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Non-governmental organizations**Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental
Organizations on its 2023 regular session *AS ADOPTED*****(New York, 23 January-1 and 13 February 2023)***Summary*

At its 2023 regular session, held from 23 January to 1 and 13 February 2023, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 560 applications for consultative status, including 321 applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 214 for consultative status, deferred 296 for further consideration at its resumed session in 2023, closed without prejudice consideration of 49 applications of non-governmental organizations that had failed to respond to queries by the deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each Committee session and took note of the request by one non-governmental organization to withdraw its application for consultative status. It also had before it 655 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 543. The Committee heard 7 representatives of non-governmental organizations.

The present report contains two 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 214 non-governmental organizations;
- (b) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of ten non-governmental organizations;
- (c) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 543 non-governmental organizations, including new and deferred reports;
- (d) Close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by 49 non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries by the deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each Committee session;
- (e) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the request by one non-governmental organization to withdraw its application for consultative status;

By draft decision II, 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 214 non-governmental organizations:

Special consultative status

A.I.T.D. - Associazione Internazionale Tutela e Diritti
Action pour le développement communautaire
Action Protection Mere Et Enfant Pour Le Developpement (A.P.M.E.D.)
Action Sri Lanka
Africa Child Foundation Mission of Tanzania
African Women's Health Project International
Agence Suisse pour le développement et les droits de l'homme - ASDH
AJIS Association Jeunesse Insertion Solidarite
AKAHATÁ Equipo de Trabajo en Sexualidad y Géneros Asociación Civil
Al- Eshraq Foundation For Development
Al Tawasul Wa Al Ekah Human Organization
Al-Basher Foundation for Development
Algilani Foundation
Aliança Nacional LGBTI
Anabia Charitable Organization (ACO)
Archconfraternity of Papal Knights
Asia Pacific Transgender Network
Asociación Mensajeros de la Paz
Asociación para la Promoción y Protección de los Derechos Humanos Xumek
Asociatia Geyc
Associação pela Saúde Emocional de Crianças
Associació Stop Violències
Association caritative étudiante pour la jeunesse
Association de Défense et de Promotion des Droits de l'Homme (ADEAGE)
Association de Lutte pour le Respect des Droits Humains
Association Droit et Talents de Femmes
Association For Life of Africa-Liberia

Association Green Crescent (Croissant Vert-Mali) de Sikasso
Association Lutte Contre La Violence Faite Aux Femmes
Association Pour La Diffusion Des Droits De L'homme Dans L'universite De Lyon
Association pour la protection de la biodiversité et adoption des gestes marqueurs
Association Pour la Solidarité Internationale
Association pour le droit de l'homme et le développement durable [Colombes]
Autonomous Non-Profit Organization "Research Center "Minority Report"
Bachehaye Asemame Kamran Rehabilitation Institute
BBB KOREA
Beijing E-Share Civil Society Information Center
Bel Canto International Society
Bring Hope Humanitarian Foundation
Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan Inc.
Carelle Moukemaha-Niang
Centre for International Maritime Affairs, Ghana
Centre for International Promotion Fund
Centro de Direitos Economicos e Sociais - CDES
Centro di Iniziativa Antiproibizionista
China Foundation for Cultural Heritage Conservation
Chrix Farms Nigeria
Committee for Justice
Coordinadora por los Derechos de la Infancia y la Adolescencia
Corazon Latino Inc
Corporación Sisma Mujer
Corporate Counsel Women of Color Inc
Council of Canadians with Disabilities
De Regenboog Groep
Determined Youths Against Poverty Incorporation
Disability:IN
Disaster Resilience Network Ghana
Dr M Chandrasekhar International Foundation
Dromi Women Empowerment Initiative
Dynamic Paragon Ladies Foundation
Eduactive Società Cooperativa
Education for Social Justice Foundation (ESJF)
Education Prénatale - Information
Eiropas demokrātijas attīstības centrs
Emberi Méltóság Központ
Etudiants Pour Une Societe Durable Paris

Eurazijos žalos mažinimo asociacija
Fagrådet - Rusfeltets hovedorganisasjon
Fame Foundation for Girls and Women Empowerment
Federación Indígena Empresarial y Comunidades Locales de México
Federación Mujeres Jóvenes
File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council Inc.
Fondation Secours Humanitaire
Fonds ICONEM protect patrimoine menace
Forum for Development and Human Rights Dialogue
Foyer d'Enfant + Femme
Framework Convention on Global Health Alliance
Fundación Derechos & Justicia Asociados
Fundación Gonzalo (Gonchi) Rodríguez
Fundación Mexicana Rene Mey, Asociación Civil
Fundacion para el Cuidado, Atención de la Salud e Integración Social para Discapacitados (C.A.S.I.D.)
Garden of Rebirth Ltd
Garmoniya Samara Center for Youth Employment, Socialization and Cultural Development
Autonomous Non-profit Organization
Generation Human Rights Inc.
Giving Matters Foundation
Global Action for Trans* Equality Inc.
Global Choices.org
Global Initiative for Children's Surgery
Global Initiative For Food Security and Ecosystem Preservation
Global Surgery Amsterdam
Gramin Vikas Vigyan Samiti
Groupement Agropastoral pour le Développement de Yongoro
Grs Universe Social Welfare Trust
Guild of Adjudicators in Nigeria
Gwangju Young Men's Christian Association
Hadhrumout Foundation - Human Development
Harm Reduction Australia Limited
Hope Behind Bars Africa Initiative
Human Access for Partnership and Development (Human Access)
Human Rights and Forest Brain Africa (HURIFBA)
Humanitarian Aid International
Igniting Hope For The Less Privileged Initiative
Inclusion Canada
Incorporated Association BYSONanummaul
India Youth For Society

Initiative for Social Development Organization
Insamlingsstiftelsen 2022 Initiative Foundation
Institute for Humanitarian Studies and Social Development Ltd/Gte
Institute for Integrated Rural Development
Institution of Occupational Safety and Health
Instituto Brasileiro de Direitos Humanos
International Federation of Accountants
International Foundation For African Children
International Institute for Promotion and Development of Dynamic Peace Ideas
International Organization for Human Right Development and Environment
International Road Victims' Partnership Company Limited by Guarantee
International Student Surgical Network
International Visitors Utah Council
InterPride
Jan Lok Kalyan Parishad
Kahrizak Charity Institute for the Disabled & Elderly
Keen and Care Initiative Ltd/Gte
Korea Women's Hot-Line
Le Conseil International Pour Les Droits De L'homme
Le conseil universel des droits de l'homme
Legal Rights Council for Awareness of Law
Life Maker Meeting Place Organization USA
Mabade'a Society for Human Rights
Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak Inc.
Mediterranean Youth Foundation for Development "MYF"
Migrant Clinicians Network Inc.
Mitraniketan
Mongolian Remote Sensing Society
Mumbai Smiles Foundation
Nagrik Foundation
National Solar Energy Federation of India
Nerds Rule Inc.
New Sunshine Charity Foundation
New York University
Northeastern University
OM Vishwa Guru Deep Hindu Mandir Mahaprabhuji a Világmindenség Guruja Hindu Vallási
Közösség és Szellemi Iskola
Option2world initiative Against Drug Abuse
Organization For Immigrants Peace And Federal Development
Organization of World Leaders (Owl Inc.)

Palestinian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists - PAMRT
Parlamento Internacional para los Derechos Humanos (PIDH)
Patriotic Citizen Initiatives
Pertubuhan Kebajikan Erth Ul Mustafa Johor Bahru
Pioneers of Goodness International Organization
Policy Studies Organization
Populous Education Foundation
Prashanthi Balamandira Trust
Pro Rural
Public Association "Peace through Spirituality"
Rapha House International, Inc.
Research-Aid Networks
Reseau de Formation et de Recherche sur les Migrations Africaines (REFORMAF)
Rick Hansen Foundation
RightsTech Women
Rock of Ages Empowerment Foundation
Roots of Peace
Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Royal Medico Technical Society, Navi Mumbai
Sambhav Foundation
Sasakawa Health Foundation
Scandinavian Human Rights Lawyers
SciTech DiploHub Association - Science and Technology Diplomatic Hub Assoc.
Secours Islamique France
Sergius Oseasochie Ogun Foundation
Shamar Educational Foundation
Sintrata
SOL Agronomies Limited
Solidarité Numérique dans le Domaine de l'Education et de la Santé Castres
Somali Aid & Humanitarian Organization (SAAHO)
Sozialhelden e.V.
Stichting Deltares
Street Business School
Supportive Homeland Association for Development (SHAD)
Sustainable Cassava Farmers And Processing Development Association Of Nigeria
Sustainable Ocean Alliance Inc
Tamil-Style
The Aspen Institute, Inc.
The Fundamental and Other Rights Organization Of Sri Lanka

The Inclusivity Project, Inc.
The Vegan-Organic Network
Tsao Foundation
UAAR - Unione degli Atei e degli Agnostici Razionalisti
Ukrainian Think Tanks Liaison Office in Brussels
Umu-Okpu Ngwa Association USA and Diaspora, Inc (UONAUSAAD)
United for Human Rights
Verein Euro Mea
VIDEA a BC-Based International Development Education Association
vishwa manavadhikar parishad
Vista Organisation for Education and Social Development in Africa
Water4Chad, Inc.
Wathiqun Foundation for Development
We Are All Human Foundation
WealthyGen, Inc.
Women Education and Afghanistan Rehabilitation Organization (WEARO)
Women in Nuclear Canada Inc.
Women's Organisation for Dev. & Empowerment of Communities
Women's Refugee Commission, Inc.
Women's Rehabilitation Centre
WOMENVAI - Women and Men in Environment and Artificial Intelligence
World Cultural Arts Organization
World Humanitarian Drive
World Intangible Cultural Heritage Protection and Development Foundation, Inc.
World Youth Summit NPC
Y30
Y4D Foundation
Yemeni Observatory for Human Rights
Youth love Egypt foundation
Zamzam Foundation
ZHONGGUORENKOUFULIJINHUI

(b) To note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of the following ten non-governmental organizations;

Brazzaville Foundation for Peace and Conservation (Special, 2018) to **The Brazzaville Foundation**
Caucasian Feminist Initiative (Special, 2005) to **Caucasian Feminist Institute**
Collegiate Congress (Special, 2021) to **World Youth Group, Inc**
Forum 21 Institute (Special, 2021) to **International Council on Environmental Economics and Development Union**
International Federation of the Blue Cross (Special, 2016) to **International Blue Cross**

International Planned Parenthood Federation, Western Hemisphere Region (Special, 2003), to **Fòs Feminista**
Marie Stopes International (Special, 2001) to **MSI Reproductive Choices Ltd**
Match International Centre (Special, 1996) to **Equality Fund / Fonds Égalité**
Mouvement National des Jeunes Patriotes du Mali (Special, 2015) to **Réseau Africain pour le Développement, la Gouvernance et les Droits Humains (RADHEG)**
Northern Ireland Women's European Platform (Special, 1999) to **Women's Platform Limited**

(c) To note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of the following 543 non-governmental organizations:¹

1M1B Foundation
AAINA
Action for Development (Suisse)
Africa Centre for Citizens Orientation
Africa Network for Animal Welfare (ANAW)
African Centre for Advocacy and Human Development
African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes Education Trust
African Cultural Promotions Inc
African Heritage Foundation Nigeria
African Hope Committee Inc.
African Services Committee, Inc.
African Views Organization a NJ Nonprofit Corporation
African Youth Movement
African Youths Initiative on Crime Prevention
Afro-European Medical and Research Network
Agence d'aide a la cooperation technique et au developpement
Agencia Latinoamericana de Informacion (ALAI)
AIM Education & Research Society
Ain o Salish Kendra - Law and Mediation Centre
Akshar Foundation
Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights
Al-Anwar Al Najafia Foundation for Culture and Development
Al-khoei Foundation
Alliance Defending Freedom
All-Russian public organization "Russian Public Intstitute of Electoral Law"
All-Russian Society of Disabled People
Alut- The Israeli Society for Autistic Children
Aman against Discrimination
Amazon Conservation Team
American Psychiatric Association

¹ The quadrennial reports are for the 2018-2021 period unless as otherwise indicated.

American Society of Criminology
American Society of Safety Engineers
Americans for Democracy & Human Rights in Bahrain Inc
Amity Foundation
ANO "Organization" "Vector of Friendship"
ANPAM - Associazione Nazionale Produttori Armi e Munizioni Sportive e Civili
Antioch Christian Centre
Anti-Slavery International
Aravind Foundation
Asian Institute of Transport Development
Asian Legal Resource Centre
Asociación Cubana de Producción Animal
Asociación de Pedagogos de Cuba
Asociación Española para el Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos AEDIDH
Asociación Nacional de Estudiantes de ingenierías Industrial, Administrativa y de Producción
Asociatia Obsteasca "Promo-LEX"
Asociatia Pakiv Romania
ASPAM Foundation
Assembly of First Nations - National Indian Brotherhood
Associação Brasileira Interdisciplinar de AIDS
Associacao de Mulheres Contra a Violencia
Association ALKHAYR pour le developpement en Mauritanie
Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR)
Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism
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"
Associazione Comunita Papa Giovanni XXIII
AWWA LTD.
B.C. Aboriginal Network on Disability Society
BADIL Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights
Baha'i International Community
Bahjat Al-Baqir Charity Foundation
Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication
Baptist World Alliance
Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
Batey Relief Alliance Inc
Beyond Beijing Committee
Biofutura, Asociación Civil

Black Alliance for Just Immigration
Board of Certified Safety Professionals
Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University
British Columbia Council for International Cooperation
Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation
Bufete de Estudios Interdisciplinarios AC
Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft der Senioren-Organisationen
Cameroon Association for the Defence of the Victims of Accident
Canadian Federation of University Women
Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women
Caritas in Veritate International USA
Casa Generalizia della Societa' del Sacro Cuore
Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid
Catholics for Choice
Caucasus Environmental NGO Network
Cell of Alternative Youth Activities
Center for China & Globalization Limited
Center for Constitutional Rights Inc.
Center for Global Nonkilling
Center for Human Rights Studies of Mofid University
Center for Policy Studies
Center for Women and Development
Center of Political Analysis and Information Security
Centre for Gender Justice and Women Empowerment
Centre for Public Health
Centre pour les Droits Civils et Politiques - Centre CCPR
Centro de Promoción y Defensa de los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos
C-Fam, Inc.
Child Care Consortium
Childhood Cancer International
Children of the Caribbean Inc.
China Association for International Science and Technology Cooperation
China Disabled Person's Federation
China Education Association for International Exchange
China International Council for the Promotion of Multinational Corporations
China Society for Human Rights Studies (CSHRS)
China Water Engineering Association
Chinese People's Association for Peace and Disarmament, The
CHIRAPAQ - Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú

Church World Service
CIBJO - The World Jewellery Confederation
City2000 Youth Action International
CLAN (Caring & Living as Neighbours) Incorporated
Comite National d'Action pour les Droits de l'Enfant et de la Femme
Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy
Commonwealth Human Ecology Council
Commonwealth Medical Trust
Community Agenda for Peace Ltd/Gte
Community Development Volunteers for Technical Assistance
Community Restoration Initiative Project
Conectas Direitos Humanos
Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations
Consejo de Iglesias de Cuba
Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization Inc
Cooperation and Participation in Overseas NGOs
Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service
Cordoba Peace Institute – Geneva
Corporación Equipo Colombiano Interdisciplinario de Trabajo Forense y Asistencia Psicosocial
Criminologists Without Borders Inc
Culture and Development East Africa
Curia Generalizia Agostiniana
Damanhur Education
Danske Handicaporganisationer
Daughters of Virtue and Empowerment Initiative
Dayemi Complex Bangladesh
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association
DiploFoundation
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America
Dominican Leadership Conference
Dominicans for Justice and Peace - Order of Preachers
Donne in Rete contro la Violenza – ONLUS
Down Syndrome International
Drug Free America Foundation
Earth Push ltd/gte
Eastern Sudan Women Development Organization
East-West Management Institute
Eco-Accord - Center for Environment and Sustainable Development

Edfu Foundation Inc.
Educate a Child in Africa
Educational Foundation for African Women
Educators without Borders
Egyptian Organization for Human Rights
EKTA
End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes, Inc.
Environmental Justice Foundation Charitable Trust
EquallyAble Foundation
Ertegha Keyfiat Zendegi Iranian Charitable Institute
Escuela Cultura de Paz
Ethiopia Africa Black International Congress Church of Salvation
Euro Atlantic Diplomacy Society Association
EUROMIL EV
European Region of the International Lesbian and Gay Federation
European Union of Women
EURORDIS European Organisation for Rare Diseases
Ewiiapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians
Excellent World Foundation LTD/GTE
F N Forbundet
Faithful Covenant Foundation
Families of Victims of Involuntary Disappearance (FIND)
Family Africa
Family Development and Samaritan Foundation, Inc.
Family Health Association of Iran
Family Research Council
Farasooye Taaly Institute
Federación de Mujeres y Familias de Ámbito Rural
Fédération Européenne de la Manutention
Fédération Européenne des Femmes Actives en Famille
Federation of National Representations of the Experiment in International Living, The
Federation of Women Lawyers in Kenya
Flora Tristan Peruvian Women's Center
Fondation CIOMAL de l'Ordre de Malte (Campagne internationale de l'Ordre de Malte contre la lèpre)
Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Torino
Free World Foundation (FWF)
Freedom Now (2015-2018)
Freehearts Africa Reach Out Foundation
Friends of Angola

Friends World Committee for Consultation
FSD Fahrzeugsystemdaten GmbH
Fundación Contemporánea
Fundación Descúbreme
Fundacion Migrantes y Refugiados sin Fronteras
Fundación Multitudes
Fundación ONCE para la Cooperación e Inclusión de Personas con Discapacidad
Fundacion para Estudio Investigacion de la Mujer
Fundacion Pro Humanae Vitae
Fundacion Teleton Mexico AC
Future Hope International
GAHT-US Corporation
General Forum of the Arabic and African Non-Governmental Organizations
Generation Initiative for Women and Youth Network
Giving Life Nature Volunteer
Global Alert for Defence of Youth and the Less Privileged
Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women
Global Campaign for Education
Global Dairy Platform, Inc.
Global Dialogue Foundation Australia Limited
Global Empowerment Movement Corporation
Global Forum for Media Development
Global Housing Foundation (GHF)
Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Global Network of Sex Work Projects Limited
Global Utmaning
Goodness and Mercy Missions Common Initiative Group
Grail, The
Grassroots Organisations Operating Together in Sisterhood
Green Planet
Greenpeace International
Groots Kenya Association
Grupo de Mujeres de la Argentina - Foro de VIH, mujeres y familia
Guerrand Hermes Foundation for Peace
Guild of Service
Hamkkehaneun Sarangbat Corporation
Hamraah Foundation
Hape Development & Welfare Association
Hardwired, Incorporated

HaritaDhara Research Development and Education Foundation
Hawa Society for Women
Hellenic Association of Political Scientists
High Security Newplate Limited
Hiranmoy Das Gupta Foundation
Hope Ek ASHA
House of Jacobs International
Human Life International, Inc.
Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team United States Incorporated
Humanity First
Huqooq-ul-Ebad Development Foundation
IBON.International Foundation Inc.
Ideas, Litigio Estratégico en Derechos Humanos, Asociación Civil
IDPC Consortium
IFENDU for Women's Development
Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society
Imam Al-Sadr Foundation
Indonesian Child Welfare Foundation, The
Ingenieurs du Monde
InnerCity Mission for Children
Insamlingsstiftelsen Kvinna till Kvinna
Institut International pour les Droits et le Développement
Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies e.V. (IASS)
Institute for Economics and Peace Limited
Institute for Multicultural Counseling and Education Services, Inc.
Institute of Global Education
Instituto da Criança
Inter-European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development
International Academy of Environmental Sanitation and Public Health
International Association for Human Values
International Association of Lions Clubs
International Association of Ports and Harbors
International Association of Y's Men's Clubs
International Cable Protection Committee Limited
International Career Support Association
International Center for Research on Women
International Center of the Roerichs
International Centre for Environmental Education and Community Development
International Civil Society Centre: convening capacity-building research gGmbH

International Coastal and Ocean Organization
International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage
International Committee For Peace And Reconciliation
International Confucian Association
International Cooperative Alliance
International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres
International First Aid Society
International Food and Beverage Alliance (IFBA)
International Fund for Animal Welfare
International Higher Education Academy of Sciences
International Institute for Non-Aligned Studies
International Investment Center
International MotherBaby Childbirth Organization Inc.
International Network for Sustainable Energy
International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions
International Partnership for Human Rights
International PEN
International Prison Chaplains' Association
International Psychoanalytical Association Trust
International Public Organization "Sovereign Knightly Order of Christ the Savior"
International Relations Students' Association of McGill University
International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication
International Society of Doctors for the Environment
International Union of Psychological Science
International Women's Forum, Inc.
International Women's Peace Group Corporation
International Women's Year Liaison Group
International Youth Aid Council
Internationale Romani Union (IRU)
Internet Society
Interregional Public Charitable Organization of Assistance to Persons with Disabilities "SAIL OF HOPE"
INTERSOS Humanitarian Aid Organization
Inwelle Study and Resource, Centre
IPAS
Iran Human Rights Documentation Center
Iranian Association for United Nations Studies
Italian Association for Women in Development
iuventum e.V.
Jameh Ehyagan Teb Sonnati Va Salamat Iranian

Japanese Association of International Women's Rights (JAIWR)
JMJ Children's Fund of Canada
John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
Jssor Youth Organization
Kedner Stiven Foundation, Inc
Keystone Human Services International
Khiam Rehabilitation Center for Victims of Torture
Khubaib Foundation
Kids First Fund
Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women (KFAW)
Korea Center for United Nations Human Rights Policy
Korea Differently Abled Federation
Korea International Volunteer Organization (KVO)
Korea LOHAS Association
Korea NGO Council for Overseas Development Cooperation
Kulturverein - IDEA Society
Kuwait Society for Human Rights
Labour, Health and Human Rights Development Centre
LatCrit
LatinoJustice PRLDEF
Leadership Watch
League of European Research Universities (LERU)
Lebanese American Renaissance Partnership, Inc.
Leonard Cheshire Disability
LGBT Denmark - The National Organization for Gay Men, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Transgendered People
Liberians United to Expose Hidden Weapons
Lotus World
Maharat Foundation
Majlis Kanser Nasional
Malteser International e.V.
Management Sciences for Health, Inc.
Mar Adentro de México A.C.
Martin und Gerda Essl Sozialpreis gemeinnützige Privatstiftung
Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers
Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic, Inc.
Media Foundation for West Africa
Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP)
Medico International
Mednarodni Inštitut za Bližnjevzhodne in Balkanske Študije

Mennonite Central Committee
Mental Disability Rights International
Migrant Forum in Asia (MFA) Inc.
Mines Advisory Group
Mobility International USA
More Trust
Mothers Pride and Development Initiative
Movimento Italiano Casalinghe
Movimiento Manuela Ramos
Mujer para la Mujer A.C.
Murna Foundation
Muslims for Progressive Values
N3tsp4rk3rRef
Nation Builders Organisation
National Association of Vocational Education of China
National Rural Support Programme
Native American Rights Fund
Nazra for Feminist Studies
Neighbour Organization Nepal (NEO-Nepal)
Netherlands Centre for Indigenous Peoples (NCIV)
New South Wales council for Civil Liberties
Nigerian Association of Commercial Commuters
NIGH World
Nobel Laureate Mother Teresa Charitable Trust
North Indian Educational Trust
Ohaha Family Foundation
OIPA - Organizzazione Internazionale Protezione Animali
ONG Kala Geneve International
Operation HOPE Inc
Operation Smile, Inc.
Operation Underground Railroad Inc
Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil Conselho Federal
Organisation Européenne des Radioamateurs (EURAO)
Organisation internationale pour les pays les moins avancés (OIPMA)
Organization for Defending Victims of Violence
Österreichischer Bundesverband – Österreichische Lebens - und Rettungs – Gesellschaft
Otro Tiempo México, Asociación Civil
OutRight Action International
Oxfam International

Pace University
Pacific Women's Watch (New Zealand)
Pak Women
Pakistan Institute of Legislative Development And Transparency (PILDAT)
Pakistan Youth Organization
Parliamentarians for Global Action
Pars Non Trading Development Activists Co.
Participatory Rural Development Society (PRDS)
Paryavaran Mitra, Thaltej Ahmedabad
PathFinders Justice Initiative, Inc.
Patiala Foundation
Patriotic Vision
Peace Boat
PECB (Professional Evaluation & Certification Board – Educational & Welfare Society)
Perkins School for the Blind
Personhood Education
Pew Environment Group
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants
Prahar
Pramacare
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc.
Proslavi Oporavak
Public-Private Alliance Foundation
Queensland Advocacy Incorporated
Raad Rehabilitation Goodwill Complex
Radha Soami Sat Sang Beas
Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini
Reach Out (REO) "N.G.O."
Reachout and Smile Initiative for Social Empowerment
Real Women of Canada
Recreation Vehicle Industry Association, Inc.
Red Dot Foundation
RefugePoint, Inc.
Rehabilitation International
Rehabilitation International - Arab Region
Reprieve
Research and Development Centre, Nepal

Réseau Océan Mondial
Reyada for Capacity Building Studies & Consultations
Right Livelihood Award Foundation
Rissho Kosei-kai
Rooftops Canada
Rozan
Samaj Kalyan Unnayan Shagstha
Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, Inc.
Save Cambodia
Save the Climat
School Sisters of Notre Dame
SDSN Association, Inc.
Secure World Foundation
Self-Help Association for Rural people through Education and Entrepreneurship
Semilla Warunkwa
Sewa Development Trust Sindh
Shalva - The Israel Association for Care and Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (R.A.)
Shola Mese Foundation
Shorab Ali Dewan Cultural Society
Sierra Leone Campus Civitan International
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc
Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association
Singapore Children's Society
Singapore Council of Women's Organisations
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
Social Development & Management Society
Sociedade Filantropica Maria de Nazare
Sociedade Maranhense de Direitos Humanos
Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior
Soroor Mehr Andishan Rastin Institute
Sorooptimist International of the South West Pacific
Soulforce, Inc.
Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem (OSMTH)
SpellAfrica Initiative
Standing Voice
Stichting Chinese Initiative on International Law
Stichting Forest Peoples Programme
Stichting Global Forest Coalition
Structural Analysis of Cultural Systems

Sunny Trust
Support Women Initiatives to Transform Children
Sylvia Earle Alliance
Synergy Care Development Initiative
Teresian Association
Terra Renaissance
The Arab Council for Supporting Fair Trial
The Athena Fund –Laptop Computer for each Teacher
The Bahrain Young Ladies Association
The Cherie Blair Foundation for Women
The Children's Project, Inc.
The Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) Foundation Inc.
The Entrepreneurship Development Foundation for Women and Youth
The Environmental Law Institute
The Foundation for AIDS Research
The Girls' Brigade International Council
The Global Alliance for TB Drug Development, Inc.
The International Automotive Lighting and Light Signalling Expert Group
The Korean Council for the Women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery by Japan
The National Association of Familial Security
The PsySiP Project
The Rainforest Fund, Inc.
The Simons Foundation
The Task Force for Global Health Inc
The Vision for Teenagers Adolescents and Youths Wellbeing Initiative
To Love Children Educational Foundation International Inc.
Together for Safer Roads Inc
Trust for Youth Child Leadership (TYCL)
Trybe Limited
UCP Wheels for Humanity
Udayan Care
Uganda Youth Development Link
UNESCO Association, Guwahati
UNESCO Center for Peace
Union de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba
Union Internationale des Transports Publics
United Methodist Women
United Nations Association of Australia Incorporated
United Nations of Youth, Network - Nigeria

United Network of Young Peacebuilders (UNOY Peacebuilders)
Universal Esperanto Association
Universal Peace Federation
University College Dublin
Verein zur Forderung der Volkerverständigung
VIKALP
Vital Voices Global Partnership
Voice of Animal - Nepal
Washington Office on Latin America
Waterkeeper Alliance, Inc.
We Yone Child Foundation Sierra Leone
Welfare
West Africa Network for Peacebuilding
Wildlife Conservation Society
Women and Law in Southern Africa Research and Educational Trust
Women Empowerment and Human Resource Development Centre of India
Women Graduates - USA, Inc.
Women Power Connect
Women United for Economic Empowerment
Women@TheTable
Women's International Peace Centre
WomenNC-NC Committee for CSW/CEDAW
Women's Right to Education Programme
Women's Welfare Centre
Word of Life International, Inc.
World Federalist Movement
World for World Organization
World Future Council Foundation
World Information Transfer
World Leisure Organization, Inc
World Organization of the Scout Movement
World ORT Union
World Protection for Dogs and Cats in the Meat Trade
World Shelter Organisation
WWT (Wespak Welfare Trust)
Yayasan Wafaa Indonesia Gemilang
Yemen Family Care Association
Young Adult Institute, Inc.
Young Global Leadership Foundation, Inc.

Young Women's Christian Association of Australia
Youth Empowerment Alliance, Inc.
Youth Foundation of Bangladesh
Youth Reformation and Awareness Centre
Zanjireh Omid International Charity Institute
Zomi Innkuan USA Inc.

(d) To close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following 49 non-governmental organizations after those organizations had failed to respond to queries posed to them by members of the Committee by the deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each Committee session:

Advocates Association for Social Responsibility And Awareness

Adyan Association

American Sociological Assn.

ASOCIACION ENRAIZADOS EN CRISTO Y EN LA SOCIEDAD

Association For Academic Quality (AFAQ)

Associazione European Federation for Freedom of Belief

Assyrian Aid Society of America Inc.

Assyrian Documentation Centre

Autonomous Non-Profit Organization of promotion the development of international relations in the framework of the BRICS group "International Alliance of BRICS Strategic Projects"

Charity Organization "International Charity Foundation "Global Ukraine"

Chinese Culture Promotion Society

Cilvēktiesību Līgu Starptautiskās Federācijas Latvijas Cilvēktiesību komiteja

Copernicus Berlin e.V.

Crime And Corruption Control Association

Dhyana Peetha Charitable Trust

Fiji Women's Rights Movement

Fond Podderzhki Tekhnologicheskogo Predprinimatelstva Dalnevostochnogo Federalnogo Universiteta (FEFU Technology Entrepreneurship Fund)

Global Organization Of People Of Indian Origin (GOPIO), Inc.

Habilian Association

Help in Need

Helping Hand for Relief and Development Inc

India Tommorrow

Life Bliss of New Zealand Charitable Trust

Mahila Va Apang Bal Vikas Sanstha

Mentor Amiable Professional Society

National Disability & Development Forum (NDF)
Nithanandeshwara Hindu Temple, Charlotte
Nithya Annamandir Trust
Nithya Gnanadhan Trust
Nithyananda Anna Mandir
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam Of Columbus
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam of Houston
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam Of Phoenix
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam of San Jose
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam of Seattle
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam Of St. Louis
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam Temple & Cultural Center
Nithyananda Meditation Academy
Nithyananda Meditation Academy UK
Nithyananda Sangha Australia Inc.
Persatuan Penganut Nithyananda Sangha Malaysia
Somali Green Crescent Society
The Minderoo Foundation Pty Ltd
Turkiye Diyanet Vakfi
War Child
Women Islamic Lawyers' Forum
World Culture Forum
Youth for Human Rights International

(e) To note that the Committee decided to take note of the request by the non-governmental organization ForNGO NGO Legal Research and Service Center, Shanghai to withdraw its application for consultative status.

Draft decision II
Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2023 regular session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2023 regular session.

II. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification 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, at its 3rd to 8th meetings, held from 24 to 26 January and at its 12th to 13th meetings, held on 30 to 31 January, and 3 (b), New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 2nd to 3rd meetings, held from 23 to 24 January and at its 11th meeting, held on 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 2012 to 2022 (E/C.2/2023/CRP.1);

(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.2/2023/R.2 and E/C.2/2023/R.2/Add.1–19).

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 3rd to 8th meetings, held from 24 to 26 January and at its 12th to 13th meetings, held from 30 to 31 January. The Committee considered a total of 321 deferred applications for consultative status.

Applications recommended

4. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to 56 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a)):

Special consultative status

AKAHATÁ Equipo de Trabajo en Sexualidad y Géneros Asociación Civil

Aliança Nacional LGBTI

Asia Pacific Transgender Network

Asociatia Geyc

Association Green Crescent (Croissant Vert-Mali) de Sikasso

Autonomous Non-Profit Organization "Research Center "Minority Report"

Committee for Justice

Corporate Counsel Women of Color Inc

De Regenboog Groep

Disability:IN

Dr M Chandrasekhar International Foundation

Eduactive Società Cooperativa

Education for Social Justice Foundation (ESJF)
Eiropas demokrātijas attīstības centrs
Emberi Méltóság Központ
Eurazijos žalos mažinimo asociacija
Forum for Development and Human Rights Dialogue
Garmoniya Samara Center for Youth Employment, Socialization and Cultural Development Autonomous Non-profit Organization
Global Action for Trans* Equality Inc.
Global Choices.org
Gramin Vikas Vigyan Samiti
Grs Universe Social Welfare Trust
Harm Reduction Australia Limited
Humanitarian Aid International
India Youth For Society
Institute for Integrated Rural Development
InterPride
Jan Lok Kalyan Parishad
Life Maker Meeting Place Organization USA
Mediterranean Youth Foundation for Development "MYF"
Migrant Clinicians Network Inc.
Mitraniketan
Mumbai Smiles Foundation
Nagrik Foundation
National Solar Energy Federation of India
New York University
Northeastern University
Parlamento Internacional para los Derechos Humanos (PIDH)
Policy Studies Organization
Populous Education Foundation
Prashanthi Balamandira Trust
Pro Rural
Rick Hansen Foundation
Secours Islamique France
Stichting Deltares
Supportive Homeland Association for Development (SHAD)
The Aspen Institute, Inc.
UAAR - Unione degli Atei e degli Agnostici Razionalisti

Ukrainian Think Tanks Liaison Office in Brussels

United for Human Rights

Verein Euro Mea

vishwa manavadhikar parishad

Wathiqun Foundation for Development

Women's Refugee Commission, Inc.

Y4D Foundation

Youth love Egypt foundation

Applications deferred

5. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 215 non-governmental organizations (NGOs), pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2023 regular session

Action League for Palestinians of Syria LTD

All India Council of Human Rights Liberties & Social Justice

All Survivors Project Foundation

Allianz für Demokratie in Laos (ADL) e.V.

Alma Mater Studiorum - Università di Bologna

ALQST Human Rights

American Center for International Labor Solidarity

American Medical Women's Association, Inc.

Angkatan Belia Islam Malaysia (ABIM)

Arab Media Union

Arab Organization for Arabization and Communication

Arabian Rights Watch Association

ARCS Arci Culture Solidali APS

Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment NGO

Asian Federation against Involuntary Disappearances (AFAD), Inc.

Asociación Civil Grupo SURES

Asociatia Romanian Women's Lobby

Associação Nacional de Juristas Evangélicos – ANAJURE

Association Achbal Maroc culturelle et artistique

Association de l'Alliance Nationale des Chourafa Naciryiene et leurs cousins, chargés des affaires de la Zaouia Naciria

Association de la femme saharienne pour le développement intégré

Association des marocains victimes d'expulsion arbitraire de l'Algérie

Association for Social Solidarity and Empowerment Training Trust (ASSET)

Association of Lawyers of Russia

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

Association Tous pour l'integration des migrants au Maroc
Associazione Luca Coscioni per la libertà di ricerca scientifica
Associazione Nazionale Volontarie Telefono Rosa - Centro di Orientamento per i Diritti della Donna - ONLUS
Autonomous non-profit organization humanitarian programs organization "Russian Humanitarian Mission"
Avaaz Foundation
Baghbaan
Beijing People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries
Belarusian Fund of Peace
Bonyad Jahadi Mehr Alreza Utility
C.A.R.E Scandinavia - Citizens Against Radicalism & Extremism
Ceasefire Centre for Civilian Rights
Center for Military Human Rights Korea (CMHRK)
Centre for Participatory Democracy
Chanan Development Association
Child Nurture and Relief Kashmir
Christian Solidarity International (CSI)
Comité de Vigilance pour la Démocratie en Tunisie
Common Good Foundation Inc
Congres mondial Amazigh - CMA
Cooperazione Internazionale Sud Sud
Coppieters Foundation
Dalit Solidarity, Inc.
Database Center for North Korean Human Rights (NKDB)
de Centre Idriss El Fakhouri des Etudes et de Recherches en Sciences Juridiques Oujda
Den Norske Helsingforskomité
Dialogue & Development Forum
Diplomatic Mission Peace And Prosperity
Direct Focus Community Aid
Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam International Foundation
Environmental and Societal Development Foundation
Ethiopian Genocide Committee 1935-1941, Inc.
Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Monitor
Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network
European Foundation for South Asian Studies
European Interreligious Forum for Religious Freedom (EIFRF)
European Network of Migrant Women
European network on cultural management and policy
Fn-Sambandet i Norge
Fondazioni "Yesilay"

Fondation Youya pour promouvoir l'excellence en la jeunesse africaine
Fondazione Circolo Fratelli Rosselli
Forum of European Muslim Youth and Student Organisations
Foundation for a Drug-Free World
Fundació Josep Irla
Fundación Ciudadanía y Desarrollo
Fundación Venezolana por el Derecho a la Vivienda
Fundacja Otwarty Dialog
Gazze Destek Association
General Union of Arab Experts
Girija Prasad Koirala Foundation for Democracy Peace and Development
Global Alumni Alliance
Global Citizen Forum
Global Detention Project
Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization
Global Village Forum Chakwal c/o Shaheen Degree College Chappar Bazar Chakwal
Green Camel Bell
Gulf International Center for Legal Business Solutions
Hellenic Institute of Cultural Diplomacy - Non-profit Civil Association
Hokok Coalición Internacional Contra la Impunidad
Human Environmental Association for Development - HEAD
Human Rights Activists
Human Rights Initiative
Human Rights Protection Group and MFP Federation
Human Rights Protection Organization
IFEX
Ilankai Thamil Sangam, Inc.
Imam Khomeini Relief Foundation
Incentive Care Foundation
Instance démocratique pour la citoyenneté et les droits de l'homme
Institute of Peace and Diplomatic Studies (IPD)
International Action Network for Gender Equity and Law
International Anti Terrorism Movement
International Association for the Development of the Abaza-Abkhaz Ethnos "Alashara"
International Center for the Study, Prevention and Treatment of Multigenerational Trauma Inc.
International Civil Society Action Network, Inc.
International Coordinating Council on Trans-Eurasian Transportation (CCTT)
International Funders for Indigenous Peoples Inc.
International Human Right Organization

International Human Rights Commission La Commission Internationale des Droits de l'homme
Mezinárodní komise pro lidská práva - nadační fond, ve zkrácené formě IHRC - nadační fond
International Organization for Cooperation in Evaluation
International Society of Criminology
International Young Catholic Students
International Youth Federation
Intl. WeLoveU Foundation
Kandilarla Dayanişma Vakfi
Karim Khan Afridi Welfare Foundation
Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation
Kvinnors Nätverk
Labdaros ir paramos fondas "Nevyriausybių organizacijų informacijos ir paramos centras"
Lahore Educational and Welfare Society
Life Bliss Foundation (Singapore)
Life Bliss Foundation, Inc.
L'institut européen de droit international et les relations internationales (IEDI) – The European
Institute for International Law and International Relations (EIIL)
Luftbrücke Irak e.V.
L'union marocaine des conseils et association de la société civile
Magistrats Europeens pour la Democratie et les Libertes (MEDEL)
Mam Humanitarian Foundation/ MHF
Merciful Souls (Al-Qolub Al-Rahima)(R/A)
Mission Armenia Charitable Non-governmental Organization
Mnemonic non-profit entrepreneurial company (with limited liability)
Muslim Hands
Mwatana Organization for Human Rights
National Committee on BRICS Research
National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs of Japan
Nations Global Consulting LLC
NAUH (Now Action & Unity for Human rights)
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam Of Oklahoma City, Inc
Nithyananda Dhyanapectam TCD Trust
Nithyananda Foundation
Nithyanandeshwar Devasthanam Trust
Nobel Women's Initiative
Non-Governmental Organization «Association Of Wives And Mothers Of Soldiers Participating
In Ato»
Novact
NTC-Hands off Cain
Òmnium Cultural
ONG L'Ange Gardien

Organisation Tamaynut
Organization of female conscience renewal
Österreichischer Rat Für Nachhaltige Entwicklung - Österreichischer Nachhaltigkeitsrat für soziale, ökologische und ökonomische Angelegenheiten
OxYGen Foundation for Protection of Women and Youth Rights
Pak Special Persons Welfare Society
Pakistan Press Foundation
Palestinian Association for Human Rights (Witness)
Panhellenic Union of Cappadocian Associations
PAY-W Clinic
Peace Justice Humanity and Relief Foundation
Peace Without Limits (PWL) International Organization, Inc.
PeaceCorea
Photographers without Borders
Pouya Institute for Communications and Social Development
Public Association "Regional Consumer Protection Society" (PA "Regional Consumer Protection Society")
Pusat Komnas SDN. BHD.
Rescue: Freedom International
Robert Bosch Stiftung Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung
Salam for Democracy and Human Rights
SAM pour les droits et les libertés,
Sheikh Abdullah Al Nouri Charity Society
Shenzhen Foundation for International Exchange and Cooperation
SJAC
SKT Welfare
Solidariteit / Solidarity
Solidarity for Peace and Reunification of Korea
SosialBen Vakfi
Su Politikaları Derneği
Syria Relief
Syrian Legal Development Programme
Syrian Youth Council
Tai Studies Center
Tamdeen Youth Foundation
Terre Des Femmes - Menschenrechte fuer die Frau e.V.
The Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation
The Awakening A Society for Social & Cultural Development
The Bar Human Rights Committee
The Center for Bioethics and Culture
The Center for Justice and Accountability

The Conflict and Environment Observatory
The Foundation for the Defense of Democracies
The Friendship League of Culture and Sport
The Global Energy Association on Development of International Research and Projects in the Field of Energy
The Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime
The Gulmit Educational and Social Welfare Society, Hunza Gilgit
The Humanitarian Forum
The International Center for Supporting Rights and Freedoms
The International Institute on Race, Equality and Human Rights
The National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI)
The New Woman Foundation
The ONE Campaign
The Voice Society
Tom Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice
Transitional Justice Working Group
Transnational Anti-Organized Crime Intelligence Group Inc.(TAOC-IG)
Turkish Marine Research Foundation (TUDAV)
Türkiye Gençlik Vakfı (Tügva)
Uluslararası Mülteci Hakları Derneği
Uluslararası Öğrenci dernekleri Federasyonu
Uluslararası Yardımlaşma ve Kalkındırma Derneği
United Global Organization of Development (U-GOOD)
Urgent Action Fund for Women's Human Rights
US Council of Muslim Organizations
Uyghur Human Rights Project
Vithu Trust Fund
Welfare Association Jared
West Papua Interest Association
WeYouth
Working Women Welfare Trust
World Historic and Cultural Canal Cities Cooperation Organization
Y S Makhdoomi Memorial Educational Trust
Yadam Institute of Research
Youth for Human Rights Pakistan
Zam Zam Foundation

6. At its 8th meeting on 26th January, the observer for Indonesia recalled that the Committee had considered the applications of the organizations Nationaal Papoea Vereniging '95/West Nieuw Guinea and West Papua Interest Association and decided to recommend that consultative status be granted to the organizations at its 4th

meeting on 24th January. He referred to a note verbale dated 25 January that had previously been circulated to the Committee, expressing his delegation's concerns regarding the applications of two organizations. He asserted that the applications of the organizations contained information indicating their intention to undertake activities that would undermine the sovereignty and territorial integrity of a member state in contravention of the United Nations Charter and requested the Committee to reconsider its recommendations and revisit the applications of the organizations.

7. The representative of India noted that the Committee does not revisit its recommendations after they are gavelled by the Chair. He stated that the Committee should reconsider the two applications, on an exceptional basis and without setting a precedent, due to the serious nature of the concerns raised by the observer for Indonesia and presented in the note verbale.

8. The representative of China emphasized that the participation of NGOs in UN activities should be in line with the UN charter and the ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 and concurred with the representative of India. The representatives of Algeria, Bahrain, Cuba, Eritrea, Nicaragua, and Pakistan also expressed support for the proposal for the Committee to reconsider of the applications of the two organizations on an exceptional basis, based on the serious nature of the concerns raised by the observer for Indonesia.

9. The representative of the United States expressed her delegation's concern regarding inconsistencies in the work of the Committee and the establishment of a new precedent in the Committee's practice. The representative of the United Kingdom also expressed her delegation's concern regarding the establishment of a new precedent in the Committee's practice.

10. The Committee decided to reconsider the applications of the two organizations, on an exceptional basis, under rule 57 of the ECOSOC Rules of Procedure.

Applications closed without prejudice

11. At its 8th meeting, on 26 January, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 49 NGOs that had not responded to the Committee's questions by the deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each Committee session. (see chap. I, draft decision I (d)).

Request by a non-governmental organization to withdraw its application

12. At its 4th meeting on 24 January, the Committee decided to take note of the request of one non-governmental organization to withdraw its application for consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I (e)).

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

13. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 2nd to 3rd meetings, held from 23 to 24 January and at its 11th meeting, held on 30 January. The Committee considered a total of 239 new applications for consultative status.

New applications recommended

14. Of the 239 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following **158** should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (a))

Special consultative status

A.I.T.D. - Associazione Internazionale Tutela e Diritti
Action pour le développement communautaire
Action Protection Mere Et Enfant Pour Le Developpement (A.P.M.E.D.)
Action Sri Lanka
Africa Child Foundation Mission of Tanzania
African Women's Health Project International
Agence Suisse pour le développement et les droits de l'homme - ASDH
AJIS Association Jeunesse Insertion Solidarite
Al- Eshraq Foundation For Development
Al Tawasul Wa Al Ekah Human Organization
Al-Basher Foundation for Development
Algilani Foundation
Anabia Charitable Organization (ACO)
Archconfraternity of Papal Knights
Asociación Mensajeros de la Paz
Asociación para la Promoción y Protección de los Derechos Humanos Xumek
Associação pela Saúde Emocional de Crianças
Associació Stop Violències
Association caritative étudiante pour la jeunesse
Association de Défense et de Promotion des Droits de l'Homme (ADEAGE)
Association de Lutte pour le Respect des Droits Humains
Association Droit et Talents de Femmes
Association For Life of Africa-Liberia
Association Lutte Contre La Violence Faite Aux Femmes
Association Pour La Diffusion Des Droits De L'homme Dans L'universite De Lyon
Association pour la protection de la biodiversité et adoption des gestes marqueurs

Association Pour la Solidarité Internationale
Association pour le droit de l'homme et le développement durable [Colombes]
Bachehaye Asemame Kamran Rehabilitation Institute
BBB KOREA
Beijing E-Share Civil Society Information Center
Bel Canto International Society
Bring Hope Humanitarian Foundation
Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan Inc.
Carelle Moukemaha-Niang
Centre for International Maritime Affairs, Ghana
Centre for International Promotion Fund
Centro de Direitos Economicos e Sociais - CDES
Centro di Iniziativa Antiproibizionista
China Foundation for Cultural Heritage Conservation
Chrix Farms Nigeria
Coordinadora por los Derechos de la Infancia y la Adolescencia
Corazon Latino Inc
Corporación Sisma Mujer
Council of Canadians with Disabilities
Determined Youths Against Poverty Incorporation
Disaster Resilience Network Ghana
Dromi Women Empowerment Initiative
Dynamic Paragon Ladies Foundation
Education Prénatale - Information
Etudiants Pour Une Societe Durable Paris
Fagrådet - Rusfeltets hovedorganisasjon
Fame Foundation for Girls and Women Empowerment
Federación Indígena Empresarial y Comunidades Locales de México
Federación Mujeres Jóvenes
File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council Inc.
Fondation Secours Humanitaire
Fonds ICONEM protect patrimoine menace
Foyer d'Enfant + Femme
Framework Convention on Global Health Alliance
Fundación Derechos & Justicia Asociados
Fundación Gonzalo (Gonchi) Rodríguez
Fundación Mexicana Rene Mey, Asociación Civil

Fundacion para el Cuidado, Atención de la Salud e Integración Social para Discapacitados (C.A.S.I.D.)
Garden of Rebirth Ltd
Generation Human Rights Inc.
Giving Matters Foundation
Global Initiative for Children's Surgery
Global Initiative For Food Security and Ecosystem Preservation
Global Surgery Amsterdam
Groupement Agropastoral pour le Développement de Yongoro
Guild of Adjudicators in Nigeria
Gwangju Young Men's Christian Association
Hadhramout Foundation - Human Development
Hope Behind Bars Africa Initiative
Human Access for Partnership and Development (Human Access)
Human Rights and Forest Brain Africa (HURIFBA)
Igniting Hope For The Less Privileged Initiative
Inclusion Canada
Incorporated Association BYSONanummaul
Initiative for Social Development Organization
Insamlingsstiftelsen 2022 Initiative Foundation
Institute for Humanitarian Studies and Social Development Ltd/Gte
Institution of Occupational Safety and Health
Instituto Brasileiro de Direitos Humanos
International Federation of Accountants
International Foundation For African Children
International Institute for Promotion and Development of Dynamic Peace Ideas
International Organization for Human Right Development and Environment
International Road Victims' Partnership Company Limited by Guarantee
International Student Surgical Network
International Visitors Utah Council
Kahrizak Charity Institute for the Disabled & Elderly
Keen and Care Initiative Ltd/Gte
Korea Women's Hot-Line
Le Conseil International Pour Les Droits De L'homme
Le conseil universel des droits de l'homme
Legal Rights Council for Awareness of Law
Mabade'a Society for Human Rights

Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak Inc.
Mongolian Remote Sensing Society
Nerds Rule Inc.
New Sunshine Charity Foundation
OM Vishwa Guru Deep Hindu Mandir Mahaprabhuji a Világmindenség Guruja
Hindu Vallási Közösség és Szellemi Iskola
Option2world initiative Against Drug Abuse
Organization For Immigrants Peace And Federal Development
Organization of World Leaders (Owl Inc.)
Palestinian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists - PAMRT
Patriotic Citizen Initiatives
Pertubuhan Kebajikan Erth Ul Mustafa Johor Bahru
Pioneers of Goodness International Organization
Public Association "Peace through Spirituality"
Rapha House International, Inc.
Research-Aid Networks
Reseau de Formation et de Recherche sur les Migrations Africaines (REFORMAF)
RightsTech Women
Rock of Ages Empowerment Foundation
Roots of Peace
Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Royal Medico Technical Society, Navi Mumbai
Sambhav Foundation
Sasakawa Health Foundation
Scandinavian Human Rights Lawyers
SciTech DiploHub Association - Science and Technology Diplomatic Hub Assoc.
Sergius Oseasochie Ogun Foundation
Shamar Educational Foundation
Sintrata
SOL Agronomies Limited
Solidarité Numérique dans le Domaine de l'Education et de la Santé Castres
Somali Aid & Humanitarian Organization (SAAHO)
Sozialhelden e.V.
Street Business School
Sustainable Cassava Farmers And Processing Development Association Of Nigeria
Sustainable Ocean Alliance Inc
Tamil-Style

The Fundamental and Other Rights Organization Of Sri Lanka
The Inclusivity Project, Inc.
The Vegan-Organic Network
Tsao Foundation
Umu-Okpu Ngwa Association USA and Diaspora, Inc (UONAUSAAD)
VIDEA a BC-Based International Development Education Association
Vista Organisation for Education and Social Development in Africa
Water4Chad, Inc.
We Are All Human Foundation
WealthyGen, Inc.
Women Education and Afghanistan Rehabilitation Organization (WEARO)
Women in Nuclear Canada Inc.
Women's Organisation for Dev. & Empowerment of Communities
Women's Rehabilitation Centre
WOMENVAI - Women and Men in Environment and Artificial Intelligence
World Cultural Arts Organization
World Humanitarian Drive
World Intangible Cultural Heritage Protection and Development Foundation, Inc.
World Youth Summit NPC
Y30
Yemeni Observatory for Human Rights
Zamzam Foundation
ZHONGGUORENKOUFULIJINHUI

New applications deferred

15. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 81 organizations pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2023 regular session:

A.D.A.M. (Association d'aide aux migrants)
Accountability Lab Inc
Africa Faith and Justice Network
Alliance to End Plastic Waste, Inc.
Al-Quds University
Al-Rafidain Center for Dialogue
Amitofo Care Center International
Asociacion Psicoanalitica De Madrid
Asociația Obștească Centrul de dezvoltare și susținere a inițiativelor cetățenilor "Resonance"

Association Des Juristes Specialises En Droits Etrangers
Association Femmes Solidaires (AFS)
Association of Civilians and Organizations for Corporate Learning Development “Mako”
Association Of Operators For Waste And Animal By-Products Disposal Installations
Association of Women for Awareness & Motivation (AWAM)
Best Practices Policy Project, Inc.
Canadian Lutheran World Relief
CARE Egypt Foundation for Development
Center for Human Rights Defender Association
Centre for Research and Development
Centro Intercultural de Estudios de Desiertos y Océanos A.C
China Group Companies Association
Coalition pour l'abolition de la prostitution (CAP)
Colegio Colombiano de Psicólogos
Council for Sustainable Peace and Development
Darûlaceze Vakfi
Dünya Etnospor Konfederasyonu
Edufun Foundation Trust
Egyptian Federation for Development and Social Protection Policies
Ensaaf, Inc.
Feminist Legal Clinic Inc.
Fondazione Pangea ONLUS
Foundation of the National Council of YMCAs of Korea
Free the Slaves
Geneva Call
Georgian academy of criminology sciences
Hayrat Humanitarian Aid Association
Humanity Diaspo
International Cultural Diversity Organization
International Youth Alliance for Family Planning
Islamic Relief Committee
Keshava Kripa Samvardhana Samiti
Khalsa Aid International
Kite Oxford
L.E.S Musulmans (L.M)
Leaders club de développement des compétences de la vie
Legal Aid Society
Mamanet Mothers’ Cachibol League in Kfar Saba – for the Community (registered association)
MENA Rights Group

Moscow Helsinki Group
Nationaal Papoea Vereniging '95/West Nieuw Guinea
National Forum for Human Rights [Yemen]
Nature Labs
Nithyanandeshwara Paramashiva Hindu Tempel
Oeuvre d'Orient
Öz Gıda Sanayi Ve Yardimci İşçileri Sendikası
Pakistan Association of Private Medical and Dental Institutions (PAMI)
Protection International
Rainbow Volunteer Club
Red Latinoamericana y del Caribe de Personas Trans (RedLacTrans)
Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute
Samajik Yuva Sangthan Sansthan
Southern Poverty Law Center, Inc.
Sri Sharada Institute of Indian Management Research Foundation
Stella Maris Institute of Development Studies
Stichting InterNations Exchange
Stichting Mideast Youth
Stichting Volunteer Activists
Stichting White Helmets Foundation
Students for Global Democracy Uganda
Suomalaiset kehitysjärjestöt - Finnish Development NGOs Fingo ry
Taraqee Foundation
The Global Imams Council
The Global Initiative – Verein gegen transnationale organisierte Kriminalität
The Trustees of Global Peace Mission Trust Foundation
The VII Foundation Inc.
Time to Help UK
TMG Research gGmbH
Water, Environment and Sanitation Society - WESS
Yeshua Fellowship
Youth Parli of Pakistan (YPP)
Youth4Nature Foundation

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

16. At its 10th meeting on 27 January, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (a), Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status. It had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of 95 quadrennial reports submitted by NGOs in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 2005 to 2022 (E/C.2/2023/CRP.2)

17. Of those 95 reports, the Committee took note of one quadrennial report and decided to further defer consideration of the reports of the following organizations(see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)):

Academic Council on the United Nations System 2016 - 2019

Access Now 2016 - 2019

Advocates for Human Rights 2016 - 2019

Alliance internationale pour la défense des droits et des libertés 2017 - 2020

Amnesty International 2008 - 2011

Amnesty International 2012 - 2015

Amnesty International 2016 - 2019

Armenian Assembly of America 2007 - 2010

Armenian Assembly of America 2011 - 2014

Armenian Assembly of America 2015 - 2018

Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development 2012 - 2015

Association Internationale Droits Homme 2014 - 2017

AUA Americas Chapter Inc 2017 - 2020

Avocats Sans Frontières 2016 - 2019

Catholics for Choice 2010 - 2013

Centrist Democratic International 2006 - 2009

Centrist Democratic International 2010 - 2013

Centrist Democratic International 2014 - 2017

Christian Solidarity Worldwide 2017 - 2020

CIVICUS - World Alliance for Citizen Participation 2016 - 2019

Committee to Protect Journalists, Inc. 2016 - 2019

Coordination des Associations et des Particuliers pour la Liberté de Conscience 2016 - 2019

Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans 2016 - 2019

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights 2010 - 2013

Egyptian Organization for Human Rights 2014 - 2017
Elizka Relief Foundation 2015 - 2018
Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe 2014 - 2017
Femmes Solidaires 2016 - 2019
France Libertes : Fondation Danielle Mitterrand 2011 - 2014
France Libertes : Fondation Danielle Mitterrand 2015 - 2018
Freedom House 2007 - 2010
Freedom House 2011 - 2014
Freedom House 2015 - 2018
FreeMuslim Association, Inc 2016 - 2019
Front Line, The International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders 2016 - 2019
Fundacion Pro Humanae Vitae 2014 - 2017
Global Environmental Action (GEA) 2009 - 2012
Godwin Osung International Foundation, Inc. (The African Project) 2015 - 2018
Greek Council for Refugees 2017 - 2020
Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights 2015 - 2018
Henry Dunant Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue 2014 - 2017
Human Rights First 2015 - 2018
Human Rights House Foundation 2011 - 2014
Human Rights House Foundation 2015 - 2018
Human Rights Now 2016 - 2019
Human Rights Watch 2009 - 2012
Human Rights Watch 2013 - 2016
Human Rights Watch 2017 - 2020
Inter-American Press Association 2013 - 2016
International Association for Religious Freedom 2011 - 2014
International Association for Religious Freedom 2015 - 2018
International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL) 2017 - 2020
International Bar Association 2015 - 2018
International Federation for Human Rights Leagues 2016 - 2019
International Federation of Journalists 2005 - 2008
International Federation of Journalists 2013 - 2016
International PEN 2006 - 2009
International PEN 2014 - 2017
International Press Institute 2017 - 2020
International Religious Liberty Association 2015 - 2018

International Service for Human Rights 2011 - 2014
International Service for Human Rights 2015 - 2018
International Union of Socialist Youth 2005 - 2008
International Union of Socialist Youth 2017 - 2020
Islamic Relief USA 2016 - 2019
Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) 2014 - 2017
Lawyers for Lawyers 2017 - 2020
Liberal International 2015 - 2018
Local Governments for Sustainability 2014 - 2017
Minority Rights Group 2016 - 2019
Natural Justice 2014 - 2017
Omega Research Foundation Limited 2017 - 2020
Open Society Institute 2013 - 2016
Open Society Institute 2017 - 2020
Organization Earth 2017 - 2020
Pathfinder International 2011 - 2014
People for Successful Corean Reunification 2016 - 2019
Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water 2013 - 2016
Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights 2009 - 2012
Simon Wiesenthal Center 2011 - 2014
Society for Threatened Peoples 2013 - 2016
Society for Threatened Peoples 2017 - 2020
Thalassaemia International Federation Limited 2017 - 2020
The Law Society 2014 - 2017
The RINJ Foundation 2017 - 2020
The Smile of the Child 2016 - 2019
Therapy Center for Dependent Individuals (KETHEA) 2017 - 2020
Union Internationale des Avocats - International Union of Lawyers 2015 - 2018
Unitarian Universalist Service Committee 2009 - 2012
United Nations Watch 2014 - 2017
UPR Info 2016 - 2019
World Council of Arameans (Syriacs) 2007 - 2010
Young Women's Christian Association 2013 - 2016
Young Women's Christian Association of Australia 2014 – 2017

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

18. At its 9th meeting, on 27 January, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (b), New quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status. It had before it notes by the Secretary-General containing 560 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2023/CRP.5 to 42,). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 542 of the organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, subpara. (c)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of the reports of the following 18 organizations:²

Amman Center for Human Rights Studies
Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development
Eşit Haklar İçin İzleme Derneği
Families of the Missing
Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe
Global Voices
Human Resource Development Foundation, The
Il Cenacolo
International Blue Crescent Relief and Development Foundation
International Eurasia Press Fund
International Justice Resource Center, Inc.
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e.V.
Korea Freedom Federation
National Assembly of Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan (NaYORA)
The World Justice Project
Turkiye Kadın Girişimciler Derneği
United Nations Watch
US Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

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

19. At its 1st meeting, on 23 January, the Committee jointly considered the following agenda items and heard an oral report by the Secretariat: agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch; agenda item 6, 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; and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

20. At its 1st meeting, on 23 January May, the Committee jointly considered the following agenda items and heard an oral report by the Secretariat: agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch; agenda item 6,

² All the new quadrennial reports deferred are for the 2018-2021 period

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; and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

21. The Director of the Office for Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development recalled that the Declaration on the 75th anniversary of the United Nations underlines the need for cooperation across borders and across the whole of society to address the challenges facing the world today and commits to “make the United Nations more inclusive and engage with all relevant stakeholders, including non-governmental organizations”. In that regard, she noted the important role of the Committee, through its work in equipping the United Nations to confront global challenges. She highlighted the important contributions of NGOs to work of the United Nations including the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals through their outreach to poorest and most vulnerable, advocacy for change, promotion of human rights, and generation of innovative ideas.

22. The Director welcomed the second round Consultations with NGOs in consultative status convened by the Committee on 13th December 2022 and noted that NGOs had provided valuable recommendations on how their engagement with the UN could be further strengthened. She informed the Committee that the Secretariat was exploring ways of following up on the recommendations and that it had convened information sessions to brief NGOs on how they could participate in upcoming events of ECOSOC and other bodies. She encouraged the Committee to build on the success of the consultations to further improve the access of NGOs in the work of the UN as envisioned in the UN Charter.

23. She provided the Committee with an update on the ongoing efforts of the Branch to provide support to NGOs. She pointed out that the Branch was facing severe resource constraints owing to the increase in the number of NGOs in consultative status, as well as those applying for consultative status, and reiterated her previous appeal to the Committee and Member States for support in securing adequate resources to facilitate its work. She further informed the Committee that the new enhanced information and communications technology system that the Secretariat is developing to replace the current systems to enable it to provide faster and improved services to the Committee and NGOs would be rolled by the end of the first quarter of 2023.

24. The representative of Cuba welcomed the update from the Secretariat regarding the development of the new enhanced information and communications technology system. He reiterated his delegation’s previous request for the Secretariat to provide training to members of the Committee to familiarise them on the use of the new platform before its official roll out.

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

25. The Committee discussed issues related to its working methods at its 11th and 12th meetings on 30th January and at its 15th meeting on 1 February.

26. At its 11th meeting, on 30th January, the representative of Pakistan recalled that the Committee had decided at its 2022 regular session to establish a deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each session for the receipt of responses provided by NGOs to its questions, to afford the Committee adequate time to review and consider those responses. She sought clarification from the Secretariat regarding responses that had been received from non-governmental organizations at the beginning of the second round of review of applications for consultative status. She stated that the Committee members had not been given adequate time to review the responses that had been uploaded in the paperless system shortly before the beginning of the session. She sought clarification from the Secretariat regarding the procedure for dealing with responses submitted by NGOs to the questions of the Committee during the session.

27. The Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch informed the Committee that all the questions posed orally by the Committee to non-governmental organizations are formulated in writing and transmitted by the Secretariat to non-governmental organizations during the Committee's session. He explained that there is a time lag between the time that the responses are received from NGOs are when they are uploaded on the paperless system for the Committee's review. In that regard, he pointed out that the Committee's questions are transmitted to non-governmental organizations through the CSOnet messaging system which is used by the NGO branch to communicate with non-governmental organizations. The responses received from the organizations through the messaging system are subsequently uploaded on the paperless system for the Committee's review.

28. He further clarified that the deadline of 2 business days (48 hours) established by the Committee at its 2022 regular session, was only applicable to responses from NGOs with deferred applications that had failed to respond to the questions posed by the Committee at its previous sessions, after three reminders and not to the new applications that had submitted their responses to the Committee's questions posed during the current session. He recalled that the Committee had initiated discussions on the establishment of a 24-hour deadline for the review of responses received during the Committee's sessions but that it had not reached a consensus on the matter.

29. The representative of Cuba recalled that the Committee had agreed to establish a 48-hour deadline prior to the beginning of the session, to give the Committee's adequate to take review the responses at its 2022 regular session but that it had failed to reach an agreement regarding the 24-deadline for the review of applications received during the session due to differences of opinion within the Committee. He concurred with the statement by Pakistan that that the Committee required additional time to analyse the responses received from NGOs during the session before the beginning of the second round of review of applications to enable them to take informed decisions. He further noted that the Committee does not have a clear approach for dealing with responses received from non-governmental organizations that receive a second question after the second round of review.

30. The representative of Pakistan stated that it was unfair to expect the Committee to review responses received from non-governmental organizations uploaded by the Secretariat on the paperless platform a few minutes before the beginning of the session and requested that the Committee address the matter during its informal consultations.

31. The representative of Türkiye shared the concerns expressed by the representatives of Cuba and Pakistan. He stated that the Committee should define a clear procedure for conducting the second round of review of the applications. He added that the Secretariat should ensure that the questions posed by the Committee

and the responses received from non-governmental organizations are transmitted in a transparent and timely manner.

32. In response to a question by the representative of Cuba, the Chief of NGO Branch clarified that as far as he remembers there was no precedent in the Committee's practice when it had conducted a third round of review of applications.

33. At its 12th meeting, the Secretariat pointed out that the application of a non-governmental organization that had responded to the Committee's questions had inadvertently been overlooked during the second round of review of applications and the Chair requested the Committee to revisit the application. The representatives of Cuba, Eritrea, Pakistan, Türkiye, United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland requested clarification from the Secretariat regarding the practice of the Committee in such cases. Upon clarification by the Secretariat, the Committee agreed to review the response provided by the organization on the understanding that it was an exceptional measure to address a technical error and that it would not establish a precedent in the Committee's work.

34. At its 10th meeting on 27 January, the Committee took note of the change of name of ten non-governmental organizations.

VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

35. There was no request for a special report.

VII. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

36. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2023 regular session from 23 January – 1 and 13 February. The Committee held 15 meetings.

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

38. At the 1st meeting of the Committee, on 23 January, the Vice-Chair of the Committee, Ms. Petronella Nyagura (Zimbabwe), made opening remarks. She noted the role of the Committee as an important gateway for NGOs to engage with and contribute to the work of the United Nations by facilitating their access and participation to ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, as well as many UN meetings and monitoring their engagement of with the UN through quadrennial reports and pledged to work with the Committee in implementing its important mandate.

39. The representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland emphasized the vital significance of civil society to the work of the United Nations. He stated that civil society contributes to enriching the Organization's information base and ensuring the impact of its work on the ground. He reaffirmed his delegation's commitment to championing civil society participation at the United Nations and expressed regret at the efforts of a few member States to stifle the voices of NGOs. He stated that his delegation would seek the approval of all applications from all legitimate NGOs and scrutinize applications based strictly on the criteria stipulated in ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 namely, a) the active existence of the organization; b) independence of the organization from the government; c) non-harmful activities by the organization and d) adherence of the organization to the UN Charter. He

expressed regret at the increased politicization of deferrals in the Committee as part of a wider trend of reprisals against organizations that sought to engage with the United Nations. He encouraged all Committee Members to use a fair and objective review process and avoid blocking NGO applications for political reasons in order to foster deeper civil society engagement at the UN and reduce the backlog in applications. He expressed his delegation's support for efforts to improve the working methods of the Committee and urged the Committee to support the UN's commitment to inclusive multilateralism by promoting a safe and welcoming space for civil society.

40. The representative of Algeria expressed his delegation's commitment to the implementation of the Committee's mandate in line with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 and the United Nations Charter. He affirmed his delegation's belief in the crucial role of civil society in enhancing the work of the United Nations and ensuring effective responses to global challenges including the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. He stated that his delegation's approach is rooted in its Constitution and national laws which entrust the state with the responsibility of facilitating the participation of civil society in the conduct of public affairs. He cited as examples of the simplification of the procedures for the establishment of associations and the establishment of the National Observatory for Civil Society. He recalled the declaration of the thirty-first session of the Council of the League of Arab States at the summit level, hosted by Algeria in November 2022, which underlined the need to strengthen relations between Arab institutions and civil society actors. He further highlighted the forum hosted by Algeria in September 2022, in preparation for the Arab Summit, with the participation of civil society activists, influencers, and senior academic figures representing nineteen (19) Arab countries to discuss the role of the civil society. He emphasized the importance of promoting geographical balance in the representation of civil society from developing countries in the work of the United Nations and ensuring that their voice is heard in order to reflect the diversity of civil society around the world and reaffirmed his delegation's commitment to strengthening the role of civil society as an indispensable partner to the UN.

41. The representative of Türkiye underlined the vital role of NGOs in supporting local, national, regional, and global development processes and noted that their participation promotes local ownership, civic engagement, and accountability. He stated that the cooperation between the UN and civil society contributes to the sustainability and effectiveness of the UN's work and noted the Committee's crucial role in facilitating this cooperation. He welcomed the contributions of NGOs in consultative status to the work of the UN and affirmed his delegation's support to the granting of consultative status, in conformity with the spirit, purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, as well as the framework of ECOSOC resolution 1996/31. He commended the Committee for the steps it had taken towards enhancing the transparency and efficiency of its work and addressing issues related to its working methods and expressed the hope that those efforts would result in the efficient fulfilment of its mandate. He stressed that the Committee should strive to implement its mandate in accordance with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31, including organizing consultations with NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC. He noted however that the implementation of the consultations should not overburden the NGO Branch or negatively affect the Committee's principal function of considering applications for consultative status. He further emphasized that the modalities of the consultations are based on the principles of equity, transparency, and fairness. He cautioned members of the Committee against taking actions that undermine its role and competence and stressed that the review of applications should be done on a case-by-case basis. In that regard, he stated that the practice of bypassing the Committee's usual review process by tabling resolutions to selectively grant certain organizations consultative status is counterproductive and contrary to the Committee's mandate.

He noted that in the most recent example, the majority of Committee members had voted against recommending consultative status on all individual applications that were put to a vote and that some Committee members had also criticised the practice of bypassing the Committee's review process. While recognizing the right of each Committee member to put applications to a vote, he expressed his delegation's objection to the singling out of specific NGO applications for a vote in a selective manner based on artificially crafted criteria and asserted that the practice was detrimental to other NGOs awaiting the Committee's decisions.

42. The representative of Pakistan expressed her delegation's support to the work of the Committee, in accordance with the ECOSOC resolution 1996/31. She stated that the NGOs make important contributions to all societies, communities, and the world at large and affirmed her delegation's support to their constructive engagement with the United Nations.

43. The representative of the United States affirmed his delegation's commitment to the promotion of meaningful participation of non-governmental organizations in the United Nations system regardless of their political beliefs. He stressed that providing a platform for the participation of diverse NGOs in the UN system makes the institution and its member states stronger and more responsive to their constituents.

44. He expressed regret regarding the continued misuse of the practice of "no objection basis" by some members of the Committee and the politicization of Committee. He further stated that his delegation would not refrain from taking action when legitimate NGOs are punished for seeking to hold governments accountable. In that regard, he recalled that his delegation in and several partners presented a group of organizations, whose applications had been deferred by the Committee for a long time for politically reasons, for a vote before Economic and Social Council in December 2022 and welcomed the decision by ECOSOC to grant accreditation to the organizations. He noted that the approved organizations presented a small number the many legitimate organizations deferred by the Committee for many years. He expressed his delegation's concern regarding the increasing number of deferred applications, in particular, those of NGOs working on issues of human rights, marginalized groups, and drug policy. He welcomed the consultations of the Committee with NGOs in consultative status, convened in 2022 and stated that his delegation would continue to advocate for the Committee hold regular consultations as mandated by resolution 1996/31.

45. The representative of Georgia noted the important role played by of NGOs in the UN's work from its inception and their crucial role in the implementation of UN decisions, human rights protection as well as the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. He affirmed his delegation's support for the active engagement of the NGOs across the UN system, noting that their work serves to uphold the UN Charter. He further underlined the key role of civil society in the implementation of agreed frameworks, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Sustainable Development Goals, the Paris Agreement and human rights treaties. He affirmed his delegation's readiness as a new member of the Committee to facilitate the participation of NGOs in the work of the United Nations and to deepen the cooperation between the United Nations and civil society.

46. The representative of China affirmed his delegation's commitment to multilateralism and the important contributions of NGOs to the work of the United Nations. He stated that his delegation consistently upholds the principles of professionalism and impartiality and affirmed his support for the participation of NGOs in the work of the UN in an orderly manner in line with ECOSOC resolution 1996/31.

47. He stressed that members of the Committee should respect the working methods and established procedures of the Committee, in line ECOSOC resolution 1996/31 in order to maintain its authority. In that regard, he stated that actions aimed at disrupting or overturning the collective decisions of the Committee, undermine its authority and disrespect the UN's working methods. He further stressed that the Committee should fulfil its duties as mandated in a responsible manner. In that context, he stressed the Committee should examine all applications to ensure that they are compliant with the relevant provisions of the resolution and treat all organizations equally with fairness and impartiality. He expressed his delegation's objection to the utilization of NGOs as a pretext to attack and discredit other members and stated that it impedes the effective participation of NGOs in the UN's work. He further stated that the Committee should adhere to the principal of extensive consultations and work in the spirit of consensus in all matters including the review and improvement of its working methods and procedures. In that regard, he stressed that any reform of the Committee's working methods should be based on broad consensus among all members in accordance with the rules of procedures and established working procedures of the UN. He commended the Secretariat for overcoming the challenges related to its increased workload and limited resources and for effectively supporting the Committee to fulfil its mandate. He noted that there are over 6000 NGOs in consultative status which demonstrates the efficiency of the Committee and feasibility of its working methods. He reaffirmed his delegation's commitment to upholding the authority of the Committee, the centrality of the UN, as well as multilateralism and to the creation of better conditions for NGO participation at the UN.

48. The representative of Zimbabwe welcomed the efforts of member states to create space for the active participation of NGOs in the programmes and activities of the United Nations and underlined their invaluable contribution in the implementation of development priorities. He highlighted the increase in the number of NGOs seeking consultative status with ECOSOC and stressed that the Committee has the responsibility to facilitate their participation in accordance with relevant UN resolutions governing their participation. He reaffirmed his delegation's readiness to collaborate with all members to deliver the mandate of the Committee through cooperation and mutual understanding and commitment to maintaining the credibility and integrity of the Committee.

49. The representative of the European Union, in its capacity as observer, also on behalf of Albania, Georgia, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Montenegro, North Macedonia, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine expressed hope that the new members of the Committee would contribute to fulfilling its mandate and overcome its challenges and shortcomings, in particular by rejecting the practice of the unjustified deferral of some NGOs, sometimes for many years, on the basis of dilatory arguments and repeated questioning of NGOs, in contravention to the spirit of Resolution 1996/31. He stressed that the Committee has a high responsibility to uphold the credibility of the UN. He stated that the reform of the Committee was needed in order to allow for its more inclusive, effective, fair and transparent functioning, including through limits to deferrals and a process to reconsider arbitrary or erroneous decisions on deferral or denial. He pointed out that many NGOs applications had been deferred for many years, despite having provided detailed responses to the Committee's questions in good faith and urged the Committee to stop the practice of asking irrelevant or repetitive questions.

50. The representative recalled that the Economic and Social Council had voted to grant special consultative status to a number of non-governmental organisations in 2022 and reversed the Committee's recommendations. He stated that that the Economic and Social Council has the final decision-making authority on the granting consultative status and that it had exercised its authority appropriately when the

Committee failed to fulfil its mandate. He further stated that there was no justification to further delay consideration of applications that had been pending for a very long time. In that regard, he cited as examples the applications of the organizations, Secours Islamique France, deferred since 2018, the Hellenic Institute of Cultural Diplomacy and the Panhellenic Union of Cappadocian Associations, Associazione Luca Coscioni, the Robert Bosch Stiftung Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung, and Terre Des Femmes - Menschenrechte fuer die Frau e.V. and urged the Committee to recommend them for consultative status. He further reiterated his appeal to the Committee to allow NGOs to intervene virtually during the daily question-and-answer segments of its sessions.

51. In her closing remarks, at the 15th meeting, on 1 February, the Vice-Chair commended the Committee for its work and noted that the 2023 regular session had incorporated improvements in the Committee's working methods. In that regard, she noted that the Committee had implemented its decision made at the 2022 regular session, to establish a deadline of two business days (48 hours) before the beginning of each session for the receipt of responses provided by NGOs to its questions, to afford the Committee adequate time to review and consider those responses.

52. The representative of Türkiye commended the Chair for the successful completion of the Committee's program of work. He noted that there was a need for the Committee to review some of its working methods in particular those pertaining to the conduct of the second round of review of applications in cases where responses to the questions of the Committee have been received from non-governmental organizations during the session. He maintained that the Committee should establish clear deadlines and time frames in which the responses received from non-governmental organizations during the session of the Committee will be accepted and reviewed by the Committee. He further stated that the deadlines should be established in a way that would ensure the fair and transparent review of NGO applications, while not overburdening the Secretariat as well as the individual Committee members who need adequate time to review each application and the responses received in a timely manner. He stated that his delegation would engage actively in the deliberations with a view to achieving a constructive solution through consensus.

53. The representative of China also commended the Chair for the effective steering of the session. He noted that the Committee had deliberated on its working methods during the session and expressed his delegation's readiness to engage in informal deliberations with the goal of enhancing the NGO Committee's working methods including regarding how Committee deals with the responses received from the NGOs in a predictable and orderly manner.

54. The representative of Cuba stated that there was a need to for the Committee to use its time more efficiently given the limited resources. He concurred with the proposals made by the representatives of Türkiye and China that there was a need to explore feasible solutions in an informal setting, to allow the Committee adequate time to review the detailed responses received from non-governmental organizations during the session. He reiterated his delegation's previous request for the Secretariat to provide training to members of the Committee to familiarise them on the use of the new platform before its official roll out.

55. The representative of China also concurred with the proposals made by the representatives of Türkiye, China and Cuba regarding the establishment of a timeframe for the Committee's review of the responses received from non-governmental organizations during the session. He stated that there was a need for the Committee to hold informal consultations to discuss its working methods including how to streamline the participation of non-governmental organizations during the

question-and-answer sessions and the allocation of time for the second round of review applications with a view to improving the Committee's methods of work.

56. The Vice-Chair of the Committee took note of the proposals made by the various representatives and stated that she would convene informal consultations to address the issues raised by the members of the Committee during the inter-sessional period.

B. Attendance

57. The session was attended by 18 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-member States and representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and NGOs also attended. The list of participants will be issued in document E/C.2/2023/INF/1.

58. At its 2023 regular session, the Committee heard 7 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.

59. At its 8th meeting on 26 January the Committee listened to the observer of Indonesia presenting a request of the government of Indonesia to the Committee to revisit its decisions to recommend consultative status to Nationaal Papoea Vereniging '95/West Nieuw Guinea and West Papua Interest Association, stating that the applications of these NGOs do not meet the fundamental requirement for NGO participation in the UN system. At the same meeting the Committee decided to reconsider the applications of the two NGOs. The Committee posed questions to the two NGOs.

C. Election of officers

60. At its 1st meeting, on 23 January, the Committee elected Petronellar Nyagura (Zimbabwe) as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

61. At its 15th meeting, on 13 February, the Committee elected Daniel Zavala Porras (Costa Rica) as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

D. Agenda

62. At its 1st meeting, on 23 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2023 session, as contained in document E/C.2/2023/1. The agenda reads as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status with the Council 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;

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- (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
 4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council:
 - (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status;
 - (b) New quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status.
 5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch.
 6. 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:
 - (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;
 - (b) Issues on the agenda of the informal working group;
 - (c) Other related matters.
 7. 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 2024 session of the Committee.
 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

VIII. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2023 regular session

63. At its 14th meeting, on 1 February, 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.
 64. At its 15th meeting, on 13 February, the Committee adopted the present report.
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