcone

Fonds E7 pour le développement énergétique durable

Foundation for the Child and the Family

Fund for Women in Asia

Geneva Infant Feeding Association

Global Eco-Village Network

Globetree (2007-2010)

Grupo Ecológico Sierra Gorda

Guyana Responsible Parenthood Association

Habitat for Humanity International (2007-2010)

Human Relief Foundation (2007-2010)

Hunter College Center for Community and Urban Health

Indigenous Peoples Survival Foundation

International Academy of Ecology and Life Protection Sciences

International Alert (2007-2010)

International Association "Znanie"

International Association for Democracy in Africa

International Association for Media and Communication Research

International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property

International Association of Penal Law

International Association of Soldiers for Peace (2007-2010)

International Centre for Missing and Exploited Children

International Corrections and Prisons Association for the Advancement of

Professional Corrections (2007-2010)

International Council of Environmental Law

International Family Therapy Association (2007-2010)

International Federation for Human Rights Leagues

International Federation of Hard of Hearing People

International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers (2007-2010)

International Longevity Center (2007-2010)

International Paralympic Committee

International Prisoners Aid Association

International School Psychology Association

IT for Change

Japan Fellowship of Reconciliation (2007-2010)

Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning

Les enfants de Frankie

Malaysian Medical Relief Society (2007-2010)

Médecins sans frontières (international)

Movimiento Cubano por la Paz y la Soberania de los Pueblos

National Bar Association (2007-2010)

National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

National Union of the Association of Protection of Motherhood, Childhood and Families (2007-2010)

Nigerian Army Officers' Wives Association

Norwegian Refugee Council

Pan European Forest Certification Council

Peace Parks Foundation

Press Council

Red de Educación Popular entre Mujeres

Research Centre for Feminist Action

Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra

Society for the Protection of the Rights of the Child

Solar Cookers International

Sudan Council of Voluntary Agencies

Union Arabischer Mediziner in Europa

Union de l'action féminine (2007-2010)

Victim Support Europe (2007-2010)

Vie Montante International

Voices of African Mothers

Wales Assembly of Women (2007-2010)

Woïyo Kondeye (2007-2010)

Women in Media and Entertainment

Women's Association for a Better Aging Society

World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

World Association of the Major Metropolises

World Council for Psychotherapy (2007-2010)

World Energy Council

World Family Organization

World Rehabilitation Fund (2007-2010)

(e) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 45 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:

Addameer Prisoners Support and Human Rights Association

Alliance for Reproductive Health Rights

Arab Forum for Environment and Development

Associação Brasileira das Indústrias de Óleos Vegetais

Association of American Geographers

Ballerina Management Institute

Caputo Children's Fund

Carbon War Room Corporation

Centre for Social Transformation and Human Development

Coastal Association for Social Transformation Trust

Consumer Goods Forum

Dialogue International Kapiri-Mposhi District

Eliezah Foundation Initiative Uganda

Environmental Law Institute

Family Health Development Organization

Fundo Brasileiro para a Biodiversidade

Global Forum on Human Settlements

Good Hands

Hasaan Foundation

Health Global Access Project

Helping Hands International Foundation Inc.

Heritage Foundation

**Human Rights Foundation** 

Instituto Ethos de Empresas e Responsabilidade Social

International Coalition against War Criminals — Norway

International Society for Ecological Economics

Last Hope International

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Maan Television Network

National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association

New Vision International

Oikos — Stiftung für Oekonomie und Oekologie

Organisation pour la femme et le développement

Prime Educational and Social Trust

Raynault Foundation

Rural Peoples Sangham

Sierra Leone Relief and Development Outreach

Solicitors International Human Rights Group

Spread the Wings Non-Governmental Organization for Children

Stichting Global March Against Child Labour

Sudanese Mothers for Peace

Trustees of Tufts College

Union of Palestinian Non-Governmental Organizations

Yadgar Welfare Society

Youth Service America

(f) To note the withdrawal of the application of the following non-governmental organization:

Curia Generalizia dei Marianisti

#### **Draft decision II**

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

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2013 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations with outstanding quadrennial reports of their reporting obligation, had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2013 and 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 154 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretariat to advise the concerned organizations of their suspension:

Action pour le développement de l'agriculture et de la pêche avec protection environnementale de Likende

Actions on Gender, Citizenship and Development

Admiral Family Circle Islamic Community

Advisory Network for African Information Society

African Institute for Democracy

African Youth Network for Sustainable Development

Agudas Israel World Organization

Ahmedabad Women's Action Group

Airline Ambassadors International

All About Social, Economic, Educational Rights Foundation

All India Shah Behram Baug Society for Scientific and Educational Research

Alliance for Marriage

Alulbayt Foundation

American Society for Training and Development

Annai Educational Society

Asociación Internacional de Presupuesto Público

Assemblée parlementaire de la francophonie

Association algérienne d'alphabétisation

Association coeur africain

Association femme et développement

Association for Sustainable Community Development

Association François-Xavier Bagnoud

Association jeunesse action développement

Association nationale de volontariat "Touiza"

Association of Organizations for Social and Educational Assistance

Association Tunisie-mediterranée pour le développement durable

Association tunisienne de lutte contre les MST/SIDA

Association tunisienne de prévention de toxicomanie

Association tunisienne des auberges et tourisme de jeunes

Association tunisienne des femmes democratiques

Association VERSeau développement

Avocats sans frontières (France)

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Center for Development Services

Center for International Rehabilitation

Center for Victims of Torture

Centre béninois pour le développement des initiatives à la base

Centre for the Study of Administration of Relief

Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas

Charitable Society for Social Welfare

Chernobyl Union International

Child Rights Action Coalition

Chilean Corporation for Children Youth Rights

Chintan Environmental Research and Action Group

Christian Conference of Asia

Citizens' Movement for Environmental Justice

Collectif des organisations des jeunes solidaires du Congo — Kinshasa

Colonie des pionniers de développement

Comité de apoyo a los trabajadores agrícolas

Comité national d'entraide de la jeunesse et de l'enfance

Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility

Dogal Hayati Koruma Dernegi: Society for the Protection of Nature

Droit à l'energie SOS futur

DrugScope

Earthcorps

Environmental Development Action in the Third World

European Federation of Older Students at Universities

Fédération des organisations non-gouvernementales du Senegal

Federation of Balkan Turks and Associations for Emigrés

Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations

Fondation connaissance et liberté

Forest Alliance of British Columbia

Foundation for Human Rights Initiative

Foundation Partners for Local Development

Fundación "8 de Marzo" para la Promoción de Mujeres y Jóvenes

Fundación Guayasamín

Fundación Huancavilca

Fundacion Proyecto de Paz Mundial

Geriatrics Care Foundation of Pakistan

Global Action Plan International

Global Fund for Children

Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group

Green Front of Iran

Health for Humanity

**Hudson Institute** 

Human Rights Information and Training Center

India Vision Foundation

Iniciativa Ciudadana ¡Basta Ya!

Institute for Environment and Development Studies (Friends of the Earth Bangladesh)

Institute for Interreligious Dialogue

International Academy of Astronautics

International Association of Youth and Family Judges and Magistrates

International Astronautical Federation

International Centre for Study and Development

International Children's Dream Foundation

International Council of Prison Medical Services

International Criminal Defense Attorneys Association

International Metalworkers Federation

International Rural Housing Association

ISIS International (Chile)

Islamic Centre England

Ittijah: Union of Arab Community-Based Associations

Jigyansu Tribal Research Centre

Junior Achievement Worldwide

Kenya Medical Women's Association

Knights of the Southern Cross (Australia)

Latin American Iron and Steel Institute

Lay Movement for Latin America

Learning and Development Kenya

Life Institute

Ligue burundaise des droits de l'homme

Ligue pour l'education de la femme et de l'enfant

Links Incorporated

Lokmanya Public Charitable Trust

Mahila Dakshata Samiti

Morality in Media

Mountain Institute

Mountain Women Development Organization

National Association of University Women of Romania

National Coalition for Haitian Rights

National Council of Women of Thailand

National Women's Studies Association

Network of Human Development

Nigeria-Togo Association

Non-Governmental Organizations Coordinating Committee

NRO Frauenforum Entwicklungspolitisches Netzwerk

**ODHIKAR** 

One World International

One World Trust

Organisation pour la promotion et la protection des droits de la femme et de l'enfant au Burundi

Peaceways: Young General Assembly

Physicians for Peace

Planetary Association for Clean Energy

Radin Institute for Family Health Education and Promotion

Reach the Children

Rehabilitation and Development Organization for Landless

Relief International

Rencontres: International Association of French-speaking Anglicans and Episcopalians

Research Institute for Enhancing Women's Lives

Romanian Youth Association for United Nations

Russian Public Movement "For Civil Rights"

Santé de la reproduction pour une maternité sans risque

School of Human Genetics and Population Health

Scouts tunisiens

Service for Peace

South-North Development Initiative

Thailand Environment Institute

Together Foundation for Global Unity

Turtle Island Restoration Network

Union of Arab Banks

Union of Kuwaiti Women Associations

Voluntary Action Network (India)

W. Haywood Burns Environmental Education Center

Women Action

Women Cultural Social Society

Women's Rights Association against Discrimination

Women's Rights Movement of the Philippines

Women's Shadow Parliament (Kenya)

Women's Solidarity Association of Iran

World Alliance of Reformed Churches

World Confederation of Teachers

World Organization for Education, Science and Development

World Organization of Former Students of Catholic Education

World Vision Canada

### **Draft decision III**

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

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2012/222 of 23 July 2012, to reinstate the consultative status of the 43 non-governmental organizations listed below, which have submitted their outstanding quadrennial reports:

Africa and Middle East Refugee Assistance

Africa-America Institute

Akina Mama Wa Afrika

American Correctional Association

American Indian Law Alliance

Arab Council for Childhood and Development

Association des volontaires pour l'assistance au développement en Guinée

Association for Solidarity with Freedom-Deprived Juveniles

Center for Alcohol and Drug Research and Education

Coalition gaie et lesbienne du Québec

Colombian Confederation of NGOs

Comisión Jurídica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos "Capaj"

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Egyptian Center for Women's Rights

Fondation Guilé

Global Fund for Women

Globe International

Globetree

Habitat for Humanity International

Human Relief Foundation

International Alert

International Association of Soldiers for Peace

International Corrections and Prisons Association for the Advancement of

**Professional Corrections** 

**International Family Therapy Association** 

International Federation of Industrial Energy Consumers

International Harm Reduction Association

**International Longevity Center** 

International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse

Japan Fellowship of Reconciliation

Malaysian Medical Relief Society

National Alliance of Women's Organizations

National Bar Association

National Union of the Association of Protection of Motherhood, Childhood and Families

Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs

Union de l'action féminine

Victim Support Europe

Wales Assembly of Women

Woïyo Kondeye

Women Trafficking and Child Labour Eradication Foundation

Women's Action Group

World Council for Psychotherapy

World Futures Studies Federation

World Rehabilitation Fund

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

Having confirmed at its resumed session in May 2013 that the Secretariat had reminded non-governmental organizations that had continued outstanding quadrennial reports and whose status had been suspended by the Economic and Social Council pursuant to Council decision 2012/222 of 23 July 2012 of their reporting obligation, that it had advised them of the consequences of their further non-compliance after 1 May 2013 and that it had notified the permanent missions of the Member States in which the headquarters of such organizations are based of the final reminders, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

The Economic and Social Council decides, in accordance with its resolution 2008/4 of 21 July 2008, and recalling its decision 2012/222 of 23 July 2012, to withdraw immediately the consultative status of the 159 non-governmental organizations listed below, and requests the Secretariat to advise the concerned organizations of this decision:

A Child Is Missing

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission

Abraham Fund Initiatives

Action pour le développement de l'Afrique à la base

Afghan Development Association

African Center Foundation

African Development Institute

African Refugees Foundation

African Society of International and Comparative Law

Agermanament sense fronteres

Agir pour les femmes en situation précaire

**AIDS Action** 

Alliance Niger-Nature

Andean Commission of Jurists

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Asian Women's Conference Network

Association algerienne d'alphabétisation

Association de défense des Tunisiens à l'étranger

Association de sauvegarde des monuments et sites

Association féminine Tunisie 21

Association for Social Advancement

Association for the Advancement of Education

Association for the Advancement of Psychological Understanding of Human Nature

Association for the Protection of the Environment

Association nationale de soutien aux enfants en difficulté et en institution

Association of Arab-American University Graduates

Association of Garbage Collectors for Community Development

Association of Support to HIV-Infected and Affected Children and Their Families

Association pour la taxation des transactions financières pour l'aide aux citoyens

Association pour le développement harmonieux de la mère et de l'enfant du Cameroun

Association tunisienne des villages d'enfants SOS

Australian Council for International Development

Bangladesh Scholarship Council

Befrienders International

Black Sea University Foundation

Center for Democratic Renewal

Center for Human Rights and Environment

Centre d'étude et de recherche pour l'intégration régionale et le développement de l'Afrique

Centre of Economic and Social Studies of the Third World

Cercle des amis de la forêt pour le 21e siècle

CHANGE

Civic Education Project

Coalition for Community Participation in Governance

College Art Association

Comité international des femmes africaines pour le développement

Commission for the Defense of Human Rights in Central America

Congo Watch

Cooperative Housing Foundation

Coordinating Body of the Indigenous Organizations in the Amazon Basin

Coordination des associations et ONG féminines du Mali

Cousteau Society

Croissant rouge algérien

Data for Development

Education pour la population et la vie familiale

Ethiopian Youth League

Europe 2000

European League for Economic Cooperation

European-Asian-Latin American Institute for Cooperation

Family of the Americas

Family Planning Association of Turkey

Family Planning Movement "Vrancea"

Federación Española de Asociaciones Pro Vida

Fédération de Tunis de solidarité sociale

Fédération des associations des handicapés moteurs

Federation of Muslim Women's Associations in Nigeria

Femme avenir

**FEMVISION** 

Fondation internationale carrefour

Fondation Nicolas Hulot pour la nature et l'homme

Four Directions Council

François-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights

Fundación Sales

Global Alliance for TB Drug Development

Global Metro City: The Glocal Forum

Globe Japan

Goodwill Industries International

Green Earth Organization

Group for Study and Research on Democracy and Economic and Social

Development in Africa

**Human Rights Internet** 

Indian Muslim Federation (United Kingdom)

Information Society of Ukraine

Institut du développement durable et des relations internationales

Inter-American Federation of Touring and Automobile Clubs

International Centre of Sociological, Penal and Penitentiary Research and Studies

International Council on Mining and Metals

International Federation of Agricultural Producers

International Federation of Persons with Physical Disability

International Federation of the Little Brothers of the Poor

**International Medical Corps** 

International Prison Watch

International Self-Reliance Agency for Women

International Union of Public Transport

**International Union of Students** 

**International Young Christian Workers** 

Islamic Heritage Society

Karnataka Manava Vikas Sangha (Human Resources Development Organization)

**Keystone Center** 

Latin American Association of Development Financing Institutions

Latin American Human Rights Association

Liberty International

Life Education Center (US)

Little House of Nazareth

Local Government International Bureau

Lutte contre les violences faites aux femmes et enfants mineurs

MED Forum

Microteam éducation, apprentissage et nouvelles technologies

Mouvement "ni putes ni soumises"

Nadi Al Bassar

National Safety Council

National Union of Ghana Students

National Women's Political Caucus

Nigerian Centre for Research and Documentation

Nigerian Environmental Society

Norwegian Federation of Organizations of Disabled People

Oasis Open City Foundation

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Organisation de la mère maghrébine

Organisation nationale de l'enfance tunisienne

Organization of African Trade Union Unity

Pacific Concerns Resource Centre

People to People International

People's Forum 2001 (Japan)

PEW Institute for Ocean Science

Planetary Society

**ProChoix** 

Program Coordination for Integrated Health

Programme insertion des enfants déshérités

Religious Consultation on Population, Reproductive Health and Ethics

Research Action and Information Network for Bodily Integrity of Women

Rigoberta Menchú Tum Foundation

S.O.S. femmes en détresse

Salubrité, proprété, hygiène et techniques d'assainissement

Samaritan Community Center

Secours populaire libanais

Service Peace and Justice in Latin America

Société tunisienne des sciences médicales

Society for Women and AIDS in Africa

Solidarité africaine pour la préservation de la paix et de l'environnement en République centrafricaine

SOS Drugs International

South American Commission for Peace, Regional Security and Democracy

South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre

Union interafricaine des droits de l'homme

University of Missouri Kansas City Women's Council

Vridhhi

Vrouwen Alliantie

Widows and Orphans Welfare Society of Kenya

Women Justice Program

Women, Law and Development International

Women's Commission Research and Education Fund

Women's Coordinating Committee for the Gulf and Arabian Peninsula

Women's World Organization for Rights, Literature and Development

World Confederation of Labour

World Economic Forum

World Population Society

World University Service

World Women's Christian Temperance Union

WorldSpace Foundation

Worldview International Foundation

WorldWIDE Network Nigeria: Women in Development and Environment

### **Draft decision V**

# Dates of and provisional agenda for the 2014 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council:

- (a) Decides that the 2014 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from 21 to 30 January and on 7 February 2014 and its resumed session from 19 to 28 May and on 6 June 2014;
- (b) Approves the provisional agenda for the 2014 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.

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- 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.
- Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2015 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

# Draft decision VI Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2013 resumed session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2013 resumed session.

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

- 2. The Committee considered agenda items 3 (a), Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, and 3 (b), New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 17th to 28th meetings, held from 20 to 28 May 2013. It had before it the following documents and conference room papers:
- (a) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/2013/R.2/Add.31-47);
- (b) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests by non-governmental organizations for reclassification (E/C.2/2013/R.3/Add.1);
- (c) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2002 to 2013 (E/C.2/2013/CRP.7);

- (d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests by non-governmental organizations for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2013/CRP.8);
- (e) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a request by an organization regarding a change of name (E/C.2/2013/CRP.9).

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

3. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (a), Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from its previous sessions of the Committee, at its 23rd to 28th meetings, held from 23 to 28 May 2013. The Committee considered a total of 180 deferred applications for consultative status.

### **Applications recommended**

4. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to the following 40 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Almanar Voluntary Organization

Associação Brasileira de Celulose e Papel

Association for Integrated Development-Comilla

Association Tierra Incógnita

Assyrian Universal Alliance Americas Chapter

Australian Lesbian Medical Association

Centro Integrado de Estudos e Programas de Desenvolvimento Sustentável

Community Awareness Raising and Advocacy Ventures Around Needs

Coordinadora Andina de Organizaciones Indígenas

Corporación Centro de Estudios de Derecho, Justicia y Sociedad

Eakok Attomanobik Unnayan Sangstha

Educació per a l'Acció Crítica

Family and Life

Freann Financial Services

Fundación DARA Internacional

Global Health and Awareness Research Foundation

Global Wind Energy Council

Heartbeat International Foundation

Homosexuelle Initiative Wien

Human Rights Network (HURINET)

Institute for Practical Idealism

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International Association for Advancement of Space Safety

Lawyers for Lawyers

Living Bread International Church

Moorish Holy Temple of Science/Moorish Science Temple

Omega Research Foundation

Organisation for Gender, Civic Engagement and Youth Development

Rockefeller Foundation

Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung — Gesellschaftsanalyse und Politische Bildung

Scholars at Risk Network

Shikhar Chetna Sangathan

Society for the Policing of Cyberspace

Society of Iranian Women Advocating Sustainable Development of the Environment

South Asia Partnership Pakistan

Stichting Coalition for Work with Psychotrauma and Peace

Turkiye Yesilay Cemiyeti

Women Empowerment Literacy and Development Organization

Women in Alternative Action

Worldwide Coalition for Peace

Young Power in Social Action

### **Applications deferred**

5. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 95 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2013 resumed session:

African Refugee Development Center

Afrikaanse Forum vir Burgerregte

Al-Maqdese for Society Development

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

Asia Catalyst

Asia Center for Human Rights

Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum

Asociación Española para el Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos

Association des populations des montagnes du monde

Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism

**Assyrian National Congress** 

British Columbia Civil Liberties Association

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

Business and Professional Women Voluntary Organization — Sudan

Casa Generalizia della Società del Sacro Cuore

Center for Global Nonkilling

Center for International Policy

Centre pour les droits civils et politiques

Child Rights Information Network

Christian Solidarity Worldwide

Clean Energy Council

Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie

Conservation International Foundation

Defense Small Arms Advisory Council

Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association

Dialogue interreligieux monastique

EarthGame

EG Justice

**EKTA** 

**Equal Rights Trust** 

European Humanist Federation

F N Forbundet

Fondation Alkarama

Ford Foundation

Freedom Now

Geneva Institute for Human Rights

Global Network for Rights and Development

Green Planet

Himalayan Consensus Institute

Hokok Coalición Internacional contra la Impunidad

Human Touch India

India Media Centre

Initiative for Change

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Institute for Human Rights and Business Limited

International Association of Genocide Scholars

International Coalition of Historic Site Museums of Conscience

International Coalition to Ban Uranium Weapons

International Dalit Solidarity Network

International Federation of Liberal Youth

International Human Rights Commission Relief Fund Trust

International Partnership for Human Rights

International Prison Chaplains' Association

**International Space University** 

Iran Human Rights Documentation Center

Islamic African Relief Agency

Jewish Renaissance Foundation

Jewish Voice Ministries International

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

**Kuchlak Welfare Society** 

Kuki Organization for Human Rights Trust

Muslim Aid

National Secular Society

Network for North Korean Democracy and Human Rights

New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative

New World Hope Organization

Organizzazione Internazionale Protezione Animali

Palpung Munishasan Dharmachakra Sangh

Peace X Peace TR

Peoples Development Organization

**Population Matters** 

Prahar

Ray of Hope

Réseau international des droits humains

Sairam Population Research Trust

Scandinavian Institute for Human Rights Norway

Second Amendment Foundation

Segretariato Permanente dei Premi Nobel per la Pace

Sewa Development Trust Sindh

Simons Foundation

Skyian Welfare Organization

Stichting Global Human Rights Defence

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United Hatzalah

United Sikhs

Virtual Activism

Vivegam Godfrey

Wespak Welfare Trust

West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation

Women's Division of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church

Women's Information Center

World Future Council Foundation

World Shelter Organisation

Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Youth Foundation of Bangladesh

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#### **Australian Lesbian Medical Association**

- 6. At its 26th meeting, held on 24 May 2013, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Australian Lesbian Medical Association.
- 7. At the same meeting, the representative of Pakistan posed a question to the organization. Her question was followed by a statement by the representative of Bulgaria, who stated that the members of the Committee had had ample time to consider the responses of the organization to the 54 questions posed to it over seven consecutive sessions. Bulgaria expressed the view that the organization had responded in a comprehensive and satisfactory manner to all of the questions but that its request for consultative status had nevertheless been systematically deferred for reasons unrelated to the criteria contained in Council resolution 1996/31. Bulgaria requested immediate action to recommend granting the organization consultative status, under rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, as clarified by the Chair of the Committee, upon the advice of the Secretary of the Committee.
- 8. Also at the same meeting, the organization was granted consultative status by a roll-call vote of 9 to 6, with 2 abstentions. Seventeen of the 19 members of the Committee were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Belgium, Bulgaria, India, Israel, Nicaragua, Peru, Turkey, United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

Against:

China, Morocco, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sudan.

Abstaining:

Kyrgyzstan, Mozambique.

Absent:

Burundi, Cuba.

- 9. After the vote, statements were made by Member States. The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela stated that her delegation had voted in favour of the organization being granted consultative status, based on the principles of inclusion and justice for diverse sexual identities and in support of all vulnerable groups and minorities without distinction. However, her delegation's support of the organization did not change in any way her delegation's position on the principle of the right of all Committee members to pose questions as they deem necessary. The decisions of the Committee should not be forced, and the delegation did not recognize time as a criterion for justifying any decision. Her delegation reiterated its support to organizations belonging to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) communities and urged the organization under review, upon the granting of its consultative status, to contribute to the work of the United Nations through full cooperation and dialogue with Member States.
- 10. The delegate of the Sudan noted that, earlier during the meeting, delegates had expressed support for the principle of Member States to pose questions to organizations for consideration by the Committee. It was unfortunate that in the case of the organization the Committee had adopted the path of taking a vote, which would have an impact on future applications being considered by the Committee.
- 11. The representative of the United States of America recalled that LGBT organizations had long seen their applications deferred or denied by the Committee, only to have those decisions be overturned by the Council. It was an important day and the United States delegation was thrilled to be witnessing history. It regretted that LGBT organizations would not be able to be recommended for status by consensus, as long as some member States of the Committee continued to block them. It was therefore necessary that the decision be made by vote.
- 12. The delegate of Belgium stated that the application by the organization was one of the oldest on the list of deferred applications. At the outset, Belgium had been convinced that the organization was in full compliance with the Charter of the United Nations and the criteria of Council resolution 1996/31. The organization had been a victim of unfair treatment and discrimination by the Committee, merely because it had provided support and advocacy for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.
- 13. The representative of Israel stated that the recommendation should be seen as a very positive message to all non-governmental organizations, particularly LGBT organizations that feel discriminated against by the Committee.

- 14. The delegate of Bulgaria stated that the Committee had shown its respect for the legitimate interests of the LGBT community and LGBT civil society organizations, whose voices deserved to be heard at the United Nations.
- 15. As a result of the vote, the Committee decided to recommend granting consultative status to the non-governmental organization.

#### Homosexuelle Initiative Wien

- 16. At its 27th meeting, held on 28 May 2013, the Committee considered the application of the non-governmental organization Homosexuelle Initiative Wien.
- 17. At the same meeting, the representatives of the Russian Federation and the Sudan posed additional questions to the organization. The questions were followed by a statement by the representative of Belgium. The representative of Belgium stated that his delegation fully acknowledged paragraph 15 of Council resolution 1996/31, in which the Council indicated that the granting of consultative status was the prerogative of Member States exercised through the Council and the Committee. At the same time, in accordance with paragraph 5 of the resolution, the Council indicated that the Committee should pay particular attention to non-governmental organizations that have special expertise or experience upon which the Council might wish to draw. His delegation believed that the organization had such special expertise. In addition, in keeping with paragraph 8 of the resolution, Austria, the country in which the organization is headquartered, had been consulted and had expressed on several occasions, through written submissions and oral presentations, its full support for the organization. Finally, he stated that the organization's application had been considered by the Committee during several sessions and that the organization had answered many questions. He stated that Belgium thus requested immediate action to recommend the granting of consultative status to the organization, under rule 59 of the rules of procedure of the Council.
- 18. The vote was carried by a roll-call vote of 9 to 6, with 2 abstentions. Seventeen of the 19 members of the Committee were present and voting. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Belgium, Bulgaria, India, Israel, Nicaragua, Peru, Turkey, United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

Against:

China, Morocco, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sudan.

Abstaining:

Kyrgyzstan, Mozambique.

Absent:

Burundi, Cuba.

19. After the vote statements were made by Member States. The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela reiterated that, in considering the application of the organization, her delegation had voted in favour of the organization being granted consultative status, as it had done regarding the Australian Lesbian Medical Association, based on the principles of inclusion and justice for diverse sexual identities and in support of all vulnerable groups and minorities without distinction. However, her delegation's support of the organization did not change in any way her

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delegation's position on the principle of the right of all Committee members to pose questions as they deem necessary. The decisions of the Committee should not be forced, and the delegation did not recognize time as a criterion for justifying any decision. The delegation urged the organization, upon the granting of its consultative status, to contribute to the work of the United Nations in a constructive, transparent and non-selective way, and through full cooperation and dialogue with Member States.

- 20. The delegation of the United States of America stated that it considered the two votes in favour of LGBT organizations to be a monumental achievement since the organizations had been waiting since 2007 to gain their consultative status. The delegation expressed the hope that one day such organizations would be able to be granted consultative status by consensus by the Committee, based on the criteria set out in Council resolution 1996/31 and not on their sexual orientation or gender identity.
- 21. The representative of Israel stated that her delegation was very pleased with the outcome and expressed confidence that the organization would contribute to the work of the Council.
- 22. The delegation of Bulgaria stated that the decision confirmed that the Committee was moving away from the discriminatory practices of the past and was now recognizing the importance of the participation of LGBT organizations in the work of the Council in promoting their message against discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. She stated further that two such votes in a row could not be viewed as an occasional event but that they set the new positive pattern of the Committee with regard to LGBT organizations.
- 23. The delegation of the Sudan stated it regretted that the Committee had diverted from the standing practice set out in paragraph 15 of Council resolution 1996/31. Rushing towards action in the consideration of certain organizations had become a regrettable precedent of the Committee, which would not be helpful for its future work. He stressed the need to maintain consensus, as that had been the original intention of the work of the Committee.
- 24. The representative of Belgium believed that the organization had done reputable work in the field of human rights.
- 25. As a result of the vote, the Committee decided to recommend granting consultative status to the non-governmental organization.

## Applications closed without prejudice

26. At its 30th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 45 non-governmental organizations that had not responded to the Committee's questions despite three reminders sent to the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I (e)).

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

27. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (b), New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 17th to 23rd meetings, held from

20 to 23 May 2013. The Committee considered a total of 246 new applications for consultative status.

#### New applications recommended

28. Of the 246 non-governmental organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 121 should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service (Victoria)

Access Bangladesh Foundation

Action for Peace through Prayer and Aid

Action Secours Ambulance

Aequalia

Africa Peace Forum

African Artists for Development

African Palliative Care Association

**AIDS Vaccine Advocacy Coalition** 

Akademsko Drustvo za Medunarodne Odnose

Alsalam Foundation

American Diabetes Association

Arab African American Womens' Leadership Council

Asociacion Gilberto

Asociación HazteOir.org

Association camerounaise pour la prise en charge de la personne âgée

Association for Protection of Refugee and Internally Displaced Women and Children

Association internationale des médecins pour la promotion de l'éducation et de la santé en Afrique

Association mouvement pour la défense de l'humanité et abolition de la torture

Association pour le développement des initiatives citoyennes et européennes

Association togolaise d'étude, de recherche et d'appui au développement humain durable

Association trait d'union des jeunes burkinabé

Auspice Stella

Autre vie

Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee

Barka Foundation

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Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace

Centro Mexico de Derecho Ambiental

Centro Panafricano Kituo Cha Wanafrika

China Soong Ching Ling Foundation

Collectif des femmes africaines du Hainaut

Comisión Mexicana de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos

Commission on Voluntary Service and Action

Community Research and Development Centre

Competitiveness Company

Conserve Africa Foundation

Consortium Congo Development

Contact Base

Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunales, Comunitarias, Indígenas y Campesinas de la Republica de Colombia

Corporativa de Fundaciones

**Drug Abuse Prevention Centre** 

Earthquakes and Megacities Initiative

Eastern Alliance for Safe and Sustainable Transport

Ecoforum of Non-Governmental Organizations of Uzbekistan

Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance

Equal Right to Life

European Window Film Association

Family Educational Services Foundation

Feminenza Kenya

Fondation Nature et Vie

Fondation pour le dialogue des civilisations

Foundation for Autism Support and Training

Foundation for Responsible Media

Friends of the Global Fund Africa

Global Campaign for Climate Action

Global Environment and Technology Foundation

Global Political Trends Center

Global Race Against Poverty and HIV/AIDS in Nigeria

Global Welfare Association

Groupe d'action pour la protection et la promotion de la flore et la faune

Groupe d'économie solidaire du Québec

**HEDA Resource Centre** 

Help A Child Africa

Ideal World Foundation

Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya

Impacto

**Indian Dreams Foundation** 

Institute for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding

Institute of Economic Strategies

**Integrated Development Services** 

Inter-Faith Vision Foundation Cameroon

International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges

International Federation of Hard of Hearing Young People

Islamic Foundation

Jeunes volontaires pour l'environnement

John Dau Foundation

Jordanian Women Union

Karabakh Foundation

Leprosy Mission International

Lift Up Care Foundation

Maasai Youth Outreach Organization

Medical Emergency Relief International

Merciful Assistance Foundation

Merry Year Foundation

Montage Initiative

Mothers Legacy Project

Network for Women's Rights in Ghana

NeuroCare Ethiopia

Observatorio Regional para la Mujer de América Latina y el Caribe

People's Development Initiatives

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Prevention Association of Social Harms

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Rede Latino Americana de Organizações Não Governamentais de Pessoas com Deficiência e Suas Famílias

Reforestamos México

Religous of the Sacred Heart of Mary

Rescue and Hope

Royal Academy of Science International Trust

Rural Health Care Foundation

Sadguru Sadafaldeo Vihangam Yoga Sansthan

Scouts du Niger

Shushilan

Somali Help-Age Association

Soroptimist International Great Britain and Ireland

streetfootballworld

Suomen YK-liitto Ry

Support Home of God Project

Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation

Sustainable Development Institute

Sustainable Rural Community Development Organisation

Technical Centre for Fine Art and Computer Studies

Turkiye Isadamlari ve Sanayiciler Konfederasyonu

U.S. Azeris Network

Vance Center

Women Awareness Center Nepal

World Hepatitis Alliance

World Kabaddi Federation

World Public Forum — Dialogue of Civilizations

Yogaathma Foundation

Youngstars Foundation International

Youth Alliance for Leadership and Development in Africa

Youth Path Organisation

#### New applications deferred

29. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 124 non-governmental organizations pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2013 resumed session:

Action on Armed Violence

Advocates for International Development

AFD International Belgium

African Rights Initiative International

Akshaya Patra Foundation

Al-Dameer Association for Supporting Prisoners and Human Rights

All India Dhanak Organisation

Allied Rainbow Communities International

Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace

Arab Association for Human Rights

Arab Center for the Development of the Rule of Law and Integrity

Ark Foundation, Ghana

Asociacion Internacional de Juristas por el Sáhara Occidental

Asocijacija za Demokratsku Inicijativu

Association for Trauma Outreach and Prevention

Association Internationale Soufie Alawiyya

Association pour la santé et la prévention des maladies tropicales

Associazione Nazionale Produttori Armi e Munizioni Sportive e Civili

Avocats sans frontières

Basic Health International

Berlin Civil Society Center

Breakthrough

Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute

Center for Military Human Rights, Korea

Centre for Environment Education

Children's Project International

Climate Parliament

Committee to Protect Journalists

Common Era

Congrès national des arméniens occidentaux

Conselho Federal da Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil

Curia Generalizia Agostiniana

Database Center for North Korean Human Rights

Diplomaten fur internationale Verbindungen von Mensch unt Wirtschaft

Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America

Down Syndrome International

Earth Charter Associates

EMDR Humanitarian Assistance Programs

Equipo Latinoamericano de Justicia y Género

Ethiopia Change and Development Association

Europe Against Drugs

Foundation for Development Cooperation

Foundation for the International Network of Museums for Peace

Frankfurt School of Finance and Management

Freedom from Hunger

Freedom, Legality and Rights in Europe

Fundacion Interamericana para el Desarrollo de la Gestión Social

Fundacion Proyecto Solidario por la Infancia

Gargar Foundation for Development

Global Corps of Jewish Diplomats

Global Spatial Data Infrastructure

Grameen Shakti

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

Harm Reduction Coalition

Hope Foundation NGO

Human Life International

IBUKA — mémoire et justice — section suisse

Indo-Global Social Service Society

InnerCity Mission of Christ Embassy

Institut de Drets Humans de Catalunya

Institute for Economics and Peace

Institute for Justice and Reconciliation

Institute for Multicultural Counseling and Education Services

Institute of Development Studies

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations

International Falcon Movement — Socialist Educational International

International Food and Beverage Alliance

International House

International Mediation Institute

International MotherBaby Childbirth Organization

International Voice of Justice

Internationale Vrije Vrouwen Stichting

Islamic Research and Information Artistic and Cultural Institute

Jamaicans for Justice

James Madison University

Jewish National Fund (Keren Kayemeth Le Israel)

Jssor Youth Organization

Kasheer Foundation

Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy

La Palabre-Het Palabre

Law Enforcement Against Prohibition Educational Fund

Mindanao Land Acquisition, Housing and Development Foundation

Muslim Hands

National YWCA of Korea

Natural Justice

Ningim Hope Alive Foundation

Nomadéis

Non-Governmental Organization Federation of Nepal

Observatoire international pour la non violence — communes des nations pour la paix

Operation ASHA

Optimistes sans frontières

Pakistan Fisherfolk Forum

Pakistan Youth Organization

Partners in Health

Peace and Hope International

Phelps Stokes

Plus Development Foundation

Promo-LEX

Rassemblement des frères unis pour le développement socio-culturel

Reach Out

Rehabilitators

Results Educational Fund

Safe Society

Scottish Refugee Council

Sheikh Eid Bin Mohammad Al Thani Charitable Association

Society for Human Rights and Prisoners Aid

Solar Electric Light Fund

Solutions for Health and Development

Stichting Global Forest Coalition

Structural Analysis of Cultural Systems

Students' Relief Society

Swadhikar

The Law Society

Women's Welfare Trust

World Association for al-Azhar Graduates

Union Women's Center

United Nations of Youth Network, Nigeria

Vues et voix

Yemen Family Care Association

Young Women's Christian Association of Australia

Youth of European Nationalities

Zaka Rescue and Recovery

Zanjireh Omid International Charity Institute

Zoological Society of London

#### **Requests for reclassification**

30. At its 23rd and 28th meetings, held on 23 and 28 May 2013, respectively, the Committee considered three requests for reclassification of consultative status, which included two new requests for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2013/R.3/Add.1 and conference room paper E/C.2/2013/CRP.8. It decided to recommend reclassification of status for one organization from special to general consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (b)):

World Society for the Protection of Animals

31. At its 28th meeting, held on 28 May 2013, the Committee decided to defer its consideration of the applications for reclassification of status of the following organizations:

International Eurasia Press Fund

World Council for Curriculum and Instruction

#### Requests for name change

32. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee considered one request for a change of name by a non-governmental organization in consultative status, as contained in conference room paper E/C.2/2013/CRP.9. It decided to take note of the following change of name (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)):

National Committee for UNIFEM, Japan (special, 2007) to Japan National

Committee for UN-Women

33. At the same meeting, the Committee considered one deferred request for a change of name by the non-governmental organization Suzanne Mubarak Women's International Peace Movement, as contained in conference room paper E/C.2/2013/CRP.10. The Committee decided to further defer the request until its 2014 regular session.

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

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

34. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee had before it a conference room paper listing 22 quadrennial reports submitted by 17 non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status on their activities during the period 1999-2010, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (see E/C.2/2013/CRP.15). The Committee took note of none of the quadrennial reports and decided to defer further its consideration of them. The list is as follows:

Amnesty International (2008-2011)

Armenian Assembly of America (2007-2010)

Asociatia Pro Democratia (2007-2010)

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

France libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2007-2010)

Freedom House (2007-2010)

Human Rights First (2007-2010)

International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)

International PEN (2006-2009)

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

International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)

National Council of Women of Thailand (2000-2003)

Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2005-2008, 2001-2004)

Suzanne Mubarak Women's International Peace Movement (2007-2010)

Syriac Universal Alliance (2007-2010)

Ukranian World Congress (2007-2010, 2003-2006)

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

35. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, 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 113 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2013/2/Add.21-26 and E/C.2/2013/CRP.11). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 112 of those organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of the report of the following non-governmental organization:

EarthRights International

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

- 36. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee considered agenda item 6 (c), Other related matters. The Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent several notifications to the non-governmental organizations that had not fulfilled the requirement to submit quadrennial reports in 2012, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4. The Secretariat indicated that it had also sought assistance from the permanent missions to the United Nations of the countries where the non-governmental organizations have their headquarters.
- 37. In that regard, the Committee adopted a draft decision recommending that the Council suspend, for a period of one year, the consultative status of 154 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 II). 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 have their headquarters.

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

38. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, in accordance with Council resolution 2008/4 and Council decision 2011/230, the Committee decided to recommend reinstatement of the consultative status of 43 non-governmental organizations, upon receipt of their pending quadrennial reports prior to the termination of the suspension period (see chap. I, draft decision III).

## E. Withdrawal of consultative status of non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports

- 39. At the 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Secretariat informed the Committee that it had sent several notifications to the non-governmental organizations that were already on the list of non-governmental organizations suspended for one year due to outstanding quadrennial reports, pursuant to Council resolution 2008/4, and that it had not received any response from 159 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 have their headquarters.
- 40. Accordingly, the Committee decided to recommend that the Council withdraw the consultative status of the 159 non-governmental organizations with continued outstanding quadrennial reports, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Council resolution 2008/4 and recalling decision 2012/222 (see chap. I, draft decision IV). The Committee further requested the Secretariat 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 have their headquarters.

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

- 41. At its 17th meeting, held on 20 May 2013, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat; agenda item 6, Review of the methods of work of the Committee, 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; and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network. It also heard oral reports delivered by the Secretariat.
- 42. The Branch highlighted the need for increased resources to provide much-needed financial and human resources support to the paperless system, with a focus on maximizing its efficiency in meeting the increased workload of the Committee. It was also brought to the attention of the Committee that in order to adequately support all complementary areas of resolution 1996/31, the Committee should consider ways to support the Branch's efforts.

# 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

43. Delegations requested more time to consider issues that could contribute to improve the working methods of the Committee. Informal consultations would be held to address those at a later stage.

## Statements by non-governmental organizations at the substantive session of the Council in 2013

44. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee took note of the requests submitted by 76 non-governmental organizations in consultative status to be heard by the Council at its substantive session of 2013, as contained in conference room paper E/2013/C.2/2013/CRP.16, as follows:

Abiodun Adebayo Welfare Foundation (special, 2012)

Academic Council on the United Nations System (general, 1996)

Action aides aux familles démunies (special, 2002)

Action Canada for Population and Development (special, 2004)

Action sensibilisation sur les nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication (special, 2011)

African Citizens Development Foundation (special, 2009)

Assemblea delle Donne per lo Sviluppo e la Lotta Contro l'Esclusione Sociale (special, 2008)

Association des états généraux des étudiants de l'Europe (special, 1998)

Association des jeunes pour l'agriculture du Mali (special, 2012)

Association mauritanienne pour la promotion du droit (special, 2011)

Association points-coeur (special, 2005)

Biovision Stiftung für ökologische Entwicklung (general, 2012)

Cancer Aid Society (special, 2012)

Center for Africa Development and Progress (special, 2012)

Center for Practice-Oriented Feminist Science (special, 2001)

Centro di Ricerca e Documentazione Febbraio 74 (general, 1998)

Child Helpline International (special, 2011)

China Energy Fund Committee (special, 2011)

Collectif sénégalais des africaines pour la promotion de l'éducation relative à l'environnement (special, 1998)

Comiténational d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme (special, 1998)

Confédération éuropéenne des cadres (special, 2012)

Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (general, 2002)

Convention of Independent Financial Advisors (special, 2007)

Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement — Bwaise Facility (special, 2011)

EUROSOLAR Turkey (special, 2006)

Federación Internacional de Asociaciones de Ayuda Social, Ecológica y Cultural (special, 2007)

Fundación Eudes (special, 2010)

Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo (special, 2004)

Gazeteciler ve Yazarlar Vakfi (general, 2012)

Hydroaid (special, 2011)

Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society (special, 2010)

Innovation: Africa (special, 2012)

Institute of International Social Development (special, 2000)

International Committee for Arab-Israeli Reconciliation (special, 2006)

International Council of Scientific Unions (special, 1971)

International Federation for Family Development (general, 1999)

International Federation for Home Economics (special, 1981)

International Federation of University Women (special, 1947)

International Human Rights and Anti-Corruption Society (special, 2012)

International Ontopsychology Association (special, 1999)

International Sustainable Energy Organisation for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (special, 2010)

Internet Society (special, 2010)

Interregional Union of Life Help for Mentally Handicapped Persons "Sail of Hope" (special, 2002)

IUS PRIMI VIRI International Association (special, 2004)

KARP (special, 2012)

Legião da Boa Vontade (general, 1999)

Major Alliance Education Centre (special, 2012)

Manavata (special, 2012)

National Council of Child Rights Advocates, Nigeria (south-west zone) (special, 2011)

New Future Foundation (special, 2008)

Objectif sciences international (special, 2011)

Observatorio Mexicano de la Crisis (special, 2012)

ONG Hope International (general, 2011)

Organisation mondiale des associations pour l'éducation prénatale (special, 2005)

Organisation pour la communication en Afrique et de promotion de la cooperation économique internationale (special, 2008)

Osservatorio per la Comunicazione Culturale e l'Audiovisivo nel Mediterraneo e nel Mondo (special, 2005)

Pos Keadilan Peduli Ummat (special, 2008)

Save the Children International (general, 1993)

Shanta Memorial Rehabilitation Centre (special, 2011)

Social Initiatives Support Fund (special, 2011)

Society for Human Advancement and Disadvantaged Empowerment (special, 2011)

Society for Upliftment of Masses (special, 1999)

Society to Support Children Suffering from Cancer (special, 2001)

St. Petersburg Institute of Bioregulation and Gerontology of the North-Western Branch of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences (special, 2010)

Sudanese Women General Union (special, 2007)

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

Unión de Asociaciones Familiares (special, 2005)

United Cities and Local Governments (general, 1947)

Unnayan Onneshan (special, 2012)

Virtue Foundation (special, 2005)

Women's Health and Education Organization (special, 2008)

WOOMB International (special, 2012)

World Jewellery Confederation (special, 2006)

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

Yakutia — Our Opinion (special, 2012)

Yemeni Women Union (special, 2005)

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

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

## VII. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2014 session of the Committee

- 46. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee considered agenda item 9, Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2014 session of the Committee, and had before it the draft provisional agenda for its 2014 session (E/C.2/2013/L.1).
- 47. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council the following dates for the sessions in 2014: 27 January 2014 to 5 February 2014 and 14 February 2014 for its 2014 regular session; and 19 to 28 May and 6 June 2014 for its 2014 resumed session.
- 48. At its 30th meeting, held on 30 May 2013, the Committee decided to change the dates for the regular session in 2014 as follows: 21 to 30 January and 7 February 2014.

#### VIII. Organization of the session

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

49. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2013 resumed session from 20 to 29 May and on 7 June 2013. The Committee held 14 meetings.

#### B. Attendance

- 50. The session was attended by all 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-member States, representatives of organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants is contained in document E/C.2/2013/INF/1.
- 51. At its 2013 resumed session, the Committee heard 20 representatives of the 43 non-governmental organizations attending, who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate, work and decision-making process of the Committee.

#### C. Agenda

- 52. The agenda (E/C.2/2013/1) for the 2013 regular and resumed session reads as follows:
  - 1. Election of officers.
  - 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

- 3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
  - (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
  - (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
  - (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
- 4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
  - (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
  - (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.
- 5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat.
- 6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
  - (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
  - (b) Consideration of issues on the agenda of the informal working group;
  - (c) Other related matters.
- 7. Consideration of special reports.
- 8. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.
- 9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2014 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

#### D. Documentation

53. The list of documents before the Committee at its 2013 resumed session will be issued as document E/C.2/2013/INF/2.

## IX. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2013 resumed session

- 54. At its 29th meeting, held on 29 May 2013, the Committee took note of the draft report and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize the report with the support of the Secretariat and in consultation with the members of the Committee, as appropriate, with a view to its submission to the Economic and Social Council for appropriate action.
- 55. At its 30th meeting, held on 7 June 2013, the Committee adopted the present report.