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Letter dated 15 January 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

I refer to my letter dated 19 October 2001 (S/2001/986) and its annex, which set out a work programme for the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) (the Counter-Terrorism Committee) for the first 90-day period. I attach herewith the Counter-Terrorism Committee's work programme for the second 90-day period.

The Committee welcomes the support it has received from the United Nations membership in the implementation of its mandate in the first 90 days and looks forward to receiving further cooperation in the coming work period. The Committee will continue to operate even-handedly and transparently in its work. As Chairman, I will continue to brief the wider membership regularly on the work of the Committee and to be accessible to them.

The Committee's focus in the second 90-day period will be on the reports submitted by States pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001). The work programme sets out the Committee's intention, with the help and advice of experts appointed for this purpose by the Secretary-General, to review all reports by the end of this work period. The Committee welcomes the reports received so far from 119 States on their implementation of the measures contained in resolution 1373 (2001). It calls upon States which have not yet submitted a first report to do so as quickly as possible.

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

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



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Work Programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee (28 December 2001-27 March 2002)

The present document sets out the work programme of the Counter-Terrorism Committee for its second 90 days from the adoption of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) of 28 September 2001 (i.e. the period from 28 December 2001 to 27 March 2002). This work programme updates the programme submitted for the first 90-day period.

Summary

The Committee will:

By 31 January 2002:

- Publish a revised list of contact points (see para. 1 below);
- Establish a core of experts and a pool of experts (para. 2);
- Begin processing the first set of reports (para. 3);

By 28 February 2002:

- Have reviewed one third of the first set of reports (para. 3);
- Establish a directory of available assistance in the areas covered by resolution 1373 (2001) (para. 4);

By 27 March 2002:

• Have completed the review of two thirds of the first set of reports (para. 3).

Detail

1. Contact points

The Counter-Terrorism Committee has taken steps to facilitate dialogue with States and relevant international organizations and between States about the matters covered by Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) through the publication of a directory of contact points.

The Committee will update the directory by 31 January 2002 and at regular intervals thereafter. It encourages all States to make use of the directory for contacts on matters covered by resolution 1373 (2001) and to strengthen cooperation in this area. Those few States that have not yet submitted contact points are requested to do so as soon as possible.

2. Advisers to the Committee

A group of experts had been appointed to advise the Counter-Terrorism Committee on its work. Six independent advisers have been appointed by the Secretariat with the approval of the Committee and will be available to the Committee throughout the period covered by the present work programme. The Secretariat has also identified a wider pool of experts who will be available to advise the Committee as required and will continue to gather the curricula vitae of candidates nominated by States.

Each State's report will be reviewed by the experts, who will prepare a written analysis for the Committee and its Sub-Committees (see below) on what follow-up (if any) is needed to the first report and what kind of assistance (if any) is requested or required.

3. Reporting by States

To assist States in fulfilling their obligation under paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001) to report to the Counter-Terrorism Committee on the steps they have taken to implement the resolution, the Committee produced guidelines for the submission of reports.

The Committee has established three Sub-Committees, each made up of five of its members, to have an initial discussion of each report and experts' analysis. The relevant Sub-Committee will invite representatives of the State concerned to attend part of the Sub-Committee's discussion of the report. Experts will also be present. The Sub-Committee will report to the Committee on the conclusions reached and any proposed follow-up action.

The Committee will consider each report, together with the conclusions reached on it by the Sub-Committee. The Committee will follow up with the State concerned, through a letter from its Chairman (not for wider circulation) setting out the substance of the discussion and any concerns expressed over the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001). The Committee will inform each State of a time line for the submission of further information or of a further report.

The Chairman of the Committee will also write to the President of the Security Council to record the fact that the Committee has considered the report of a State. That letter will be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

The Committee will aim to review by 28 February one third of the reports submitted and by 27 March two thirds of the reports submitted.

It will also follow up urgently with States that have not submitted a report.

4. Assistance

In order to assist States in their implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), the Counter-Terrorism Committee will compile a directory of sources of advice and expertise in the areas of legislative and administrative practice covered by the resolution. It has invited States to inform the Committee of any available assistance in the areas covered by the resolution, including:

- (a) Relevant technical assistance programmes;
- (b) Available financial assistance;
- (c) Examples or sources of model legislation or regulation;

- (d) Information on administrative practices;
- (e) Sources of expertise.

The directory will be set up by 28 February 2002 and will be updated immediately as new information is submitted.

Member States requiring assistance may so inform the Committee either in their reports or separately at any time.

The Committee will continue its contacts with potential assistance providers.

5. Transparency in the work of the Committee

The Counter-Terrorism Committee will continue to communicate regularly information on its activities, including through briefings by the Chairman.