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Dear Sr. Vidal,

We regret to inform you that the Economic and Social Council at its 1979 First Regular Session, Fourth Plenary meeting on 11 April, decided to confer no status to your organization.

We are enclosing a copy of the Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations wherein you will note the Committee's recommendations to the Council as they pertain to the many requests received. The Committee felt that the activities of your organization, although pertinent to some Departments of the United Nations were not related directly to the work of the Council.

We draw your attention to paragraph 40(a) of the enclosed Council Resolution 1296 concerning reapplication should your organization intend to reapply. Before so doing, however, your organization should demonstrate a closer relationship to the concerns of the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

It was a pleasure to have worked with you in processing your request and we wish you well in your worthy endeavours.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Virginia Saurwein".

Virginia F. Saurwein
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Part IX

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

39. The members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations⁹⁵ shall be elected at the first session of the Council each year, on the basis of equitable geographical representation, in accordance with Council resolution 1099 (XL) of 4 March 1966 and rule 82 of the rules of procedure of the Council. The Committee shall elect its Chairman and other officers as necessary. A member shall serve until the next election unless it ceases to be a member of the Council.

40. The functions of the Committee shall include the following:

(a) The Committee shall hold a session before the first session of the Council each year to consider applications for consultative status in categories I and II and for listing on the Roster made by non-governmental organizations and requests for changes in status, and to make recommendations thereon to the Council. Organizations shall give due consideration to any comments on technical matters which the Secretary-General of the United Nations may make in receiving such applications for the Committee. The Committee shall consider at each such session applications received by the Secretary-General not later than 1 June of the preceding year, on which sufficient data have been distributed to the members of the Committee not later than six weeks before the applications are to be considered. Reapplication by an organization for status, or a request for a change in status, shall be considered by the Committee at the earliest at its first session in the second year following the session at which the substance of the previous application or request was considered, unless at the time of such consideration it was decided otherwise.

(b) Organizations in consultative status in categories I and II shall submit to the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations through the Secretary-General every fourth year a brief report of their activities, specifically as regards the support they have given to the work of the United Nations. Based on findings of the Committee's examination of the report and other relevant information, the Committee may recommend to the Council any reclassification in status of the organization concerned as it deems appropriate. However, under exceptional circumstances, the Committee may ask for such a report from an individual organization in category I or II or on the Roster, between the regular reporting dates.

(c) The Committee may consult, in connexion with sessions of the Council or at such other times as it may decide, with organizations in categories I and II on matters within their competence, other than items on the agenda of the Council, on which the Council or the Committee or the organization requests consultation. The Committee shall report to the Council on such consultations.

(d) The Committee may consult, in connexion with any particular session of the Council, with organizations in categories I and II on matters within the competence of the organizations concerning specific items already on the provisional agenda of the Council on

⁹⁵ This Committee is now composed of thirteen members, in accordance with the provisions of Council resolution 1099 (XL) of 4 March 1966.

which the Council or the Committee or the organization requests consultation, and shall make recommendations as to which organizations, subject to the provisions of paragraph 25 (a) above, should be heard by the Council or the appropriate committee and regarding which subjects should be heard. The Committee shall report to the Council on such consultations.

(e) The Committee shall consider matters concerning non-governmental organizations which may be referred to it by the Council or by commissions.

(f) The Committee shall consult with the Secretary-General, as appropriate, on matters affecting the consultative arrangements under Article 71 of the Charter, and arising therefrom.

41. The Committee, in considering a request from a non-governmental organization in category I that an item be placed on the agenda of the Council, shall take into account, among other things:

(a) The adequacy of the documentation submitted by the organization;

(b) The extent to which it is considered that the item lends itself to early and constructive action by the Council;

(c) The possibility that the item might be more appropriately dealt with elsewhere than in the Council.

42. Any decision by the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations not to grant a request submitted by a non-governmental organization in category I that an item be placed on the provisional agenda of the Council shall be considered as final unless the Council decides otherwise.

Part X

CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARIAT

43. The Secretariat should be so organized as to enable it to carry out the duties assigned to it concerning the consultative arrangements as set forth in the present resolution.

44. All organizations in consultative relationship shall be able to consult with officers of the appropriate sections of the Secretariat on matters in which there is a mutual interest or a mutual concern. Such consultation shall be upon the request of the non-governmental organization or upon the request of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

45. The Secretary-General may request organizations in categories I and II and those on the Roster to carry out specific studies or prepare specific papers, subject to the relevant financial regulations.

46. The Secretary-General shall be authorized, within the means at his disposal, to offer to non-governmental organizations in consultative relationship facilities which include:

(a) Prompt and efficient distribution of such documents of the Council and its subsidiary bodies as shall in the judgement of the Secretary-General be appropriate;

(b) Access to the press documentation services provided by the United Nations;

(c) Arrangement of informal discussions on matters of special interest to groups or organizations;

(d) Use of the libraries of the United Nations;

(e) Provision of accommodation for conferences or smaller meetings of consultative organizations on the work of the Economic and Social Council;

International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR)

This organization applied for category II status.

The Committee recommended that this organization be placed on the Roster.

International League for the Rights and Liberation of Peoples

This organization applied for category II status.

The Committee recommended that this organization be placed on the Roster.

International Organization for the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination (EAFORD)

This organization applied for category I status.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of this application to its next session.

International Organization for the Promotion of Vocational Training and the International Youth Skill Olympics

This organization applied for category II status.

The Committee recommended that no status be conferred on this organization.

International Social Security Association (ISSA)

This organization applied for category I status.

The Committee recommended this organization for category I consultative status.

International Union of Young Christian Democrats (IUYCD)

This organization applied for category II status.

The Committee recommended this organization for category II consultative status.

La Leche League International, Inc. (LLLI)

This organization applied for the roster status.

The Committee recommended that this organization be placed on the Roster.

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