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Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular session

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Summary

At its 2019 regular session, held from 21 to 30 January and on 8 February 2019, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 521 applications for consultative status, including 233 applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 236 for consultative status, deferred 265 for further consideration at its resumed session in 2019 and closed without prejudice consideration of 20 applications of non-governmental organizations that had failed to respond to queries over two consecutive sessions of the Committee. The Committee also had before it six requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting three of those requests and deferred its consideration of the other three. It also had before it two requests for merger deferred from previous sessions; it took note of one of those requests and deferred its consideration of the other. The Committee considered eight requests for a change of name, took note of seven of those requests and deferred one. It also had before it 529 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 399. The Committee heard 16 representatives of the 155 non-governmental organizations that had registered for the session.

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

By draft decision I, the Council would:

(a) Grant consultative status to 236 non-governmental organizations;

(b) Reclassify two non-governmental organizations from special to general consultative status;





(c) Reclassify one non-governmental organization from the Roster to general the consultative status;

(d) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of seven non-governmental organizations;

(e) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the merger of a non-governmental organization in consultative status with a non-governmental organization not in status with the Council and grant consultative status to the newly formed entity;

(f) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 399 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;

(g) Close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by 20 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee.

By draft decision II, the Council would decide to withdraw the consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee.

By draft decision III, 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

Draft decisions for adoption by the Council

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant consultative status to the following 236 non-governmental organizations:

Special consultative status

A Better Community for All (ABC4All)

Abshar Atefeha Charity Institute

Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative

Afrikanische Frauenorganisation

Agencia Internacional de Cooperación y Desarrollo

Alberta Council for Global Cooperation

Alebe Collins Nigeria Foundation

Al-Gusor Al-Raidh Social Development Organization

Alnahda Philanthropic Society for Women

Alternative Perspectives and Global Concerns

American Academy of Arts and Sciences

American Pakistan Foundation

Amroha Education Foundation

Andean Information Network

Angels in the Field

Anglican Rite Roman Catholic Church

Aotearoa Youth Leadership Institute

Apex Development Foundation

Appui solidaire pour le renforcement de l'aide au développement

Arc Finance, Ltd.

Asia Initiatives, Inc.

Asociación Colectivo Mujeres al Derecho (ASOCOLEMAD)

Asociación La Ruta del Clima

Associação Nacional de Deficiência Mentais Raras - Raríssimas

Association Assistance communautaire et développement

Association canadienne pour le droit et la vérité

Association consortium pour les aires et territoires du patrimoine autochtone et communautaire (APAC)

Association des femmes pour la promotion et le développement endogène

Association du développement communautaire en Mauritanie

Association Duval

Association for Reconciliation and Development through English

Association Jbel Ayachi pour le développement culturel, social, économique et de l'environnement

Association Ma'onah for Human Rights and Immigration

Association pour la défense des droits de la femme mauritanienne

Association pour la diffusion des droits humains aux peuples autochtones – Humanitarian Law Agency

Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League, Inc. (AIVL)

Avocats sans frontières - Québec

Babatunde Development And Empowerment Initiative

Bangladesh Association for Development of Trade and Finance (BADTF)

BCARE USA, Inc. (BCARE International)

Beijing Changier Education Foundation

Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation

Beit Hagalgalim/House of Wheels

Belgische associatie voor mensenrechten en ontwikkeling

Bien-être social pour tous

Bir Dünya Çocuk Derneği

Brain Sluice Africa Child's

Cámara de Instituciones de Diagnóstico Médico (CADIME)

Canadian Canola Growers Association

Center for the Study of Crime

Centre de recherche et d'action pour le développement durable et l'épanouissement des sociétés

Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas (CEDRO)

Chengmei Charity Foundation

China Charities Aid Foundation for Children

Churches in One Accord

Citizen Association Health Education and Research Association (HERA)

Civil Society Support Center NGO "SEG"

Commit-2-Change, Inc.

Community Development Alliance Compassion Soul Winners Outreach International ComunidadMujer Concern for Human Welfare Confederation of Indian Healthcare Foundation (CIHF) Continents University Corporación Colectivo de Abogados José Alvear Restrepo Corporación Fiscalia del Medio Ambiente (FIMA) CrowdGuard Dansk Flygtningehjælp DePaul University Dignidad y Justicia en el Camino, Asociación Civil Direct Aid Organization Drug Reform Coordination Network, Inc. Earth Law Center Ecocentre for Environmental Protection EL-Aged Care, Limited by Guarantee Əlil Təşkilatları İttifaqı Empower European Network on Debt and Development Farhikhtegan'e Mosalman Association Federal Lezghin National and Cultural Autonomy Fédération internationale des associations d'inventeurs Feminenza International, Ltd. Fondation du Dr Julien Fondation européenne d'études progressistes Fondation Medicines Patent Pool Fondation Millennia 2025 Femmes et Innovation Fondazione del Monte di Bologna e Ravenna Fondazione di ricerca scientifica ed umanistica Antonio Meneghetti Forum européen des femmes musulmanes Foundation for Building Sustainable Communities Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children Fundación Abba Colombia Fundación Cepaim, Acción Integral con Migrantes Gap Intercessors Ministry International Gender and Development Action, Limited

Geneva Agape Foundation Georgetown University Gesellschaft Bosnischer Akademiker in Österreich Girls Not Brides: the Global Partnership to End Child Marriage Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety Global Interfaith WASH Alliance India Global Medic Force (Europe) Global Music & Wellness Inc **Global Peace Foundation** Green Mobilisation Initiative Groundswell International, Inc. Hazar Eğitim Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği Hellenic Initiative, Inc. Helpline Foundation for the Needy, Abuja Hinduistička Vjerska Zajednica Hrvatske Human Rights Center in Iraq Ikkaido, Ltd. Imam Ali Charity Institution Instituto de Estudos Socioeconômicos International Action for Peace & Sustainable Development International Arts Movement, Inc. International Association of World Peace Advocate International Society for Peace and Safety "İqtisadi və Sosial İnkişaf Mərkəzi" ictimai birliyi Iranian Thalassemia Society Israel Trauma Coalition for Response and Preparedness, RA Italian Climate Network Justica Global Kadın Sağlıkçılar Eğitim ve Dayanışma Vakfı Kallipatira Kids' Educational Engagement Project (KEEP) Knowledge for Development without Borders (KFDWB) La Voûte nubienne League of Women Voters of Nigeria Legal Action Worldwide Legal Advice Centre

Local Environment Development and Agricultural Research Society (LEDARS)

Love Alliance Foundation for Orphans, Disabled and Abandoned Persons in Nigeria Magyar Női Unió Egyesület Markaz Toseeh Tehran Medical and Educational Sustainable Community Help, Incorporated (MESCH) Medijski Edukativni Centar Migration Council Australia Montréal International Mundo a Sorrir - Associação de Médicos Dentistas Solidários Portugueses MUSIAD Corp. Namati, Inc. National Association for the Defense of Rights and Freedoms National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Nature's Rights Nikookaran Sharif Charity Ogiek Peoples' Development Program (OPDP) One Earth Future Foundation, Inc. OneNess Foundation for the Aged, Disabled and Children ONG Funsocial Crecer Colombia Open Net Association, Inc. **Opportunity Two Excel Foundation** Organisation pour de nouvelles initiatives en développement et santé au Burkina Faso Organización no gubernamental de Desarrollo Piensa Discapacidad Palestinian Association for Human Rights - Witness Panoramic Charity Foundation Partenaires pour le développement rural (PDR) Peace Development Fund Peace Initiative Network Peace Society of Kenya PeaceTrees Vietnam Pearl Initiative, Inc. People's Cultural Centre Permanent Peace Movement Phelyn Skill Acquisition Center Poka Healthcare Foundation PRO Leadership Global, Inc. Public Aid Organization

Rahbord Peimayesh Research & Educational Services Cooperative	
Ranney School	
Regional Centre for International Development Cooperation, Limited by Guara	ntee
Rescue the Poor Child	
RIO Rusmisbrukernes Interesseorganisasjon	
SAM, Inc.	
Sanctuary for Families, Inc.	
Sanid Organization for Relief and Development	
Seek the Peace	
Shrushti Seva Samiti	
Silambam Asia (SILA)	
Smart Women's Community Institute	
Smile Again Africa Development Organization	
Smile Youth Initiative International	
Sociedad Espiritista Kardeciana Cruzada Quisicuaba	
Sociedad Mexicana de Criminología Capítulo Nuevo León	
Sociedad y Discapacidad: Estudios, Asesoría e Integración de la Persona con Discapacidad "Sociedad y Discapacidad"	
Society for Orphan, Neglected & Youths (SONY)	
Solidarité humanitaire	
South Saharan Social Development Organisation	
South Youth Organization	
SPD	
Specified Non-Profit Organization "Diamonds for Peace"	
Stephen Lewis Foundation	
Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation	
Stichting Deep Sea Conservation Coalition	
Stopaids	
Swiss Academy for Development (SAD)	
Syndicat chrétien des travailleurs du Congo (SCTC)	
TASC National, Limited	
Terre des femmes, Schweiz	
The Centre for Family Health Initiatives	
The Family Planning Association of Sri Lanka	
The First Community Christian Pentecostal Church of God, Inc.	
The Institute for Protection of Women's Rights (IPWR)	
The National Council of African Descendants in America	

The New Generation Girls and Women Development Initiative The Paz Foundation The Reality of Aid Africa Network The Union of Arab Banks The Victor Pineda Foundation Tiruzer Ethiopia for Africa (TEA) **TOBE** Foundation for Rights & Freedoms Triumphant Hand of Mercy Initiative, NPC Tsilhqot'in National Government UCC Whale Center, Inc. Uluslararası Süleymaniye Eğitim ve Yardımlaşma Derneği Union nationale des femmes algériennes Union of Relief and Development Associations Union pour la promotion de la femme et de l'enfant nigérienne Union Theological Seminary Universal Peace and Violence Amelioration Centre Universal Soul Love **US UCIA Corporation** Wassa Karité Women Initiative for Sustainable Environment Women's Initiative for Self-Actualization Women's Spirit/Ruach Nashit - Financial Independence for Women Survivors of Violence World Obesity Federation Yemeni Observatory for Rights and Sustainable Development Yoruba Indigene's Foundation Youth Crime Watch of Liberia Youth Education and Leadership Initiative Youth Health and Development Organization Youth Initiative against Unlawful Emigration YUVA - Mauritius Zaindriss Foundation, Inc. Zomi National Council of Myanmar Social Organization, Kalaymyo (ZNCM) (b) To reclassify two non-governmental organizations from special to general consultative status: International Human Rights and Anti-Corruption Society Lazarus Union

(c) To reclassify one non-governmental organization from the Roster to general consultative status:

International Transport Workers' Federation

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

Appui aux femmes démunies et enfants marginalisés au Kivu (special, 2015) to Dignité impact/Impact Dignity

Association of Third World Studies (special, 1995) to Association of Global South Studies (AGSS)

Building and Social Housing Foundation (special, 2006) to World Habitat

Citizens United to Promote Peace and Democracy in Liberia (special, 2015) to Partnership for Sustainable Development (PASD)

Fundación Intervida (special, 2001) to Fundación Educación y Cooperación (EDUCO)

International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (special, 2010) to OutRight Action International

Students' Care Service (2018) to Shine Children and Youth Services

(e) To note that the Committee took note of the merger of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, which had obtained special consultative status in 2011, with the Cluster Munition Coalition to form the International Campaign to Ban Landmines – Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC) and to grant special consultative status to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines – Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC);

(f) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports, including new and deferred reports,¹ of the following 399 non-governmental organizations:

Action aides aux familles démunies

Actions communautaires pour le développement intégral

Africa Centre for Citizens Orientation

African Centre for Advocacy and Human Development

African Foundation for Human Advancement

African Heritage Foundation Nigeria

African Hope Committee

African Views Organization

African Youth Movement

Afro-European Medical and Research Network

Agence d'aide à la coopération technique et au développement

Agencia Latinoamericana de Información

Agir ensemble pour les droits de l'homme

Al Mezan Center for Human Rights

¹ The reports listed are for the period 2014–2017, except where stated otherwise in parentheses.

Al-Birr and Al-Tawasul Organization Al-Khoei Foundation Allied Rainbow Communities International All-Russian Public Organization "Russian Public Institute of Electoral Law" All-Ukrainian Public Organization "Christian Rehabilitation Centers Association, for Drug- and Alcohol-Addicted People" All-Ukrainian Union of Non-Government Organizations "Confederation of Non-Government Organizations of People with Disabilities of Ukraine" Alpha O Centre for Malaria Prevention and Control American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee American Psychological Association (2012–2015) Americans for Democracy and Human Rights in Bahrain Amity Foundation Amman Center for Human Rights Studies Anti-Slavery International Architectes de l'urgence "Armenian Lawyers' Association" Non-Governmental Organization Asia Pacific Basin for Energy Strategies Association Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network Asian Institute of Transport Development Asian Legal Resource Centre Asociación Habitat Pro Asociación Nacional de Estudiantes de Ingenierías Industrial, Administrativa y de Producción Asociația Obștească "Centrul Ecologic - Recuperare, Reciclare, Reintegrare" Asociația Pakiv România Assembly of First Nations - National Indian Brotherhood Associação de Mulheres Contra a Violencia Association Alkhayr pour le développement en Mauritanie Association apprentissage sans frontières Association congolaise pour le développement agricole Association démocratique des femmes du Maroc Association des états généraux des étudiants de l'Europe Association des ONG de l'environnement Association Diogenis - Drug Policy Dialogue in South East Europe Association for Assistance to Families with Disabled Children Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism

Association for Sustainable Human Development Association internationale Soufie Alawiyya Association of Medical Doctors of Asia Association of Presbyterian Women of Aoteaora (New Zealand) Association on Sustainable Development and Investment Climate Improvement, Uniting Investors and Creditors "World Organization for Development" Association pour la formation et l'insertion sociale de l'adolescent et de la femme Association pour la santé et la prévention des maladies tropicales Association solidarité internationale pour l'Afrique Associazione ComunitàPapa Giovanni XXIII Associazione Nazionale Produttori Armi e Munizioni Sportive e Civili Awesome Treasures Foundation Badil Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights **Baptist World Alliance Basic Health International Batey Relief Alliance** Board of Certified Safety Professionals Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University British Columbia Civil Liberties Association Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation Building and Social Housing Foundation Cameroon Association for the Defence of the Victims of Accidents Canadian Federation of University Women Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women Capital Humano y Social Alternativo Caribbean Association for Feminist Research and Action Casa Generalizia della Società del Sacro Cuore Catholic International Education Office Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid Catholics for Choice Cause première Center for Global Nonkilling Center for Policy Studies Center for Women and Development Centre d'accompagnement des alternatives locales de développement Centre de formation et de recherche pour le développement

Centre Europe-tiers monde Centre for African Israeli Friendship Centre for Public Health Centre pour les droits civils et politiques Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú Centro de los Derechos del Migrante C-Fam China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation China Education Association for International Exchange China Foundation for Peace and Development China International Council for the Promotion of Multinational Corporations China Society for Human Rights Studies Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament Christian Aid Church World Service Club des jeunes aveugles réhabilités du Cameroun Club of Madrid (2011-2014) Collectif sénégalais des Africaines pour la promotion de l'éducation relative à l'environnement Comité international pour le respect et l'application de la charte africaine des droits de l'homme et des peuples Comité national d'action pour les droits de l'enfant et de la femme Commission of the Churches on International Affairs of the World Council of Churches (2012–2015) Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy Commonwealth Human Ecology Council Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (2013–2016) **Community Development Programme Conectas Direitos Humanos** Confédération des organisations familiales de l'Union européenne Connecting Gender for Development Conselho Federal da Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil **Conservation International Foundation** Consortium d'appui aux actions pour la promotion et le développement de l'Afrique Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service Criminologists without Borders Curia Generalizia Agostiniana Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association DiploFoundation Diplomaten für internationale Verbindungen von Mensch und Wirtschaft Dir Rural Development Organization Disisleri Mensuplari Esleri Dayanisma Dernegi Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America Dominican Leadership Conference Drepavie Drug Free America Foundation Eastern Sudan Women Development Organization East-West Management Institute **EKTA** Engender EquallyAble Foundation Escuela Cultura de Paz Ethiopia Change and Development Association Ethiopian World Federation **EUROMIL** Europe against Drugs European Region of the International Lesbian and Gay Federation European Union of Jewish Students Ewiiaapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians Families of the Missing Families of Victims of Involuntary Disappearance Family Health Association of Iran Federación de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos (2012 - 2015)Féderation européenne de la manutention Federation of Independent Trade Unions of Russia Federation of National Representations of the Experiment in International Living Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (2013–2016) Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center FN Forbundet Fondation d'Auteuil Fondation d'entreprise Sanofi espoir

Fondation VIMANIS Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Torino Forest Peoples Programme Free World Foundation Friends of UNFPA Friends World Committee for Consultation Fundación Cooperadora de la Nutrición Infantil Fundación Migrantes y Refugiados sin Fronteras Fundación Teletón México Future Hope International Gabasawa Women and Children Empowerment Initiative General Confederation of Trade Unions General Forum of the Arabic and African Non-Governmental Organizations Génération recherche action et formation pour l'environnement Global Alert for Defence of Youth and the Less Privileged Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments **Global Education Motivators Global Housing Foundation** Gram Bharati Samiti Grameen Shakti Grupo de Mujeres de la Argentina - Foro de VIH, Mujeres y Familia Guild of Service Hawa Society for Women Health on the Net Foundation Hellenic Association of Political Scientists Heritage Foundation (2011–2014) Heungsadahn High Security Newplate Homosexuelle Initiative Wien (2013–2016) Hope Foundation NGO Humanist Institute for Cooperation with Developing Countries Humanity First Huqooq-ul-Ebad Development Foundation Ibuka – Mémoire et justice (section Suisse) **IDEAS** for Us Ifendu for Women's Development Il Cenacolo

Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society Imam Al-Sadr Foundation Ingénieurs du monde InnerCity Mission for Children Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development International Career Support Association International Center for Research on Women International Committee for Peace and Reconciliation International Confederation of Childhood Cancer Parent Organizations International Cooperative Alliance International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction International Council of Psychologists International Council of Voluntary Agencies International Council on Management of Population Programmes International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres International Federation of Training and Development Organizations International Federation of Women Lawyers International Food and Beverage Alliance International Forestry Students' Association International Fund for Animal Welfare International Higher Education Academy of Sciences International Institute for Non-Aligned Studies International Investment Centre International Mediation Institute International MotherBaby Childbirth Organization International Network for Standardization of Higher Education Degrees International Network for Sustainable Energy International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions International Partnership for Human Rights International Prison Chaplains' Association International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication International Society of Doctors for the Environment International Union of Psychological Science International Women's Forum International Women's Year Liaison Group Internet Association of Kazakhstan

Interregional Public Charitable Organization of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities "Sail of Hope" Inwelle Study and Resource Centre IPAS Isis Women's International Cross-Cultural Exchange Italian Association for Aid to Children Italian Association for Women in Development Iuventum Jesus Weeps over Africa Jewish Voice Ministries International José Martí Cultural Society Jssor Youth Organization Kalyani Keystone Human Services International Khiam Rehabilitation Centre for Victims of Torture Khuwendo Kor Kids First Fund Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy Korea Differently Abled Federation Korea NGO Council for Overseas Development Cooperation Korean National Council of Women Kulturverein – IDEA Society La Brique Labour, Health and Human Rights Development Centre Law Enforcement Action Partnership Lazarus Union Lebanese American Renaissance Partnership LGBT Denmark: National Organization for Gay Men, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Transgendered People Liberians United to Expose Hidden Weapons Lotus World Ma'arij Foundation for Peace and Development Maasai Aid Association Mar Adentro de México Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights Marmara Group Strategic and Social Research Foundation Martin und Gerda Essl Sozialpreis gemeinnützige Privatstiftung

Mental Disability Rights International Mines Advisory Group Mobility International USA Movimento Italiano Casalinghe Movimiento Manuela Ramos Nation Builders Organisation National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan National Association for Resource Improvement National Congress of Australia's First Peoples National Federation of International Immigrant Women Associations National Rehabilitation and Development Centre National Rural Support Programme Native American Rights Fund Nazra for Feminist Studies Neighbour Organization Nepal Network "Earth Village" New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council New South Wales Council for Civil Liberties Non-Governmental Organization Federation of Nepal North Indian Educational Trust **Operation Mercy** Organisation des hommes démunis et enfants orphelins pour le développement Organisation internationale pour les pays les moins avancés Organization for Defending Victims of Violence Organization for the Solidarity of the Peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America Organizzazione Internazionale Protezione Animali Oxfam International Pace University Pacific Women's Watch (New Zealand) Pan-African Women's Organization Parliamentarians for Global Action Peace Boat Peace Brigades International Switzerland Personhood Education Pew Environment Group Physicians for Social Responsibility

Playdoo (Côte d'Ivoire)

Prahar Presseemblème campagne Promo-LEX Public-Private Alliance Foundation Raad Rehabilitation Goodwill Complex Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini Reach Out NGO (REO) Real Women of Canada Research and Development Centre, Nepal Réseau des organisations féminines d'Afrique francophone Réseau international des droits humains Réseau océan mondial Rissho Kosei-kai Rooftops Canada Russian Academy of Natural Sciences Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference Save the Climat School Sisters of Notre Dame Secours populaire français Secure World Foundation Sewa Development Trust Sindh Shirley Ann Sullivan Educational Foundation Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Sihtasutus Eesti Inimõiguste Keskus Sillamäe Lastekaitse Ühing Simply Help (2009 – 2012) Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Social Development Center Solidarité pour le développement communautaire Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific Sovereign Knightly Order of Christ the Saviour Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem SpellAfrica Initiative Sree Saraswathi Thyagaraja College Stichting dance4life Strategic Alignment of Like Minds Structural Analysis of Cultural Systems

Sudanese Women Parliamentarians Caucus

Sylvia Earle Alliance

Tchad Agir pour l'environnement

Teresian Association

The Agatha Foundation, Inc.

The Bible Hill Youth Club

The Children's Project, Inc.

The Entrepreneurship Development Foundation for Women and Youth

The Grail

The International Automotive Lighting and Light Signalling Expert Group

The International Coalition of Historic Site Museums of Conscience

The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction, Inc.

The Korean Council for the Women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery by Japan

The Rainforest Fund, Inc.

The World Justice Project

Third World Network - Africa

To Love Children Educational Foundation International

Tomorrow's Women Development Organisation

Traditions pour demain

Transdiaspora Network

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

Un Ponte per...

UNESCO Association of Guwahati

Unión de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba

Union des nations pour l'enseignement, la science universelle et les droits de l'homme

United Methodist Women

United Nations of Youth Network - Nigeria

Universal Esperanto Association

Universitas 21

Vector of Friendship

Verein zur Förderung der Völkerverständigung

Vikas Samiti

Vivegam Godfrey

Vues et voix

War Widows Association

Washington Office on Latin America WaterLex Wespak Welfare Trust West Africa Network for Peacebuilding Womankind Worldwide Women and Development Association in Alexandria Women Empowerment and Human Resource Development Centre of India Women in Law and Development in Africa Women Organization for Development and Capacity-Building Women Power Connect Women United for Economic Empowerment Women's Intercultural Network Women's Right to Education Programme WomenAid Collective World Federalist Movement World Federation of Trade Unions World Information Transfer World Jewellery Confederation World Leisure Organization World ORT Union World Shelter Organisation Young Adult Institute Youth Afrique Leadership Forum Youth Empowerment Alliance Zala briviba Zanjireh Omid International Charity Institute Zomi Innkuan USA Zoological Society of London (g) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 20 non-governmental organizations after those organizations had failed, following three reminders over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed to them by members of the Committee: Al-Mehran Rural Development Organization (AMRDO) Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace Anciens esclaves nouveaux citoyens

Aryab Hatt Seva Sansthan

Coalition of African Lesbians (CAL)

Danjuma Atta Eye Foundation

Education des filles

Green Lane Agricultural Assistance Non-Governmental Organization

La vie pour tous

Medair

Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture

Mittetulundusühing G-Global Development Community

Norsk organisasjon for reform av marihuanalovgivningen

Organisation tunisienne de développement social

Peace Islands Institute, Inc.

Reproductive Health Matters

Sheikh Eid Bin Mohammad Al Thani Charitable Association

Society for Participatory Research in Asia

Trade and Economic Development Council

USA Refugees & Immigrants Corp.

Draft decision II Withdrawal of consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee

The Economic and Social Council decides to withdraw the consultative status of the non-governmental organization China Energy Fund Committee.

Draft decision III Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2019 regular 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 1st to 11th meetings, held from 21 to 28 January, and at its 14th and 15th meetings, held on 29 and 30 January. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2008 to 2017 (E/C.2/2019/CRP.1) and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.2);

(b) Memorandums by the Secretary-General containing new applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (E/C.2/2019/R.2 and E/C.2/2019/R.2/Add.1-23);

(c) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new requests for reclassification to be considered by the Committee (E/C.2/2019/R.3);

(d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for merger deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.3);

(e) Compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.4);

(f) Notes by the Secretary-General containing quadrennial reports for the period 2014–2017 (E/C.2/2019/2, E/C.2/2019/2/Add.1, E/C.2/2019/2/Add.2 and E/C.2/2019/CRP.7–33);

(g) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new requests from non-governmental organizations requesting a change of name (E/C.2/2019/CRP.5).

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

3. The Committee considered item 3 (a) of its agenda, Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, at its 5th to 11th meetings, held from 23 to 28 January, and at its 15th meeting, on 30 January. The Committee considered a total of 233 deferred applications for consultative status.

Applications recommended

4. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 51 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Special consultative status

Alternative Perspectives and Global Concerns

Andean Information Network

Asia Initiatives, Inc.

Association canadienne pour le droit et la vérité

Association du développement communautaire en Mauritanie

Association Duval

Association for Reconciliation and Development through English

Association pour la diffusion des droits humains aux peuples autochtones – Humanitarian Law Agency

Belgische associatie voor mensenrechten en ontwikkeling

Canadian Canola Growers Association

Citizen Association Health Education and Research Association (HERA)

Civil Society Support Center NGO "SEG"

Dansk Flygtningehjælp

DePaul University

Drug Reform Coordination Network, Inc.

Empower

Federal Lezghin National and Cultural Autonomy Fédération internationale des associations d'inventeurs Fondazione del Monte di Bologna e Ravenna Geneva Agape Foundation Gesellschaft Bosnischer Akademiker in Österreich Girls Not Brides: the Global Partnership to End Child Marriage Global Interfaith WASH Alliance India **Global Peace Foundation** Hazar Eğitim Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği Hellenic Initiative, Inc. International Association of World Peace Advocate "İqtisadi və Sosial İnkişaf Mərkəzi" ictimai birliyi Israel Trauma Coalition for Response and Preparedness, RA Knowledge for Development without Borders (KFDWB) Legal Action Worldwide Legal Advice Centre Namati, Inc. OneNess Foundation for the Aged, Disabled and Children Open Net Association, Inc. Palestinian Association for Human Rights - Witness Peace Development Fund People's Cultural Centre PRO Leadership Global, Inc. Public Aid Organization Ranney School Regional Centre for International Development Cooperation, Limited by Guarantee SAM. Inc. Shrushti Seva Samiti South Saharan Social Development Organisation Specified Non-Profit Organization "Diamonds for Peace" Stephen Lewis Foundation The Family Planning Association of Sri Lanka The First Community Christian Pentecostal Church of God, Inc. UCC Whale Center, Inc. Women's Spirit/Ruach Nashit - Financial Independence for Women Survivors of Violence

Applications deferred

5. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 162 non-governmental organizations (NGOs), pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2019 regular session:

Akhil Bharatiya Human Rights Organisation

Alianza Americas

Al-Imdaad Trust

Alliance to Renew Co-operation among Humankind

Al-Shafa'a Humanitarian Organization

Anti-Corruption Foundation

Arab Program for Human Rights Activists

Arab-European Center of Human Rights and International Law (AECHRIL)

Asociación Enraizados en Cristo y en la Sociedad

Associación Red de Mujeres Afrolatinoamericanas, Afrocaribeñas y de la Diáspora

Association Concerning Sexual Violence against Women

Association mauritanienne d'appui aux nécessiteux

Association pour la défense des droits de l'homme et des revendications démocratiques/culturelles du peuple Azerbaidjanais, Iran – "ARC"

Assyrian Aid Society of America, Inc.

Bahrain Center for Human Rights

Broad National Movement, Ltd. (BNM)

Cairo Foundation for Development and Law

Canadian Human Rights International Organization (CHRIO)

Catholic Relief Services - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Centre international pour la paix et les droits de l'homme (CIPADH)

Centre Zagros pour les droits de l'homme

Cercle Martin Buber

Child Foundation (USA)

China Biodiversity Conservation and Green Development Foundation

China Charity Alliance

Chinese Culture Promotion Society

Christian Solidarity International (CSI)

Citizens' Alliance for North Korean Human Rights

Club des amis de la moughataa de Moudjeria

Congrès mondial Amazigh (CMA)

Congrès national des Arméniens occidentaux (CNAO)

Cooperación Internacional

Coordination Waï (Eveil) relative à l'unité nationale et la lutte contre l'esclavage **Coptic Solidarity** Database Center for North Korean Human Rights (NKDB) Diakonia **Diplomatic Mission Peace and Prosperity** Direct Focus Community Aid Dream Touch for All East Human Rights Group Electronic Frontier Foundation, Inc. Engineering Association for Development and Environment Eri-Platform Establishment of Sheikh Thani bin Abdullah Al Thani for Humanitarian Services Ethiopian Genocide Committee 1935-1941, Inc. Etrat Fatemi Charity Institute Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network European Centre for Democracy and Human Rights, Limited European Coalition for Just and Effective Drug Policies (ENCOD) European Grassroots Antiracist Movement (EGAM) Family Policy Institute Federal Bar Association Fédération euro-méditerranéenne contre les disparitions forcées Formation Awareness and Community Empowerment Society (FACES Pakistan) Fundacja Otwarty Dialog Goringhaicona Khoi Khoin Indeginious Traditional Council Gulf Centre for Human Rights, Limited (GCHR) Gulshan-e-John Habilian Association Hokok Coalición Internacional Contra la Impunidad HUJRA Village Support Organization Human Rights & Democratic Participation Center "SHAMS" IFEX Imam Khomeini Relief Foundation Individual Land Trust Inimõiguste Instituut International Association of Genocide Scholars, Inc. International Action Network for Gender Equity and Law International Association of Justice Watch

International Child Rights Center International Dalit Solidarity Network International Human Right Organization International Non-Olympic Committee International Non-Olympic University International Organisation to Preserve Human Rights, Ltd. International Youth Committee International Youth Council – Yemen Chapter (IYCY) Interregional non-governmental human rights organization "Man and Law" Interregional Non-governmental Organization "Committee against Torture" İslam Dünyası Sivil Toplum Kuruluşları Birliği Islamic African Relief Agency (IARA) Jamia Islamiya Umar Faruk Charitable Trust Solapur Jerusalem Institute of Justice Justice Centre Hong Kong, Limited Kaleidoscope Human Rights Foundation, Ltd. Komitet pravnika za ljudska prava Kurdistan Institute for Human Rights Lawyers for Justice in Libya Le collectif de la paix au Sri Lanka Les femmes, la force du changement Ligue mauritanienne pour l'appui aux initiatives associatives Lion Damien Club Mangfoldhuset Mother Helpage (UK) Muslim Hands National Committee on BRICS Research National Human Rights Civic Association "Belarusian Helsinki Committee" NK Watch Non C'è Pace Senza Giustizia Now Action & Unity for Human Rights (NAUH) Organisation Attawassoul pour la santé, la femme et l'enfant Organisation Suisse d'aide aux réfugiés **Organisation Tamaynut** Pak Special Persons Welfare Society Pakistan International Human Rights Organization Parents and Friends of Ex-Gays and Gays, Inc. (P-FOX)

Partners for Peace and Prosperity, Inc.

Peace Brigades International

Peace Research Institute Oslo

Research Society of International Law

Rohingya League, Ltd.

Safe Care Trust International

Sahipkıran Stratejik Araştırmalar Merkezi

Salam for Democracy and Human Rights

Scholé Futuro

Sensitization Centre

Sex & Samfund

Social Services Trust

Solidarity for Peace and Reunification of Korea

SOS Exclus pour la protection et l'épanouissement de la famille, de l'enfant et des personnes vulnérables

SOS Urgence

Southern African AIDS Trust

Stichting Choice for Youth and Sexuality

Stichting Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict

Stichting Mama Cash

Stichting Pro Papua

Stichting Wildlife Justice Commission

Swadhikar

Syrian American Medical Society Foundation

Talent Incubator

Terram Pacis

The Andrey Rylkov Foundation for Health and Social Justice

The Center for Justice and Accountability

The Centre for International Governance Innovation

The F W de Klerk Foundation Trust

The International Center for Supporting Rights and Freedoms

The National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI)

The New Woman Foundation

The Public Association "Kazakhstan International Bureau for Human Rights and Rule of Law" (the Republican Status)

The Union of Non-governmental Associations "The International Non-governmental Organization "The World Union of Cossack Atamans"

The Voice Society

Tom Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice

Transnational Anti-Organized Crime Intelligence Group, Inc.(TAOC-IG)

Trocaire

Turkiye Diyanet Vakfi

United Sikhs

Vang Pao Peace Institute

West Papua Interest Association

White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood, Inc

Women in International Security (WIIS)

Women Information Network

Women Living under Muslim Laws - International Solidarity Network (WLUML)

Women's Freedom Forum, Inc.

Women's Ordination Conference

Women's Refugee Commission, Inc.

World Association for Sexual Health

World Fund for Development and Planning (WFDP)

World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization

World without Genocide

Wynad Social Service Society

Youth RISE (Resource, Information, Support, Education), Limited

Youthlead/Jeunes Leaders

Applications closed without prejudice

6. At its 15th meeting, on 30 January, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 20 NGOs that had not responded to the Committee's questions despite three reminders sent to the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (g)).

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

7. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 1st to 5th meetings, from 21 to 23 January, and at its 14th and 15th meetings, on 29 and 30 January. The Committee considered a total of 288 new applications for consultative status.

New applications recommended

8. Of the 288 NGOs whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 185 should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Special consultative status

A Better Community for All (ABC4All)

Abshar Atefeha Charity Institute

Adolescent Breast and Pelvic Cancer Awareness Initiative

Afrikanische Frauenorganisation

Agencia Internacional de Cooperación y Desarrollo

Alberta Council for Global Cooperation

Alebe Collins Nigeria Foundation

Al-Gusor Al-Raidh Social Development Organization

Alnahda Philanthropic Society for Women

American Academy of Arts and Sciences

American Pakistan Foundation

Amroha Education Foundation

Angels in the Field

Anglican Rite Roman Catholic Church

Aotearoa Youth Leadership Institute

Apex Development Foundation

Appui solidaire pour le renforcement de l'aide au développement

Arc Finance, Ltd.

Asociación Colectivo Mujeres al Derecho (ASOCOLEMAD)

Asociación La Ruta del Clima

Associação Nacional de Deficiência Mentais Raras - Raríssimas

Association Assistance communautaire et développement

Association consortium pour les aires et territoires du patrimoine autochtone et communautaire (APAC)

Association des femmes pour la promotion et le développement endogène

Association Jbel Ayachi pour le développement culturel, social, économique et de l'environnement

Association Ma'onah for Human Rights and Immigration

Association pour la défense des droits de la femme mauritanienne

Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League, Inc. (AIVL)

Avocats sans frontières - Québec

Babatunde Development and Empowerment Initiative

Bangladesh Association for Development of Trade and Finance (BADTF)

BCARE USA, Inc. (BCARE International)

Beijing Changier Education Foundation

Beijing Guangming Charity Foundation

Beit Hagalgalim/House of Wheels Bien-être social pour tous Bir Dünya Çocuk Derneği Brain Sluice Africa Child's Cámara de Instituciones de Diagnóstico Médico (CADIME) Center for the Study of Crime Centre de recherche et d'action pour le développement durable et l'épanouissement des sociétés Centro de Información y Educación para la Prevención del Abuso de Drogas (CEDRO) Chengmei Charity Foundation China Charities Aid Foundation for Children Churches in One Accord Commit-2-Change, Inc. **Community Development Alliance Compassion Soul Winners Outreach International** ComunidadMujer Concern for Human Welfare Confederation of Indian Healthcare Foundation (CIHF) **Continents University** Corporación Colectivo de Abogados José Alvear Restrepo Corporación Fiscalia del Medio Ambiente (FIMA) CrowdGuard Dignidad y Justicia en el Camino, Asociación Civil Direct Aid Organization Earth Law Center Ecocentre for Environmental Protection EL-Aged Care, Limited by Guarantee Əlil Təşkilatları İttifaqı European Network on Debt and Development Farhikhtegan'e Mosalman Association Feminenza International, Ltd. Fondation du Dr Julien Fondation européenne d'études progressistes Fondation Medicines Patent Pool Fondation Millennia 2025 Femmes et Innovation Fondazione di ricerca scientifica ed umanistica Antonio Meneghetti

Forum européen des femmes musulmanes
Foundation for Building Sustainable Communities
Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children
Fundación Abba Colombia
Fundación Cepaim, Acción Integral con Migrantes
Gap Intercessors Ministry International
Gender and Development Action, Limited
Georgetown University)
Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety
Global Medic Force (Europe)
Global Music & Wellness, Inc.
Green Mobilisation Initiative
Groundswell International, Inc.
Helpline Foundation for the Needy, Abuja
Hinduistička Vjerska Zajednica Hrvatske
Human Rights Center in Iraq
Ikkaido, Ltd.
Imam Ali Charity Institution
Instituto de Estudos Socioeconômicos
International Action for Peace & Sustainable Development
International Arts Movement, Inc.
International Society for Peace and Safety
Iranian Thalassemia Society
Italian Climate Network
Justiça Global
Kadın Sağlıkçılar Eğitim ve Dayanışma Vakfı
Kallipatira
Kids' Educational Engagement Projec (KEEP)
La Voûte nubienne
League of Women Voters of Nigeria
Local Environment Development and Agricultural Research Society (LEDARS)
Love Alliance Foundation for Orphans, Disabled and Abandoned Persons in Nigeria
Magyar Női Unió Egyesület
Markaz Toseeh Tehran
Medical and Educational Sustainable Community Help, Incorporated (MESCH)
Medijski Edukativni Centar
Migration Council Australia

Montréal International Mundo a Sorrir - Associação de Médicos Dentistas Solidários Portugueses MUSIAD Corp. National Association for the Defense of Rights and Freedoms National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Nature's Rights Nikookaran Sharif Charity Ogiek Peoples' Development Program (OPDP) One Earth Future Foundation, Inc. ONG Funsocial Crecer Colombia Opportunity Two Excel Foundation Organisation pour de nouvelles initiatives en développement et santé au Burkina Faso Organización no gubernamental de Desarrollo Piensa Discapacidad Panoramic Charity Foundation Partenaires pour le développement rural (PDR) Peace Initiative Network Peace Society of Kenya PeaceTrees Vietnam Pearl Initiative. Inc. Permanent Peace Movement Phelyn Skill Acquisition Center Poka Healthcare Foundation Rahbord Peimayesh Research & Educational Services Cooperative Rescue the Poor Child RIO Rusmisbrukernes Interesseorganisasjon Sanctuary for Families, Inc. Sanid Organization for Relief and Development Seek the Peace Silambam Asia (SILA) Smart Women's Community Institute Smile Again Africa Development Organization Smile Youth Initiative International Sociedad Espiritista Kardeciana Cruzada Quisicuaba Sociedad Mexicana de Criminología Capítulo Nuevo León Sociedad y Discapacidad: Estudios, Asesoría e Integración de la Persona con Discapacidad "Sociedad y Discapacidad"

Society for Orphan, Neglected & Youths (SONY) Solidarité humanitaire South Youth Organization SPD Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation Stichting Deep Sea Conservation Coalition Stopaids Swiss Academy for Development (SAD) Syndicat chrétien des travailleurs du Congo (SCTC) TASC National, Limited Terre des femmes, Schweiz The Centre for Family Health Initiatives The Institute for Protection of Women's Rights (IPWR) The National Council of African Descendants in America The New Generation Girls and Women Development Initiative The Paz Foundation The Reality of Aid Africa Network The Union of Arab Banks The Victor Pineda Foundation Tiruzer Ethiopia for Africa (TEA) **TOBE** Foundation for Rights & Freedoms Triumphant Hand of Mercy Initiative, NPC Tsilhqot'in National Government Uluslararası Süleymaniye Eğitim ve Yardımlaşma Derneği Union nationale des femmes algériennes Union of Relief and Development Associations Union pour la promotion de la femme et de L'enfant nigérienne Union Theological Seminary Universal Peace and Violence Amelioration Centre Universal Soul Love **US UCIA Corporation** Wassa Karité Women Initiative for Sustainable Environment Women's Initiative for Self-Actualization World Obesity Federation Yemeni Observatory for Rights and Sustainable Development Yoruba Indigene's Foundation

Youth Crime Watch of Liberia

Youth Education and Leadership Initiative

Youth Health and Development Organization

Youth Initiative against Unlawful Emigration

YUVA - Mauritius

Zaindriss Foundation Inc

Zomi National Council of Myanmar Social Organization, Kalaymyo (ZNCM)

New applications deferred

9. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 103 organizations pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2019 regular session:

A New Dawn – Bedouin Jewish Centre in the Negev for Equality and Accessibility in Education, Research, Peace and Welfare Services, RA

Afrikaanse Forum vir Burgerregte

Aleh Jerusalem Centres

American Center for International Labor Solidarity

Asamblea Permanente por los Derechos Humanos - La Matanza

Association of Non-for-Profit Organizations to Facilitate the Drug Prevention and Socially Dangerous Behaviour "National Anti-Drug Union"

Association of Professional Social Workers And Development Practitioners

Association pour une jeunesse africaine progressiste

Association québécoise des organismes de coopération internationale (AQOCI)

Association réseau de centres d'entraînement aux méthodes d'éducation active du Cameroun

Avaaz Foundation

Belarusian Fund of Peace

Blue Cross & Blue Crescent Society

Burundi Rugby League - Rugby à Xiii

Care 2 Give, Inc.

Center for Sex Education and Family Life, Ltd./Gte.

Centro Mujeres, AC

Chanan Development Association

Chavara Cultural Centre

Chorbut Local Support Organization (Chorbut LSO)

Churches for Middle East Peace

Collectif Alpha Ujuvi

Community Human Rights and Advocacy Centre (CHRAC)

Conflict Dynamics International, Inc.

Cruelty Free International Dalit Welfare Association Darfur Women Action Group Democracy Reporting International, gGmbH Drug Free Pakistan Foundation Earth Ensar Vakfı Environmental and Societal Development Foundation **Envisions Institute of Development** Family Planning NSW Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI) Fundación Alianza por los Derechos, la Igualdad y la Solidaridad Internacional **Global Buddhist Foundation** Global Coalition for Peace and Security, Inc. Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization Global One 2015 Global Rights for Women Grace Leadership Foundation. Inc. Great Enlightenment Lotus Society, Inc. **GSM** Association Health Limited Helpage India Human Is Right Humanitarian Tracker IAMANEH Schweiz Suisse Svizzera Switzerland International Civil Society Action Network, Inc. International Convocation of Unitarian Universalist Women International Council for Small Business International Council on Monuments and Sites International Medical Corps International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Inc. (ESCR-Net) International Organization for Educational Development International Programme on the State of the Ocean Kaarvan Crafts Foundation Legal Center for Women's Initiatives Sana Sezim Maalkop Trading and Projects

National Committee on American Foreign Policy, Inc. NORSAAC Occupational Knowledge International OneMama, Incorporated **OneNess Foundations Diaspora USA** Pan African Girl Child Education Foundation Partners for Progressive Israel Partnership for Observation of the Global Oceans Society Peace without Limits International Organization, Inc. (PWL) Peaceever TV International Media Group, Inc. Philippine Social Enterprise Network, Inc. Public Organization "Institute for the Study of Dependencies, Drug Policy Issues and Monitoring the Drug Situation" Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, Inc. **Rupani** Foundation Sabawon Sheikh Abdullah Al Nouri Charity Society Shuhada Organization (SO) Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce Society for Union of Muslims And Empowerment (SUMAE) Foundation Sohag Community Development and Caring Children with Special Needs Association Stichting Iranian Center for International Criminal Law Stichting Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport Foundation (SLOCAT) Su Politikaları Derneği Swedwatch The Bar Human Rights Committee The Center for Bioethics and Culture The Egyptian Coordination for Law and Justice The Foundation for Political, Economic and Social Research (SETA) The Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime Türk Kadınlar Birliği Derneği Union des peuples autochtones pour le réveil au développement **UNISC** International United National Organization of Human Rights United States Council for the International Business, Incorporated Vikash Deep

Voluntary Integration for Education and Welfare of Society

Všį "Žmogaus teisių apsauga"

Welfare Association Jared

Yayasan Kota Kita Surakarta

YouChange China Social Entrepreneur Foundation

Youth and Development Consultancy Institute

YWCA of Japan

Requests for reclassification

10. At its 5th and 11th meetings, on 23 and 28 January, the Committee considered six requests for reclassification of consultative status, including three new requests, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/R.3, and three deferred requests, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/R.2. It recommended the reclassification of two organizations from special to general consultative status and one from the Roster to general consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, subparas. (b) and (c)) and deferred its consideration of the applications for reclassification of status of the following three organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee:

The Fishermen

Institute of Noahide Code

Widows for Peace through Democracy

C. Request for a merger and other matters

Request for a merger

11. At its 11th meeting, on 28 January, the Committee took note of the merger of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, which had obtained special consultative status in 2011, with the Cluster Munition Coalition to form the International Campaign to Ban Landmines – Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC), as contained in document E/C.2/2019/CRP.3. The Committee recommended that the Council grant special consultative status to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines – Cluster Munition (ICBL-CMC) (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (e)). It decided to further defer its consideration of the application of the Social Service Agency of the Protestant Church in Germany (in special consultative status) for its merger with the Protestant Development Service (an organization not in status with the Council) to form the Protestant Agency for Diakonie and Development, which had been deferred from the previous session, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee.

Requests for a change of name

12. At its 14th meeting, on 29 January, the Committee considered eight new requests for a change of name by organizations in consultative status, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/CRP.5. It decided to take note of the change of name of seven of the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (d)) and defer its consideration of the request for a change of name by the following organization, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed by the Committee:

Initiative féministe européenne (special, 2016) to Initiative féministe euroméditerranéenne (IFE EFI)

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

A. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council that had been deferred at the resumed session

13. At its 13th meeting, on 29 January, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (a), Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council. It had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of 90 quadrennial reports submitted by NGOs in general and special consultative status on their activities during the period 2005–2018, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2019/CRP.4). Of the 90 reports, the Committee took note of the reports of the following nine organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (f)):

Club of Madrid (COM) (2011-2014)

American Psychological Association (2012-2015)

Commission of the Churches on International Affairs of the World Council of Churches 2012–2015

Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (2013-2016)

Federación de Asociaciones de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos (2012–2015)

Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (2013–2016)

Heritage Foundation (2011–2014)

Homosexuelle Initiative Wien (2013-2016)

Simply Help (2009–2012)

14. The Committee decided to further defer the consideration of the 81 deferred quadrennial reports submitted by the following 66 organizations:

Amnesty International (2008-2011)

Amnesty International (2012–2015)

Armenian Assembly of America (2007-2010)

Armenian Assembly of America (2011–2014)

Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (2012–2015)

Canadian Environmental Network (2013-2016)

Catholics for Choice (2010–2013)

Catolicas por el Derecho a Decidir (2009–2012)

Centrist Democratic International (2006–2009)

Centrist Democratic International (2010-2013)

Christian Conference of Asia (2012–2015)

Cross-Cultural Solutions (2011-2014)

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights (2010–2013)

Equality Now (2013–2016)

Federación Internacional de Fe y Alegría (2011–2014) France Libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2007-2010) France Libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand (2011–2014) Freedom House (2007–2010) Freedom House (2011–2014) Global Environmental Action (GEA) (2009–2012) Habitat International Coalition (2013–2016) Human Rights Advocates, Inc. (2013–2016) Human Rights House Foundation (2011–2014) Human Rights Watch (2009-2012) Human Rights Watch (2013-2016) Institute of Inter-Balkan Relations (2010–2013) Inter-American Press Association (2013–2016) International Association for Religious Freedom (2011–2014) International Council on Social Welfare (2012–2015) International Federation for Home Economics (2013–2016) International Federation for Human Rights Leagues (2012–2015) International Federation of Journalists (2005–2008) International Federation of Journalists (2009–2012) International Federation of Journalists (2013–2016) International PEN (2006–2009) International Press Institute (2001–2004) International Press Institute (2005–2008) International Press Institute (2009–2012) International Press Institute (2013–2016) International Service for Human Rights (2011–2014) International Union of Socialist Youth (2005–2008) Jammu and Kashmir Council for Human Rights (JKCHR) (2013-2016) Lawyers without Borders (2012–2015) Lawyers for Lawyers (2013–2016) Lawyers' Rights Watch Canada (2013–2016) Miroslava International Alliance (2013-2016) Mahila Dakshata Samiti (2012-2015) Médecins sans frontières (international) (2012–2015) Minhaj-ul-Quran International (2011–2014) Minority Rights Group (2012–2015)

National Council of Women of Canada (2013-2016)

Open Society Institute (2013–2016)

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

Pathfinder International (2011–2014)

People's Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (2012–2015)

Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water (2013–2016)

Redress Trust (2011-2014)

Reporters sans frontières international/Reporters without Borders International (2005–2008)

Reporters -sans frontières international/Reporters without Borders International (2009–2012)

Reporters sans frontières international/Reporters without Borders International (2013–2016)

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

Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung – Gesellschaftsanalyse und Politische Bildung, eV (2013–2016)

Scholars at Risk Network (2013–2016)

Simon Wiesenthal Center (2011–2014)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2013–2016)

Temple of Understanding (2011–2014)

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (2011–2014)

Ukrainian World Congress (2003–2006)

Ukrainian World Congress (2007–2010)

Ukrainian World Congress (2011–2014)

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (2009–2012)

Verein Sudwind Entwicklungspolitik (2013–2016)

Witness (2013–2016)

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

World Council of Arameans (Syriacs) (2007–2010)

World Council of Independent Christian Churches (2012-2015)

World Hunger Year, Inc. (2012–2015)

World Jewish Congress (2011–2014)

World Organisation against Torture (2010–2013)

World Vision International (2012–2015)

Young Women's Christian Association (2013–2016)

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

15. At its 11th to 13th meetings, on 28 and 29 January, 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 439 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2019/2, E/C.2/2019/2/Add.1, E/C.2/2019/2/Add.2 and E/C.2/2019/CRP.7-33). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 390 of the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (f)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of the reports of the following 49 organizations:

Alliance Defending Freedom (2014-2017)

Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum (2014–2017)

Baha'i International Community (2014-2017)

Center for Development of Civil Society (2014-2017)

Centrist Democratic International (2014-2017)

Centro de Promoción y Defensa de los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos (2014–2017)

Dominicans for Justice and Peace - Order of Preachers (2014-2017)

Dones per la Llibertat i Democràcia (2014-2017)

Donne in Rete contro la Violenza (2014–2017)

Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (2014-2017)

Education International (2014–2017)

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights (2014–2017)

End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes, Inc. (2014–2017)

European Humanist Federation (2014–2017)

European Union of Women (2014-2017)

Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe (2014–2017)

Fondation pour un Centre pour le Développement Socio-Economique (2014-2017)

Fundacion Pro Humanae Vitae (2014-2017)

Gender at Work (2014-2017)

Generation Initiative for Women and Youth Network (2014-2017)

Global Alliance against Traffic in Women (2014–2017)

Grassroots Organisations Operating Together in Sisterhood (2014–2017)

Henry Dunant Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (2014–2017)

Human Life International, Inc. (2014-2017)

Human Resource Development Foundation (2014–2017)

IBON International Foundation, Inc. (2014-2017)

IDPC Consortium (2014-2017)

Institute for Economics and Peace, Limited (2014–2017) International Alliance of Patients' Organizations (2014–2017) International Council of Societies of Industrial Design (ICSID) (2014–2017) International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (2014–2017) International Justice Resource Center, Inc. (2014–2017) Japanese Association of International Women's Rights (JAIWR) (2014–2017) John D and Catherine T MacArthur Foundation (2014–2017) Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women (KFAW) (2014–2017) Kiwanis International (2014–2017) Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany (2014–2017) Local Governments for Sustainability (2014–2017) Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers (2014–2017) Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic, Inc. (2014–2017) Medico International (2014–2017) Mennonite Central Committee (2014–2017) Natural Justice (2014–2017) Presbyterian Church (USA) (2014–2017) The Law Society (2014–2017) United Nations Watch (2014–2017) World for World Organization (2014–2017) World Organization of the Scout Movement (2014-2017) Young Women's Christian Association of Australia (2014–2017)

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

16. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network, and heard oral reports made by the Secretariat.

17. The Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs highlighted that the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development had led to the mobilization of civil society and amplified its interest in contributing to the work of the United Nations. She noted that there had been a sharp increase in the number of applications received by the Branch from NGOs for consultative status, from 440 applications in 2014 to 820 in 2019, and that the trend was bound to continue. Consequently, the processing of new applications and quadrennial reports and the addressing of other tasks in the absence of additional human resources had had an impact on the workload of the Branch, leading to a growing backlog of new applications submitted to the Committee.

18. The Director stressed that there was an urgent need to secure additional human and advanced technical resources to enable the Secretariat and the Committee to deal effectively with the growing workload. In that regard, she informed the Committee that the Branch had developed a project aimed at replacing the outdated electronic platforms used by the Branch, including the integrated Civil Society Organizations System, the Civil Society Network and the Committee's paperless system, with a unique, integrated system tailored to the needs of the Branch. She added that efforts were under way to identify systems that would enhance performance and provide faster and improved services to the Committee and NGOs and sought the Committee's support for the endeavour.

19. The Director also assured the Committee of her Office's support in its consideration of the invitation issued to the Committee by the General Assembly, in its resolution 72/305, to examine how it could accommodate effectively the growing number of applications of NGOs for consultative status.

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

20. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, and at its 11th, 12th and 13th meetings, on 28 and 29 January, the Committee considered recommendations for improving its working methods.

21. At the 12th meeting of the Committee, on 28 January, the Secretariat brought to the Committee's attention that, in the questionnaire for the submission of quadrennial reports, NGOs were requested to report on initiatives taken by their organizations to implement the Millennium Development Goals. The Committee was requested to authorize the Secretariat to update the reference to the more recently adopted Sustainable Development Goals.

22. The representative of Cuba noted that, in the past, the Committee had dealt with significant amendments to the working methods or questionnaires relating to the Committee's work through an established working group and urged that the Committee adhere to that established practice. He further noted that some reports pending before the Committee related to activities implemented before the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals and that, as such, organizations should still be required to report on those activities. He encouraged the Secretariat to notify the Committee in advance regarding procedural matters to be addressed during the Committee's session to allow adequate time for consultations before deliberations. Following a clarification by the Secretariat, the Committee decided to amend the reference in the questionnaire for quadrennial reports to include both the Millennium Development Goals and the Sustainable Development Goals and the Sustainable Development Goals and the vertice the Secretariat to amend the questionnaire accordingly. The reference will therefore read: "Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals/Sustainable Development Goals".

23. At its 13th meeting, on 29 January, the Committee discussed the issue of non-responses by NGOs to questions raised by the Committee in relation to their

quadrennial reports and the lack of guidance in place to deal with such situations. The Chair indicated that he would convene informal consultations to further consider the matter.

24. At the 15th meeting, on 30 January, the representative of India recalled that the Committee had previously held informal discussions on a proposal to screen NGO applications for consultative status against the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List. She noted that a follow-up briefing by United Nations offices regarding the issue, which had been requested by the Committee, had been postponed. She requested that the Secretariat provide a new date for the next informal meeting, at which the Committee would receive a briefing from relevant United Nations offices on how to implement the proposal going forward.

VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

25. At its 1st and 10th meetings, on 21 and 25 January, the Committee considered the special report submitted by the delegation of the United States of America. At the 1st meeting of the Committee, on 21 January, the representative of the United States referred to a diplomatic note dated 15 January 2019 (see annex) that had previously been circulated to members of the Committee and that contained a request for the withdrawal of the special consultative status of the NGO China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC).

26. The representative of the United States expressed her delegation's concern regarding the global crackdown on civil society and attempts to close civic space. She stated that the Committee had a responsibility to ensure the accreditation and fair treatment of NGOs that contributed to the work of the United Nations and affirmed her delegation's commitment to working in an open and transparent manner towards that end. She stressed the important role of civil society in representing the values and aspirations of the Charter of the United Nations and providing alternative voices at the United Nations.

27. The representative of the United States expressed regret, however, that some organizations attempted to use the United Nations platform and accreditation to perpetrate fraudulent and illicit activities, in violation of United Nations rules, and she noted that that was a breach of trust and a serious threat to organizations that were making important contributions to the United Nations. In that regard, she referred to the diplomatic note dated 15 January 2019 and the request contained therein. She stated that the request had been made following the conviction of an individual in United States federal court on serious criminal charges relating to his use of the organization as a platform for criminal activity, as detailed in the diplomatic note. Noting with regret that an NGO had subverted and manipulated its accreditation with the Economic and Social Council, she stressed that it was important for the Committee to carry out its responsibility to protect and ensure the continued integrity of the accreditation process by taking prompt action to address the case.

28. The representative of the United States informed the Committee that a jury in a Manhattan federal court had found the Deputy Chairman and Secretary-General of China Energy Fund Committee, Chi Ping Patrick Ho, guilty of taking part in a multiyear, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe foreign leaders for CEFC China Energy, a Shanghai-based corporate entity that was the primary benefactor of China Energy Fund Committee. She stated that Mr. Ho had been convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, international money-laundering and conspiracy to commit both and that court documents and evidence presented at the trial had shown that he had utilized the special consultative status of China Energy Fund Committee to gain access to United Nations resources and people in order to advance commercial goals, including through bribery schemes. She added that the organization had failed to file the tax documents required of non-profit organizations in the United States and that no activity had been registered at the organization's Virginia-based location since Mr. Ho's conviction.

29. The representative of the United States recalled paragraph 57 (a) of Council resolution 1996/31, which stipulated that the consultative status of an organization should be suspended up to three years or withdrawn if an organization, either directly or through its affiliates or representatives acting on its behalf, clearly abused its status by engaging in a pattern of acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations. She further recalled that paragraph 57 (b) of the resolution stipulated that consultative status be suspended up to three years or withdrawn if there existed substantiated evidence of influence from proceeds resulting from internationally recognized criminal activities, such as the illicit drugs trade, moneylaundering or the illegal arms trade. Citing the conviction of Mr. Ho on moneylaundering charges and his use of the organization's consultative status and resources for criminal and bribery-related activities, she urged the Committee to withdraw China Energy Fund Committee's consultative status in accordance with paragraph 57 of resolution 1996/31 in order to prevent the use of Council consultative status as a platform for criminal activity. She requested that the organization be given an opportunity to submit a response to the concerns raised by her delegation in writing for consideration by the Committee.

30. The representative of India stated that non-governmental organizations with consultative status made important contributions to the work of the United Nations by implementing programmes at the grass-roots level, providing information, analysis and support to a wide range of activities and strengthening multi-stakeholder dialogue and alliance-building. She noted that the partnership between the United Nations and the NGOs was based on mutual trust as well as the trust of the communities whose voices the NGOs represented. She further noted that consultative status was granted on the premise that organizations in such status with the Economic and Social Council would not, under any circumstances, abuse the status or engage in acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations. She stressed that organizations in consultative status should conduct their affairs by impeccable moral and ethical standards and that any detraction from that conduct required immediate corrective action by the Committee, in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31. Noting the gravity of the issues raised by the delegation of the United States, she supported the proposal to grant the NGO in question an opportunity to explain its position before the Committee.

31. The representative of India further stated that the situation called for introspection about strengthening methods of exercising due diligence under existing rules, procedures and practices of the consultative mechanism when granting status, as well as reviewing and monitoring the activities of organizations in consultative status. In that regard, she recalled that her delegation had proposed that NGO applications be screened against the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List to ensure that individuals and entities with terrorist links were prevented from entering into consultative status with the Council. She noted that informal consultations regarding the screening of NGO applications against the Sanctions List had been convened in 2018 and expressed hope that progress would be made in the implementation of her delegation's proposal.

32. At its 10th meeting, on 25 January, the Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 7, Consideration of special reports. The Secretariat informed the Committee that the formal complaint submitted by the United States Mission to the

United Nations had been transmitted to the NGO with a request for a response by 24 January 2019, but that the organization had not yet responded to the request.

33. The representative of the Russian Federation noted that the Committee's decision to recommend the withdrawal of the organization's consultative status China Energy Fund Committee might be precipitous because the court conviction of the organization's representative could be the subject of an appeal or reversed by an appellate court.

34. The Committee decided to recommend the withdrawal of the consultative status of China Energy Fund Committee.

VII. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

35. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2019 regular session from 21 to 30 January and on 8 February. The Committee held 16 meetings.

36. The session was opened by the Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Marion Barthelemy.

37. At the 1st meeting of the Committee, on 21 January, the Vice-Chair of the Committee, Nadav Yesod (Israel), made a statement, which was followed by an introductory statement by the Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development.

38. The representative of the United States of America made a general statement expressing support for the participation of civil society in the work of the United Nations. She welcomed the successful consultations held between the Committee and NGOs in consultative status on 22 June 2018 and urged the Committee to make such consultations a part of its regular practice by holding them before each session, in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31. She stated that the continuing increase in the number of organizations applying for consultative status was an indication of the significance and impact of consultative status for NGOs. She urged the Committee to review and accredit as many qualified NGOs as possible and to apply strict time limits in order to ensure that all applications were considered.

39. The representative of Brazil noted that the Committee on was a fundamental tool in the dialogue and cooperation between the United Nations system and civil society. He noted that, since 1946, the Committee had contributed to making the international order more inclusive and diverse while at the same time reaffirming the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations. He reaffirmed his delegation's support for resolution 1996/31, noting that it enabled the participation of civil society in the work of the United Nations. He expressed confidence that the principles of sovereign equality, civil society participation and respect for rules and procedures would guide the mandate and work of the Committee.

40. The representative of the European Union expressed support for the effective, fair and transparent functioning of the Committee and welcomed efforts made to enhance the Committee's engagement with civil society, notably the consultations with NGOs in consultative status held by the Committee on 22 June 2018. He noted that the active engagement of NGOs in the consultations had yielded valuable recommendations that would ensure that civil society voices were heard at the United Nations. He further noted that, although the consultations had highlighted progress made in the participation of NGOs in the United Nations and in the application

processes, they had also brought to light several concerns regarding the transparency, objectivity and efficiency of the Committee's accreditation processes, notably repetitive questioning and delays regarding applications, disproportionately affecting NGOs working on specific sensitive human rights concerns. He highlighted some of the issues stressed by NGOs, including the importance of developing clear guidelines for the assessment of applications and the need to ensure that all allegations against NGOs were shared with the concerned organizations in sufficient time to allow them a reasonable opportunity to respond. He encouraged the Committee to consider the valuable recommendations made during the consultation process and called for sustained engagement with civil society on the issues raised, with a view to enhancing confidence in the Committee's proceedings.

41. The observer for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland highlighted the critical role of NGOs in encouraging the free exchange of ideas and promoting accountability. He emphasized the importance of ensuring that civil society organizations operated effectively, without impediments to their work or their outreach to communities, and expressed concern that several States had introduced legislation to restrict such work. He urged Governments to allow civil society the space to engage without fear of reprisal. He welcomed the consultations held by the Committee with NGOs in consultative status on 22 June 2018 and urged that the key recommendations made during those consultations be used to inform the work of the Committee. He encouraged the Committee to hold further consultations and to provide an update on the follow-up action taken on the recommendations made. He stressed that the Committee played a vital role in ensuring that NGOs contributed to decision-making at the United Nations and appealed to the Committee to process NGO applications that had languished before it in a fair and transparent way. He expressed concern regarding attacks on the freedom of the media and urged that steps be taken to tackle the challenges facing journalists and media workers, including by ensuring that civil society organizations addressing such freedom could engage with the United Nations.

42. The observer for Uruguay noted the critical role of the Committee in facilitating the participation of NGOs in the work of the United Nations. She stated that NGOs contributed diverse and valuable perspectives on key issues and were therefore indispensable partners in strengthening peace, human rights and security and in supporting the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. She noted that the continued increase in the number of NGO applications for consultative status was an indication of the high expectations of civil society organizations with regard to the process and a challenge for the Committee to meet with respect to the growing demand. She welcomed recent efforts made to improve the working methods of the Committee, notably the webcasting of its meetings and the inaugural consultations held with NGOs in consultative status on 22 June 2018. She suggested that the Committee explore practical measures to further improve its working methods, such as by simplifying the application form and setting time limits for Member States with regard to their review of applications. She encouraged the Committee to continue its efforts to ensure that its role as an intermediary between civil society and the United Nations system was implemented in an effective and non-political manner.

43. The observer for Austria expressed his delegation's willingness to support the Committee in strengthening the implementation of Council resolution 1996/31 and in ensuring the fair and timely access of NGOs to the United Nations. He welcomed the consultations held with NGOs in consultative status in June 2018 and looked forward to the Committee's follow-up to the concerns and proposals raised during those consultations.

B. Attendance

44. 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 of the United Nations system and representatives of NGOs also attended. The list of participants will be issued in document E/C.2/2019/INF/1.

45. At its 2019 regular session, the Committee heard 16 representatives of NGOs, who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

46. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee elected Nadav Yesod (Israel) as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

47. At its 12th meeting, on 28 January, the Committee elected Mohamed Sallam (Sudan) as Chair of the Committee.

D. Agenda

48. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2019 session, as contained in document E/C.2/2019/1. The agenda 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 2020 session of the Committee.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2019 session.

VIII. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2019 regular session

49. At its 15th meeting, on 30 January, 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.

50. At its 16th meeting, on 8 February 2019, the Committee adopted the present report.

ANNEX

UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS NEW YORK

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The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the UN Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO Committee) and has the honor to call the Chair's attention to the **China Energy Fund Committee** (CEFC), an NGO with special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. The United States Mission to the United Nations requests that the NGO Committee recommend withdrawal of CEFC's consultative status during its regular session in January 2019, in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31.

In its application for ECOSOC consultative status, CEFC describes itself as a non-governmental, nonprofit organization. CEFC is registered in both Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China) and Virginia, USA, and is funded by CEFC China Energy Company Limited, a Chinese energy conglomerate based in Shanghai. CEFC received ECOSOC special consultative status in 2011.

On December 5, 2018, a jury in a Manhattan federal court found Chi Ping Patrick Ho — CEFC's Deputy Chairman and Secretary General — guilty of taking part in a multi-year, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe foreign leaders in Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for the Chinese energy conglomerate CEFC China Energy Company Limited. Ho was convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, international money laundering, and conspiracy to commit both. HO utilized CEFC's ECOSOC special consultative status to access UN resources and people and advance commercial goals, including through bribery schemes. Enclosed is the Press Release from the U.S. Department of Justice on the conviction.

ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 governs the process for ECOSOC consultative status. Article 57(a) of 1996/31 stipulates that the consultative status of non-governmental organizations shall be suspended up to three years or withdrawn "If an organization, either directly or through its affiliates or representatives acting on its behalf clearly abuses its status by engaging in a pattern of acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.""

Article 57(b) of 1996/31 further stipulates that consultative status be suspended up to three years or withdrawn "If there exists substantiated evidence of influence from proceeds resulting from internationally recognized criminal activities such as the illicit drugs trade, money-laundering or the illegal arm trade."

Mr. Jorge Dotta

Chair of the United Nations Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, New York, New York

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

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Given the conviction of CEFC leader Chi Ping Patrick Ho on money laundering charges and the use of the organization for criminal activity, the United States Mission to the United Nations requests that the NGO Committee recommend withdrawal of CEFC's consultative status, in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31.

The United States Mission to the United Nations kindly asks that this Diplomatic Note be made available to all members of the NGO Committee for their careful consideration.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Chair and Members of the NGO Committee the assurances of its highest consideration.



New York, January 15, 2019

Enclosure: As stated

Department of Justice U.S. Attorney's Office Southern District of New York

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Patrick Ho, Former Head Of Organization Backed By Chinese Energy Conglomerate, Convicted Of International Bribery, Money Laundering Offenses

Ho Schemed to Bribe the President of Chad, President and Foreign Minister of Uganda

Geoffrey S. Berman, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and Assistant Attorney General Brian A. Benczkowski of the Justice Department's Criminal Division announced that CHI PING PATRICK HO, a/k/a "Patrick C.P. Ho," a/k/a "He Zhiping," was found guilty today after a jury trial before U.S. District Judge Loretta A. Preska of participating in a multi-year, multimillion-dollar scheme to bribe top officials of Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for CEFC China Energy Limited ("CEFC China"). HO was convicted of violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), international money laundering, and conspiracy to commit both. HO is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Preska on March 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

Manhattan U.S. Attorney Geoffrey S. Berman said: "Patrick Ho now stands convicted of scheming to pay millions in bribes to foreign leaders in Chad and Uganda, all as part of his efforts to corruptly secure unfair business advantages for a multibillion-dollar Chinese energy company. As the jury's verdict makes clear, Ho's repeated attempts to corrupt foreign leaders were not business as usual, but criminal efforts to undermine the fairness of international markets and erode the public's faith in its leaders."

Assistant Attorney General Brian A. Benczkowski: "Patrick Ho paid millions of dollars in bribes to the leaders of two African countries to secure contracts for a Chinese conglomerate. Today's trial conviction demonstrates the Criminal Division's commitment to prosecuting those who seek to utilize our financial system to secure unfair competition advantages through corruption and bribery."

According to the Indictment, evidence presented at trial, and other public proceedings in the case:

Overview

HO was involved in two bribery schemes to pay top officials of Chad and Uganda in exchange for business advantages for CEFC China, a Shanghai-based multibillion-dollar conglomerate that operates internationally in multiple sectors, including oil, gas, and banking. At the center of both schemes was HO, the head of a non-governmental organization based in Hong Kong and Arlington, Virginia, the China Energy Fund Committee (the "CEFC NGO"), which held "Special Consultative

Status" with the United Nations ("UN") Economic and Social Council. CEFC NGO was funded by CEFC China.

In the first scheme (the "Chad Scheme"), HO, on behalf of CEFC China, offered a \$2 million cash bribe, hidden within gift boxes, to Idriss Déby, the President of Chad, in an effort to obtain valuable oil rights from the Chadian government. In the second scheme (the "Uganda Scheme"), HO caused a \$500,000 bribe to be paid, via wires transmitted through New York, New York, to an account designated by Sam Kutesa, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uganda, who had recently completed his term as the President of the UN General Assembly. HO also schemed to pay a \$500,000 cash bribe to Yoweri Museveni, the President of Uganda, and offered to provide both Kutesa and Museveni with additional corrupt benefits by "partnering" with them in future joint ventures in Uganda.

The Chad Scheme

The Chad Scheme began in or about September 2014 when HO flew into New York, New York to attend the annual UN General Assembly. At that time, CEFC China was working to expand its operations to Chad and wanted to meet with President Déby as quickly as possible. Through a connection, HO was introduced to Cheikh Gadio, the former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Senegal, who had a personal relationship with President Déby. HO and Gadio met at CEFC China's suite at Trump World Tower in midtown Manhattan, where HO enlisted Gadio to assist CEFC China in obtaining access to President Déby.

Gadio connected HO and CEFC China to President Déby. In an initial meeting in Chad in November 2014, President Déby described to HO and CEFC China executives certain lucrative oil rights that were available for CEFC China to acquire. Following that meeting, Gadio advised HO and CEFC China to send a technical team to Chad to investigate the oil rights and make an offer to President Déby. Instead, HO insisted on a prompt second meeting with the President. The second meeting took place a few weeks later, in December 2014. HO led a CEFC China delegation, which flew into Chad on a corporate jet with \$2 million cash concealed within several gift boxes. At the conclusion of a business meeting with President Déby, HO and the CEFC China executives presented President Déby with the gift boxes.

To the surprise of HO and the CEFC China executives, President Déby rejected the \$2 million bribe offer. HO subsequently drafted a letter to President Déby claiming that the cash had been intended as a donation to Chad. Ultimately, HO and CEFC China did not obtain the unfair advantage that they had sought through the bribe offer, and by mid-2015, HO had turned his attention to a different "gateway to Africa": Uganda.

The Uganda Scheme

The Uganda Scheme began around the same time as the Chad Scheme, when HO was in New York, New York for the annual UN General Assembly. HO met with Sam Kutesa, who had recently begun his term as the 69th President of the UN General Assembly ("PGA"). HO, purporting to act on behalf of CEFC NGO, met with Kutesa and began to cultivate a relationship with him. During the year that Kutesa served as PGA, HO and Kutesa discussed a "strategic partnership" between Uganda and CEFC

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China for various business ventures, to be formed once Kutesa completed his term as PGA and returned to Uganda.

In or about February 2016 — after Kutesa had returned to Uganda and resumed his role as Foreign Minister, and Museveni (Kutesa's relative) had been reelected as the President of Uganda - Kutesa solicited a payment from HO, purportedly for a charitable foundation that Kutesa wished to launch. HQ agreed to provide the requested payment, but simultaneously requested, on behalf of CEFC China, an invitation to Museveni's inauguration, business meetings with President Museveni and other high-level Ugandan officials, and a list of specific business projects in Uganda that CEFC China could participate in.

In May 2016, HO and CEFC China executives traveled to Uganda. Prior to departing, HO caused the CEFC NGO to wire \$500,000 to the account provided by Kutesa in the name of the so-called "foundation," which wire was transmitted through banks in New York, New York. HO also advised his boss, the Chairman of CEFC China, to provide \$500,000 in cash to President Museveni, ostensibly as a campaign donation, even though Museveni had already been reelected. HO intended these payments as bribes to influence Kutesa and Museveni to use their official power to steer business advantages to CEFC China.

HO and CEFC China executives attended President Museveni's inauguration and obtained business meetings in Uganda with President Museveni and top Ugandan officials, including at the Department of Energy and Mineral Resources. After the trip, HO requested that Kutesa and Museveni assist CEFC China in acquiring a Ugandan bank, as an initial step before pursuing additional ventures in Uganda. HO also explicitly offered to "partner" with Kutesa and Museveni and/or their "family businesses," making clear that both officials would share in CEFC China's future profits. In exchange for the bribes offered and paid by HO, Kutesa thereafter steered a bank acquisition opportunity to CEFC China.

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HO, 69, of Hong Kong, China, was convicted of one count of conspiring to violate the FCPA, four counts of violating the FCPA, one count of conspiring to commit international money laundering, and one count of committing international money laundering. The maximum penalties for these charges are as follows: five years in prison for conspiring to violate the FCPA; five years in prison for each violation of the FCPA; 20 years in prison for conspiring to commit international money laundering; and 20 years in prison for committing international money laundering. HO was acquitted of one count of international money laundering.

The maximum potential sentences in this case are prescribed by Congress and are provided here for informational purposes only, as the sentencing of HO will be determined by the judge.

Mr. Berman praised the outstanding work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation. He also thanked the Department of Homeland Security -

Homeland Security Investigations, and the Department of Justice, Criminal Division's Office of International Affairs.

This case is being prosecuted by the Office's Public Corruption Unit and the Criminal Division's Fraud Section, FCPA Unit. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Douglas S. Zolkind, Daniel C. Richenthal, and Catherine E. Ghosh, and Trial Attorney Paul A. Hayden of the Fraud Section, are in charge of the prosecution,

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