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I. MATTERS THAT REQUIRE ACTION BY, OR THAT ARE BROUGHT TO  
THE ATTENTION OF, THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

1. During its session held at Headquarters from 10 to 14 March 1975, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations adopted recommendations and decisions that (a) require action by the Economic and Social Council, or (b) appear to require being brought specifically to the attention of the Council. The recommendations and decisions are listed below under the corresponding headings of chapters and sections of this report.

APPLICATIONS AND REAPPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS  
AND REQUESTS FOR RECLASSIFICATION RECEIVED FROM  
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (chapter II)

Recommendations requiring action by the Council

Requests for reclassification

The Committee recommended to the Council that four non-governmental organizations be reclassified to category I and that three others be reclassified to category II as follows:

Category I

International Alliance of Women - Equal Rights, Equal Responsibilities (IAW)  
International Organization for Standardization (ISO)  
World Assembly of Youth (WAY)  
World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY)

Category II

International League of Societies for the Mentally Handicapped  
International Senior Citizens Association, Inc., The  
Latin American Association of Finance Development Institutions (ALIDE)

New applications for consultative status

The Committee recommended that one non-governmental organization be given category I consultative status, three organizations be given category II and 10 others be placed on the Roster as follows:

Category I

Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU)

Category II

International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)  
International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association  
(IPIECA)  
International University Exchange Fund

Roster

Commission to Study the Organization of Peace  
International Federation of the Blind, The  
International Federation on Ageing  
National Organization for Women (NOW)  
OISCA - International (Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural  
Advancement - International)  
Pax Christi, International Catholic Peace Movement  
Quota International, Incorporated  
United Nations of Yoga (UNY)  
United Way of America  
World Federation of Christian Life Communities

Action brought to the attention of the Council

The Committee decided that the attention of the Economic and Social Council should be drawn to the criteria governing the classification of regional non-governmental organizations, a question on which the Committee believed that Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968 was not sufficiently specific.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS  
OF THE COMMITTEE AND OF COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 1739 (LIV) AND  
1740 (LIV) (chapter III)

Matters brought to the attention of the Council

The Committee took note with appreciation of the report submitted by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/768) in response to recommendations of the Committee and of Council resolutions 1739 (LIV) and 1740 (LIV) of 4 May 1973. However, the Committee was not in a position to make final recommendations to the Council on the various proposals contained in the report (para. 13).

Relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations

There was general appreciation of the Secretary-General's proposals to undertake the studies outlined in the report for strengthening and improving the relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations (para. 14).

OTHER BUSINESS (chapter IV)

Matters brought to the attention of the Council

Revision of the rules of procedure of the Council related to the work of the Committee

There was no objection by the Committee to the proposed changes to those parts of the rules of procedure of the Council that relate to the work of the Committee. The Committee noted the proposals of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations whereby (a) a provision would be included in the Council's rules of procedure to extend the length of joint statements beyond that established for statements by single organizations and (b) when joint statements were submitted, that organizations on the Roster might associate themselves with organizations in categories I and II and appear on the list of signatories (para. 29).

Membership of the Committee

Several representatives were of the opinion that the membership of the Committee should be enlarged. The Committee appealed to all States Members of the United Nations to fill the seats so that the views of all the regional groups could be reflected in the work of the Committee (para. 30).

II. APPLICATIONS AND REAPPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS  
AND REQUESTS FOR RECLASSIFICATION RECEIVED FROM  
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

2. On the basis of information submitted by non-governmental organizations as well as of additional information requested by members of the Committee in certain cases, the Committee decided to recommend 5 organizations for category I, 6 organizations for category II and 10 organizations for the Roster. Consideration of the applications of eight organizations for consultative status was deferred to the next session of the Committee.

A. Requests for reclassification

International Alliance of Women - Equal Rights, Equal Responsibilities

The organization applied for reclassification to category I.

The representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, supported by the representatives of the Netherlands, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Ghana, Tunisia and the United States of America, proposed that the organization be recommended for category I.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be reclassified to category I.

International League of Societies for the Mentally Handicapped

The organization applied for reclassification to category II.

The representative of the United States of America, supported by the representatives of the United Kingdom, France, the Netherlands and Kenya, proposed that the organization be reclassified to category II.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category II.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

The organization applied for reclassification to category I.

The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, supported by the representatives of the United States of America, Japan and France, proposed that the organization be reclassified to category I.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category I.

International Senior Citizens Association, Inc., The

The organization applied for reclassification to category II.

The representative of Ghana proposed that the organization be reclassified to category II.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization's reclassification to category II.

Latin American Association of Finance Development Institutions (ALIDE)

The organization applied for reclassification to category II.

The representative of Tunisia, supported by the representatives of the United States of America and the United Kingdom, proposed that the organization be reclassified to category II.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for reclassification to category II.

Mutual Assistance of the Latin American Government Oil Companies (ARPEL)

The organization applied for reclassification to category II.

The Committee sought further information on this organization, but the information was not forthcoming.

Accordingly, the Committee decided to defer consideration of the application to the next session.

World Assembly of Youth (WAY)

The organization applied for reclassification to category I.

The representative of the United States of America, supported by the representatives of France, Ghana, the Netherlands and Kenya, proposed that the application be granted.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category I.

World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY)

The organization applied for reclassification to category I.

The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, supported by the representative of Ghana, proposed that the organization be reclassified to category I.



One representative expressed reservations on the granting of category I status to the organization.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be reclassified to category I.

B. New applications for consultative status

Commission to Study the Organization of Peace

The organization had requested category II status.

The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, supported by the representatives of Japan, Ghana and Tunisia, proposed that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The representative of France emphasized that admittance to status was too often based on paragraph 9 of Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) rather than on paragraph 4.

Committee for European Construction Equipment

The Committee felt that more information would be required on this application and therefore decided to defer its consideration to the next session.

European Container Manufacturers' Committee

On a proposal by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the Committee decided to defer consideration of this application to the next session.

Ibero-American Institute of Aeronautic and Space Law and Commercial Aviation

The representative of France, supported by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, regretted that the information supplied was not adequate to adopt a decision immediately.

The Committee sought further information but since it was not forthcoming decided to defer consideration of this application to the next session.

International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)

The representative of Ghana, supported by the representative of Kenya, proposed that the organization be recommended for category II.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category II.

The International Federation of the Blind

The representative of France, supported by the representative of the Netherlands, proposed that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for the Roster.

International Federation on Ageing

The representative of Japan, supported by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom, Tunisia and Ghana, proposed that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The representative of the United States of America proposed that the organization be recommended for category I.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

International Petroleum Industry Environmental Conservation Association (IPIECA)

The organization had requested category II status.

The representative of Japan, supported by the representatives of Tunisia, the United States of America, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom, proposed that the organization be recommended for category II. In reply to a question, the representative of the Association stated that membership of the Association was open to all national and international petroleum enterprises.

The Committee decided to recommend it for category II.

International University Exchange Fund

The organization applied for category II status.

The representative of the Netherlands, supported by the representatives of Ghana, Kenya and the United States of America, proposed that the organization be recommended for category II.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category II.

International Youth Confederation (INTERJUV)

The organization applied for category I status.

The Committee sought further information on the organization, but since the organization was not represented, the information was not forthcoming.

Accordingly, the Committee decided to defer consideration of this application to the next session.

National Organization for Women (NOW)

The representative of the United States of America proposed that the organization be recommended for category II status.

The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics recommended that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

OISCA - International (Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement - International)

The representative of Ghana, supported by the representatives of Japan, Kenya and Tunisia, proposed that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

Organization of African Trade Union Unity

The organization applied for category I status.

The representative of Ghana, supported by the representatives of Japan, Kenya, the Netherlands, Tunisia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, proposed that the organization be recommended for category I. The observer of the Organization of African Unity also supported the proposal.

The Committee decided to recommend the organization for category I.

Although the Committee recognized that its decision was in accordance with the provisions of Council resolution 1296 (XLIV), some representatives stated that, in view of the practice that had been followed hitherto, the action should not become a precedent. The representative of France differed on the latter point. The Committee therefore decided to draw the attention of the Economic and Social Council to the criteria governing the classification of regional non-governmental organizations, on which the Committee believed resolution 1296 (XLIV) was not sufficiently specific.

Pax Christi, International Catholic Peace Movement

The representative of the Netherlands proposed that the organization be given consultative status. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was opposed to granting the organization category II status, but proposed that it be placed on the Roster. The representative of Japan supported the recommendation that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

Quota International, Incorporated

The representative of Tunisia, supported by the representatives of the United Kingdom and the United States of America, proposed that the organization be recommended for the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

Solomon Fuller Institute, Inc., The

Some representatives felt that additional information was required on this application.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of the organization to the next session.

United Nations of Yoga (UNY)

The organization had requested category I status.

The representative of France, supported by the representatives of Japan, the United Kingdom, Kenya and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, proposed that the organization be placed on the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

United Way of America

The representative of the United States of America, supported by the representatives of Japan, Ghana and the United Kingdom, proposed that the organization be recommended for the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

World Council of Credit Unions, Inc.

The Committee sought further information on this application, but since the organization was not in a position to send a representative or supply further information, it was decided to defer consideration of this application to the next session.

World Development Movement

The organization had requested category II status.

The representative of the United Kingdom, supported by Ghana, proposed that the organization be recommended for the Roster.

Some representatives expressed concern at the limited membership, political orientation and lack of information concerning the organization.

The Committee decided to recommend that consideration of the application be deferred to the next session.

World Federation of Christian Life Communities

The representative of the Netherlands, supported by the representative of France, proposed that the organization be recommended for the Roster.

The Committee decided to recommend that the organization be placed on the Roster.

III. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE AND OF COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 1739 (LIV) and 1740 (LIV)

3. The Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General (E/C.2/768). The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs.
4. The Under-Secretary-General noted the need for more active and creative co-operation between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations and for strengthening the administrative structure for working with those organizations in order to fully achieve a more rational and responsive system of relations with them.
5. He referred to a number of recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General designed to achieve a more beneficial and constructive relationship, not only to improve co-ordination with non-governmental organizations at Headquarters but also to strengthen provisions for liaison with them at the United Nations Office at Geneva.
6. With respect to improving co-ordination with non-governmental organizations at Headquarters, the Under-Secretary-General proposed four possible alternatives:
  - (a) The continuation, on a more regular basis, of informal meetings among members of the Secretariat who deal with non-governmental organizations;
  - (b) The strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs which would enable it to serve as a clearing-house and play an active co-ordinating role;
  - (c) The establishment of a separate central office to co-ordinate the activities of those units in charge of liaison with non-governmental organizations through facilitating consultations between non-governmental organizations and the Secretariat, and the development of common policies with a view to avoiding duplication of effort for working with the departments and agencies concerned;

(d) The establishment of a centre for non-governmental organizations, combining the staff and activities of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Office of Public Information, thus enhancing co-ordination of relations between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations and implementing the recommendations contained in the Secretary-General's report without additional staffing. It was recognized that (b) and (c) above would require additional resources. The distinction between the status, rights and responsibilities of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and those listed with the Office of Public Information would be scrupulously and vigorously maintained.

7. The Under-Secretary-General observed the need to continue to review the relationship between non-governmental organizations and the United Nations and reported that an interdepartmental committee, composed of representatives of several departments and programmes of the United Nations and open to all interested departments, programmes and organizations would be established to advance this objective. The interdepartmental committee would formulate appropriate policies and programmes to further a co-ordinated and effective approach to relations with non-governmental organizations and would continue to review relations between the United Nations and the non-governmental organizations.

8. In conclusion, the Under-Secretary-General noted that in the many efforts to seek to improve and enhance the relationship between non-governmental organizations and the United Nations, the deliberations of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had been an essential part of the process and had been of great value. With the new opportunities and responsibilities which had arisen for both the United Nations and non-governmental organizations, he was convinced of the critical importance of developing closer relationships.

9. A representative of the Assistant Secretary-General, Office of Public Information, suggested a fifth alternative which involved a distinction between the functions of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Office of Public Information and those of other units of the Secretariat dealing with NGOs. He also stated that the Office of Public Information would retain its Non-Governmental Organizations Section, which would continue to function as an integral part of the Office and in close collaboration with all other services dealing with non-governmental organizations.

10. The President of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council reviewed the activities of the NGO committees on disarmament, development and human rights during the past year. These included meetings devoted to an exchange of views among non-governmental organizations and with members of delegations and the Secretariat on the issues before various United Nations bodies. The President also referred to the International NGO Conference against Apartheid and Colonialism in Africa held at Geneva in 1974; the Population Tribune, an activity parallel to the World Population Conference; and the participation of NGOs in the World Food Conference. Plans were under way for similar conferences in the future, one of which would be on migrants, another an International Women's Year Tribune in Mexico City, and a third a Vancouver Habitat Forum. The valuable precedent of the papers Planet and Pan was mentioned.



11. In connexion with E/C.2/768, the President emphasized the need for consideration of the relations between NGOs and General Assembly bodies. It was also important to strengthen the services of the United Nations devoted to facilitating the consultative process. Special attention must be given to increasing the services available at Geneva, especially as many non-governmental organization headquarters were closer to that United Nations office than to New York. She also urged the necessity for providing United Nations services to the collective activities of non-governmental organizations, such as meeting rooms, interpretation for important conferences, and support of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations. In view of the significance of the recommendations of the General Assembly at its sixth special session, non-governmental organizations were considering special efforts in connexion with the seventh special session. She expressed the hope that the Committee would support these projects and that the United Nations would co-operate in the necessary arrangements.
12. The representatives of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund made brief statements concerning their respective arrangements with non-governmental organizations. The directives were before the Committee in two conference room papers and document E/ICEF/Misc.187. The representative of UNICEF also welcomed the initiative of the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs in encouraging a more fully co-ordinated system for non-governmental organizations.
13. The Committee took note with appreciation of the report submitted by the Secretary-General (E/C.2/768). Several members expressed regret, however, that the report had not been circulated in time to enable them to receive instructions on it. The Committee was not in a position to make final recommendations to the Council on the various proposals contained in the report. With regard to the proposals to the Committee contained in the statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs, some delegations felt it was not necessary for the Committee to express its views on the suggestions.
14. There was also general appreciation for the Secretary-General's proposals to undertake the studies outlined in the report for strengthening and improving the relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations. Accordingly, most delegations welcomed the Secretary-General's report, with provisos being made on certain specific points. In that connexion, a number of delegations favoured the need to restructure the existing framework, while two delegations were opposed to it and one delegation stated that it could not take a position on the question.
15. The Committee stressed the importance of working on the basis of Article 71 of the United Nations Charter and Economic and Social Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968. However, it was stressed that there was a need to re-examine the resolution in the context of issues raised in the Secretary-General's report.
16. Some delegations felt that (without prejudice to the biennial cycle of meetings which had been decided upon by the Economic and Social Council, as well as the rules of procedure) annual meetings might be convened for the sole purpose of considering applications of non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Council or for reclassification. Other delegations stressed the need for observing the decisions of the Economic and Social Council on this question. Some of those delegations felt that new applications or requests for reclassifications might be circulated in writing to members between sessions with a provision for automatic agreement should no objections be received by a specified date. /...

17. A number of delegations stressed the need to strengthen the European liaison office in view of the widely recognized importance of Geneva as the headquarters of many international non-governmental organizations, subject to the administrative and financial implications referred to in paragraph 20 below.

18. The Committee stressed the importance of the participation of non-governmental organizations in the work of the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Development and International Economic Co-operation, in the work of the General Assembly at that special session, and in the mid-term review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade.

19. The Committee took note of the usefulness of the parallel activities being organized by non-governmental organizations in connexion with the forthcoming special session of the General Assembly. Several delegations expressed the view that non-governmental organizations should contribute to the implementation of the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, adopted by the General Assembly at its sixth special session (resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974) and should increase their contribution to the implementation of the International Development Strategy as well as to the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. Those delegations also stressed that only the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly should make the final decision regarding participation of non-governmental organizations in meetings convened under United Nations auspices.

20. During the preliminary discussion of the Secretary-General's report, it was generally felt that the possible administrative and financial implications of the various actions envisaged in the report would have to be evaluated before those actions could be implemented.

21. Several delegations expressed doubt that the Secretariat should provide additional interpretation facilities for meetings of non-governmental organizations. The Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs explained that the Secretariat could provide facilities for a maximum of two conferences a year under existing arrangements and without additional financial implications and only after ascertaining the usefulness of such meetings.

22. Some delegations concluded that the time had come to develop a system for regularly and systematically reviewing the relationship between the United Nations and the non-governmental organizations in accordance with Council resolution 1296 (XLIV). The view was expressed that the review should include the previous three years of activity of those organizations.

23. The Committee welcomed the proposal to undertake a survey of the various methods of establishing criteria for the classification of non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/768, para. 16). The survey should embrace the various suggestions that the Committee had discussed over the past few years. It was recognized, however, that the criteria for classifying non-governmental organizations in the various bodies of the United Nations system should respond to the particular requirements of those bodies, and that it might not be desirable to unify the criteria.



24. Some delegations supported the idea of exploring the possibility of establishing a sub-committee of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to assist in ensuring more uniform relations with non-governmental organizations throughout the United Nations system (E/C.2/768, para. 19).

25. It was suggested by some delegations that the authority given to the Secretary-General under paragraph 19 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) to place non-governmental organizations on the Roster be implemented in such a way that the Committee itself might, at the appropriate time, endorse the actions of the Secretary-General.

26. Several delegations supported the Secretary-General's recommendation for the possibility of granting consultative status pro tem (E/C.2/768, para. 17). Others expressed reservations, stressing the Committee's role in respect of approval and co-ordination.

27. The idea that the United Nations information centres should expand their activities by assisting in the establishment of national commissions and co-ordinating bodies in their areas was endorsed by several representatives (E/C.2/768, para. 27). The view was also expressed that the regional commissions should establish focal points for non-governmental organization liaison.

#### IV. OTHER BUSINESS

##### Changes in the rules of procedure of the Council related to the work of the Committee

28. At the 356th meeting on 11 March 1975, the Chairman informed the Committee that the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council, at its 16th meeting on 7 March 1975, had decided to request the Committee's views concerning those parts of the rules which related to the work of the Committee. The proposed changes to the existing rules were contained in document E/5450 which was circulated to the Committee. The Committee had no objection to the proposed changes in the rules contained in E/5450.

29. The representative of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations proposed that a provision be included in the rules of procedure of the Council to extend the length of joint NGO statements beyond that established for statements by a single organization; also that, when joint statements were submitted, organizations on the Roster might associate themselves with organizations in categories I and II and appear on the list of signatories.

##### Membership of the Committee

30. Several representatives were of the opinion that the membership of the Committee should be enlarged. The Committee appealed to all States Members of the United Nations to fill the seats so that the views of all the regional groups could be reflected in the work of the Committee.

V. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

31. At its 361st and 362nd meetings, on 14 March 1975, the Committee adopted its report on the session to the Economic and Social Council (E/C.2/L.36 and Add.1 and 2, as amended).

VI. ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

Duration of the session

32. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations met at Headquarters from 10 to 14 March 1975. The Committee held eight plenary meetings (355th to 362nd meetings).

Membership and attendance 1/

33. The following States members of the Committee were represented at the session:

Czechoslovakia	Tunisia
France	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Ghana	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Japan	United States of America
Kenya	
Netherlands	

34. The session was also attended by the following:

States not members of the Committee represented by observers

Cuba  
Sweden

United Nations bodies

United Nations Children's Fund  
United Nations Development Programme

Specialized agencies

International Labour Organization  
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  
World Health Organization

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1/ The list of participants in the session is contained in document E/C.2/INF.7.

Intergovernmental organization

Organization of African Unity

Non-governmental organizations

Category I

International Chamber of Commerce	International Council of Women
International Confederation of Free Trade Unions	International Union of Local Authorities
International Council of Voluntary Agencies	League of Red Cross Societies
	World Federation of United Nations Associations

Category II

Agudas Israel World Organization	International Hotel Association
All-India Women's Conference	International Movement for Fraternal Union Among Races and Peoples
Baha'i International Community	International Organization for Standardization
Caritas Internationalis (International Confederation of Catholic Charities)	International Social Service
Commission of the Churches on International Affairs	Pan-Pacific and South-East Asia Women's Association
Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations	Society for International Development
Federation for the Respect of Man and Humanity	Women's International Zionist Organization
Friends World Committee for Consultation	World Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations
International Alliance of Women - Equal Rights, Equal Responsibilities	World Federation of Democratic Youth
International Council of Jewish Women	World Jewish Congress
International Council of Social Democratic Women	World Young Women's Christian Association
International Federation of Business and Professional Women	World Woman's Christian Temperance Union

### Roster

International League of Societies  
for the Mentally Handicapped

International Senior Citizens  
Association, Inc., The

Universal Esperanto Association

World Peace Council

### Officers

35. At its 355th meeting, on 10 March 1975, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation: Henricus Gajentaan (Netherlands), Chairman; Elizabeth M. Wanjui (Kenya), Vice-Chairman; and Masaaki Kuniyasu (Japan), Rapporteur.

### Agenda

36. At its 355th meeting, on 10 March 1975, the Committee considered its provisional agenda (E/C.2/767). The agenda, as adopted, was as follows:

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Applications and reapplications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations
4. Report of the Secretary-General in response to recommendations of the Committee and of Council resolutions 1739 (LIV) and 1740 (LIV)
5. Other business
6. Adoption of the report of the Committee

### Documentation

37. The Committee had before it the following documents:

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E/C.2/767	2	Provisional agenda
E/C.2/768	4	Report of the Secretary-General in response to recommendations of the Committee and of Council resolutions 1739 (LIV) and 1740 (LIV)
E/C.2/INF.7	-	List of participants
E/C.2/L.36 and Add.1-2	6	Draft report of the Committee
E/C.2/R.46 and Add.1-4	3	Applications and reapplications for consultative status

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