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resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996**

Tenth session

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Draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee

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Chapter I

Introduction

1. The tenth session of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 was convened in accordance with paragraph 22 of General Assembly resolution 60/43 of 8 December 2005. The Committee met at Headquarters from 27 February to 3 March 2006.

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 36th meeting, on 27 February 2006, the Committee elected Sabelo Sivuyile Maqungo (South Africa) as Vice-Chairperson to replace Albert Hoffmann (South Africa), who was no longer available to serve in that capacity. The Committee paid tribute to Mr. Hoffmann for his valuable contributions to the work of the Committee, particularly with regard to the concluding of the negotiations on the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear 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:

Carlos Fernando Díaz Paniagua (Costa Rica)

Maria Telalian (Greece)

Sabelo Sivuyile Maqungo (South Africa)

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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.15):

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 21 of General Assembly resolution 60/43 of 8 December 2005.
6. Adoption of the report.

6. The Ad Hoc Committee had before it the report on its ninth session,¹ containing, inter alia, written amendments and proposals submitted by delegations to the Committee in connection with the elaboration of a draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism; and 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 the report of the Working Group of the Sixth Committee established at the sixtieth session of the General Assembly (A/C.6/60/L.6),³ two proposals to facilitate discussion by the Friends of the Chairman of the Working Group, introduced in the Sixth Committee during the sixtieth session of the General Assembly (A/C.6/60/INF.1 and 2), and two 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.⁴

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/60/37)*.

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 and eighth sessions (*Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/58/37)* and *ibid., Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/59/37)*).

³ See also the reports of the Working Group established at the fifty-fifth to fifty-ninth 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 and A/C.6/59/L.10), a letter dated 3 August 2005 from the Chairman of the Sixth Committee addressed to the President of the General Assembly containing, in its annex, the report of the coordinator on the results of the informal consultations on a draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism, held from 25 to 29 July 2005 (A/59/894), and a letter dated 5 October 2005 from the Chairman of the Organization of the Islamic Conference Group addressed to the Chairman of the Sixth Committee (A/C.6/60/3).

⁴ 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 36th on 27 February and the 37th on 3 March 2006.

8. At the 36th meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted its work programme and decided to proceed with discussions in informal consultations and informal contacts. The informal contacts regarding the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism were held on 27 and 28 February and on 1 and 2 March and informal consultations were held on 1 March. 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 1 March.

9. At the 37th meeting, the Chairman presented his report on the results of the informal consultations and informal contacts on the draft convention and on the question of convening a high-level conference. This report is contained in annex I to the present report, for reference purposes only and not as a record of the discussions. Annex II contains written amendments and proposals submitted by delegations during the current session of the Ad Hoc Committee in connection with the elaboration of the draft comprehensive convention.

10. At its 37th meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the report on its tenth session.

Annex I

Informal summaries by the Chairman on the results of the informal consultations and informal contacts on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism and on the question of convening a high-level conference

A. Draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism

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B. Question of convening a high-level conference

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Annex II

Amendments and proposals

Written amendments and proposals submitted by delegations to the Ad Hoc Committee at its current session in connection with the elaboration of a draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism

Proposal submitted by Argentina amending A/C.6/60/INF/2 (A/AC.252/2006/WP.1)

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