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### Summary record of the 28th meeting

Held at Headquarters, New York, on Wednesday, 25 June 2014, at 10 a.m.

*President:* Mr. Dabbashi (Vice-President) . . . . . (Libya)

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*In the absence of Mr. Sajdik (Austria), Mr. Dabbashi (Libya), Vice-President, took the Chair.*

*The meeting was called to order at 10.10 a.m.*

**Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance (continued)**

*A panel discussion on the topic “Serving the needs of people in complex emergencies”, moderated by Ms. Valerie Amos, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, was held. The panellists were Mr. Jose Ramos-Horta, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS); Mr. Ahmed Al-Kohlani, Director of the Executive Unit of Internally Displaced Persons and Camps Management, Yemen; Dr. Philip Spoerri, Director for International Law and Cooperation, International Committee of the Red Cross; Monsignor Dieudonné Nzapalainga, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Bangui, Central African Republic (via video link); Imam Oumar Kobine Layama, President of the Islamic Council, Central African Republic (via video link); and Reverend Nicolas Guérékoyame-Gbangou, President of the Evangelical Alliance, Central African Republic (via video link). The panellists made statements and an interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to comments and questions from the representatives of Nigeria, Sweden, the Russian Federation and Brazil; the observers for Switzerland, Norway, and the Syrian Arab Republic; the observers for the European Union and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation; and the representative of the United Nations Children Fund.*

*The meeting rose at 12.55 p.m.*