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Letter dated 27 March 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

I refer to my letter dated 15 January 2002 (S/2002/67) and its annex, which set out a work programme for the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) (the Counter-Terrorism Committee) for the second 90-day period. I attach herewith the Counter-Terrorism Committee's work programme for the third 90-day period (see annex).

The Committee continues to welcome the support it has received so far from the United Nations membership in the implementation of its mandate and looks forward to continuing cooperation in the coming work period. The Committee will continue to operate even-handedly and transparently in its work. As Chairman, I will continue to brief the wider membership regularly.

In its third 90-day period, the Committee will continue to focus on the reports submitted by States pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001). In this work period, the Committee's dialogue with States will deepen as it begins to receive and study follow-up reports submitted by States. The Committee calls upon the 54 States that have not yet submitted a first report to do so as quickly as possible.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the present letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jeremy Greenstock
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Security Council Committee
established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001)
concerning counter-terrorism

Annex to the letter dated 27 March 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

Work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee (28 March-25 June 2002)

The present document sets out the work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee for its third 90 days from the adoption of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) (i.e., the period from 28 March to 25 June 2002). This work programme updates the programme submitted for the second 90-day period.

Summary

The Committee will:

• Maintain an informative web site on its activities, including an online directory of available assistance (see paras. 4 and 6 below);

By 31 May:

- Have completed the review of the first set of reports (para. 3);
- Have established at least initial contacts with all regional, subregional and international institutions concerned with counter-terrorism or organized to set up counter-terrorism programmes (para. 5);

By 25 June:

• Have begun to review the second set of reports (para. 3).

Detail

- 1. Contact points. The Counter-Terrorism Committee has taken steps to facilitate dialogue with States and relevant international, regional and subregional organizations and between States about the matters covered by resolution 1373 (2001) through the publication of a directory of contact points. The Committee will continue to update the directory at regular intervals. It encourages all States to strengthen cooperation on the matters covered by resolution 1373 (2001).
- 2. Advisers to the Committee. A group of independent experts has been appointed by the Secretariat with the approval of the Committee to advise it on its work. The Committee will retain a group of six experts to review the reports submitted by States pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001) during the coming work period. An additional expert will advise the Committee on matters concerning the provision of assistance to States in implementing the resolution. The Secretariat has identified a wider pool of experts who will be available to advise the Committee as required and will continue to gather the curricula vitae of candidates nominated by States.
- 3. Reporting by States. The Committee and its subcommittees will continue to review the reports submitted by States pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001). The Committee had by the end of the second 90-day period received 142 reports and had concluded its initial consideration of 42 reports. It will continue to

review the reports as they are issued. The Committee will aim by 31 May to have completed an initial review of all reports submitted so far. The Committee has informed each State of a time line for the submission of a further report. The earliest follow-up reports are expected by 7 June. The Committee will then begin to conduct a second review of the state of implementation by countries of resolution 1373 (2001). The Committee urges all States that have not yet submitted a report to do so as soon as possible and to inform the Committee Secretary of the anticipated timetable for submission. The Committee will follow up urgently with those States.

- 4. Assistance. The Committee has established a directory of sources of advice and expertise in the areas covered by resolution 1373 (2001). It encourages all States and international, regional and subregional organizations to submit information to the directory. It will be updated immediately as new information is submitted. Member States requiring assistance may so inform the Committee either in their reports or separately at any time. The Committee will continue its contacts with potential assistance providers.
- 5. Dialogue with regional and subregional organizations. The Committee has taken steps to establish a dialogue with a number of international, regional and subregional organizations on the matters covered by resolution 1373 (2001). The Committee intends to broaden its contacts to embrace international institutions and organizations that have or intend to have counter-terrorism programmes. It will intensify this dialogue in the coming work period to encourage these organizations to play an active and coordinated role in facilitating cooperation between States on counter-terrorism matters in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and relevant Security Council resolutions. It intends to invite such organizations to liaise with the Committee on the steps taken.
- 6. Transparency in the work of the Committee. The Committee will continue to communicate regularly information on its activities, including through briefings by the Chairman. It will also maintain an informative web site on its activities. (The web site can be found at http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/committees/1373/.)

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