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**Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly
resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996****Eleventh session**

5, 6 and 15 February 2007

Draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee*Rapporteur:* Mr. Lublin Dilja (Albania)**Chapter I****Introduction**

1. The eleventh session of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 was convened in accordance with paragraph 23 of General Assembly resolution 61/40 of 4 December 2006. The Committee met at Headquarters on 5, 6 and 15 February 2007.
2. In accordance with paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 51/210, the Ad Hoc Committee was open to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency.
3. At its 38th meeting, on 5 February 2007, the Committee elected Diego Malpede (Argentina) as Vice-Chairperson to replace Carlos Fernando Díaz Paniagua (Costa Rica), who was no longer available to serve in that capacity. The Committee paid tribute to Mr. Díaz Paniagua for his valuable contributions to the work of the Committee, particularly with regard to the coordination of outstanding issues concerning the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism. The other members of the Bureau of the Committee at the previous session continued to serve in their respective capacities. The Bureau was thus constituted as follows:

Chairman:

Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka)

Vice-Chairpersons:

Diego Malpede (Argentina)

Maria Telalian (Greece)

Sabelo Sivuyile Maqungo (South Africa)

Rapporteur:

Lublin Dilja (Albania)



4. Václav Mikulka, Director of the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs, acted as Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee, assisted by George Korontzis as Deputy Secretary. The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs provided the substantive services for the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the following agenda (A/AC.252/L.16):

1. Opening of the session.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Organization of work.
5. Consideration of the questions contained in the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee as set out in paragraph 22 of General Assembly resolution 61/40 of 4 December 2006.
6. Adoption of the report.

6. The Ad Hoc Committee had before it the report on its tenth session,¹ as well as the report on its sixth session,² containing, inter alia, a discussion paper prepared by the Bureau on the preamble and article 1 of the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism; informal texts of articles 2 and 2 bis, prepared by the coordinator; the texts of articles 3 to 17 bis and 20 to 27 prepared by the Friends of the Chairman; texts relating to article 18, one circulated by the coordinator for discussion and the other proposed by the States members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference; and a list of proposals made during the informal consultations on the preamble and article 1 appended to the report of the coordinator on the results of the informal consultations in the Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee also had before it two 2005 letters from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations concerning the convening of a high-level special session of the General Assembly on cooperation against terrorism.³

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/61/37)*.

² *Ibid., Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/57/37 and Corr.1)*. See also the reports of the Ad Hoc Committee on its seventh to tenth sessions (*Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/58/37)*; *ibid., Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/59/37)*; and *ibid., Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/60/37)*). See also the reports of the Working Group established at the fifty-fifth to sixtieth sessions of the General Assembly (A/C.6/55/L.2, A/C.6/56/L.9, A/C.6/57/L.9, A/C.6/58/L.10, A/C.6/59/L.10 and A/C.6/60/L.6). The summary of the oral report of the Chairman of the Working Group established at the sixty-first session is contained in document A/C.6/61/SR.21).

³ Letters dated 1 and 30 September 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the Chairman of the Sixth Committee, respectively (A/60/329 and A/C.6/60/2).

Chapter II

Proceedings

7. The Ad Hoc Committee held two plenary meetings: the 38th on 5 February and the 39th on 15 February 2007.

8. At the 38th meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted its work programme and decided to proceed with discussions in informal consultations and informal contacts. At the same meeting, Ms. Telalian, who had been requested by the Chairman of the Working Group of the Sixth Committee on measures to eliminate international terrorism to coordinate informal contacts among delegations intersessionally on the outstanding issues concerning the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism on behalf of the Chairman in his absence, was further requested to continue her consultations during the current session of the Ad Hoc Committee.

9. The informal consultations regarding the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism were held on 5, 6 and ___ February and informal contacts were held on 5 and 6 February, as well as between 7 and 14 February in the margins of the session of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization. The informal consultations concerning the question of convening a high-level conference under the auspices of the United Nations to formulate a joint organized response of the international community to terrorism in all its forms and manifestations were held on 6 February. During the informal consultations, on 5 February, Ms. Telalian made a statement regarding the results of the informal contacts held intersessionally; and on ___ February she made a statement on the informal contacts held during the current session.

10. At the 39th meeting, the Chairman presented his report on the exchange of views in the Committee and on the results of the informal consultations and informal contacts on the draft convention and on the question of convening a high-level conference. That report, which includes a summary of the statements made by Ms. Telalian during the informal consultations, is contained in the annex to the present report. The annex is for reference purposes only and is not a record of the discussions.

11. At the same meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the report on its eleventh session.

Chapter III

Recommendation

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