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I. Introduction

1. By its resolution 54/47 of 1 December 1999, the General Assembly, after taking note of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean (A/54/29), requested the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee to continue his informal consultations with the members of the Committee and to report through the Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session.

2. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 54/47, the Ad Hoc Committee held its session on 5 July 2001 at United Nations Headquarters, in New York. The Committee held one formal meeting, and the Chairman also held a number of consultations and meetings during 2001.

3. The following delegations made statements in the general discussion under agenda item 3: _____.

4. The Ad Hoc Committee is composed of the following States:

(a) Members (43)

Australia	Mozambique
Bangladesh	Netherlands
Bulgaria	Norway
Canada	Oman
China	Pakistan
Djibouti	Panama
Egypt	Poland
Ethiopia	Romania
Germany	Russian Federation
Greece	Seychelles
India	Singapore
Indonesia	Somalia
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Sri Lanka
Iraq	Sudan
Italy	Thailand
Japan	Uganda
Kenya	United Arab Emirates
Liberia	United Republic of Tanzania
Madagascar	Yemen
Malaysia	Zambia
Maldives	Zimbabwe
Mauritius	

(b) Observers: Nepal, South Africa, Sweden.

5. The elected officers of the Ad Hoc Committee were the following:

Chairman:

Mr. John de Saram (Sri Lanka)

Vice-Chairmen:

Ms. Bronte Moules (Australia)
Mr. Carlos dos Santos (Mozambique)
Mr. Hazairin Pohan (Indonesia)

Rapporteur:

Ms. Radafiarisoa Lea Raholinirina (Madagascar)

II. Work of the Ad Hoc Committee in 2001

A. Agenda of the Ad Hoc Committee

6. At its 448th meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the following agenda (A/AC.159/L.130):

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Report the Chairman of the Committee pursuant to paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 54/47 of 1 December 1999.
4. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session.
5. Other matters.

B. Report of the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee pursuant to paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 54/47

7. At its 448th meeting, on 5 July 2001, the Ad Hoc Committee considered agenda item 3 on the report the Chairman of the Committee pursuant to paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 54/47 of 1 December 1999. The Chairman of the Committee made the following comprehensive statement on his consultations:

[To be added by the Chairman]

8. During the meeting an exchange of views took place on, inter alia, the work of the Ad Hoc Committee.
9. [To be added]
10. [To be added]
11. [To be added]

C. Recommendations

12. The Chairman was requested to continue informal consultations with the members of the Ad Hoc Committee and to report through the Ad Hoc Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session.

D. Introduction and adoption of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session

13. At its 448th meeting, on 5 July 2001, the Rapporteur of the Ad Hoc Committee introduced the draft report of the Committee (A/AC.159/L.131).

14. In this connection, the Chairman informed the Members of the Committee of his intention to hold informal consultations concerning the text of the resolution to be submitted at the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

15. At the same meeting the Ad Hoc Committee considered and adopted the draft report to the General Assembly (A/AC.159/L.131).
