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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

List of non-governmental organizations recommended for
accreditation

Note by the Secretariat

1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 48/108 of 20 December 1993, established the criteria for accreditation of non-governmental organizations to participate in and contribute to the Fourth World Conference on Women and its preparatory body, taking into account resolution 37/7 of the Commission on the Status of Women.
2. Non-governmental organizations that already have Category I, II or Roster status with the Economic and Social Council and that express the wish to attend the Conference and the meetings of its preparatory body will be accredited for participation. Other non-governmental organizations may apply for accreditation, subject to approval by the Commission on the Status of Women acting as the preparatory body.
3. In resolution 48/108, the General Assembly decided that the secretariat of the Fourth World Conference on Women would be responsible for the receipt and preliminary evaluation of requests from non-governmental organizations for accreditation.
4. The application of each of the organizations that has requested accreditation has been evaluated by the secretariat of the Conference in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/108. Those organizations that have been found to comply with the criteria set forth in that resolution are listed in the annex to the present document and will be recommended for accreditation to the Commission on the Status of Women acting as

the preparatory body. Since the Commission will not meet before 7 March, the secretariat is of the view that a practical arrangement, consistent with the spirit of the provisions of resolution 48/108, should be put into place in order to allow those organizations to participate in the work of the Working Group. Until the Commission has an opportunity to take a final decision on the matter, the secretariat, subject to the views of the Working Group, therefore proposes to grant interim accreditation to the non-governmental organizations listed in the annex.

Annex

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR
ACCREDITATION TO THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE
ON WOMEN AND ITS PREPARATORY BODY

1. UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION

Address 25 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108, USA
Tel: (617) 742-2100; Fax: (617) 327-3237
Contact Mairi Maeks
Established 1961
Membership International (with over 200,700 members in North America, Latin America, Europe and Asia)
Relevance Active in efforts to promote women's rights and oppose violence against women; facilitates numerous programmes for empowerment throughout the world; examines and promotes facilitation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies.

2. INTERACTION: AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY INTERNATIONAL ACTION

Address 1717 Massachusetts Avenue N.W., 8th floor, Washington D.C. 20036, USA
Tel: (202) 667-8227; Fax: (202) 667-8236
Contact Suzanne Kindervatter
Established 1984
Membership National (with coalition of 154 United States-based private and voluntary organizations working in over 200 countries)
Relevance It has an active subcommittee on women in development. In addition, in 1992, the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors established a Commission on the Advancement of Women to give greater prominence to promotion of gender equity in member agencies and in their programmes. A major focus of the Commission is organizing the participation of InterAction members and southern partners for the 1995 Women's Conference and Forum.

3. PARTNERS OF THE AMERICAS

Address 1424 K Street N.W., Washington D.C. 20005, USA
Tel: (202) 628-3300; Fax: (202) 628-3306
Contact Martha Lewis
Established 1969
Membership Regional (with 31 Latin American and Caribbean countries partnered with 45 United States of America states)
Relevance Men and women on both sides of the partnership are mobilized to engage in mutually beneficial cultural and educational exchanges and carry out development projects in areas such as agricultural development, natural resources management, environmental conservation, child and maternal health and nutrition, vocational training for disadvantaged groups, emergency preparedness and disaster management and drug abuse prevention.

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4. OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTERS INTERNATIONAL, INC. (OICI)

Address 240 W. Tulpehocken Street, Philadelphia, PA 19144, USA
Tel: (215) 842-0220; Fax: (215) 849-7033
Contact Rosemary Burke
Established 1970
Membership International (with 25 affiliates in 17 countries)
Relevance To provide skills training and support services to affiliated programmes in the areas of vocational technical agricultural and animal husbandry and small enterprise development to underemployed youth, women and men and help them to become self-reliant and productively involved in the development of their countries.

5. EQUALITY NOW

Address 226 W. 58th Street No. 4, New York, NY 10019
Tel: (212) 586-0906; Fax: (212) 586-0906
Contact Jessica Neuwirth
Established 1992
Membership International (almost 1,000 members of the Women's Action Network in over 25 countries around the world)
Relevance Women's Action Network is the programme through which EQUALITY NOW conducts its activities. Information about specific abuses and ongoing violations is gathered from an international network of activities and organizations. Appropriate actions and strategies are established in collaboration with local groups and are publicized and implemented through the Network.

6. WOMEN'S ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY

Address 5, rue de Lille, 75007 Paris, FRANCE
Tel: (1) 45 48 83 80; Fax: (1) 42 22 62 73
Contact Antoinette Fouque
Established 1989
Membership International (with members in 25 countries)
Relevance Current activities are in the fields of democratization with action in favour of women's access to positions of decision-making in all fields and political responsibilities and with action against violence to women; working to ensure that legislators take women's vital demands into account; gaining recognition for women's specific forms of productivity in all member countries.
