



# 1540 Committee

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

QUARTERLY MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

This message covers activities undertaken by the 1540 Committee during the second quarter of 2022.

On 5 April the Committee held informal consultations to discuss matters related to the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), Comprehensive Review, preparations for the Open Consultations and others.

On 10 May the Committee held informal consultations and reviewed the implementation of select paragraphs of resolution 2325 (2016).

On 12 May an informal meeting was held to consider elements for inclusion in the final report of the Comprehensive Review.

From 30 May to 2 June, the Committee held open consultations on the comprehensive review of the implementation of the resolution at Headquarters. These provided Member States with an opportunity to inform the Committee of their views on the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), and to recommend practical ideas for its improvement. International and regional organizations relevant to the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), as well as selected participants from non-governmental organizations, academia, professional associations, and industry were also invited to participate in appropriate sessions of the consultations. The High Representative for Disarmament Affairs opened the meeting. Statements were made by 60 Member States, as well as 15 international and regional organizations. Participants from non-governmental organizations, academia, professional associations, and industry delivered statements in an informal segment.

The Committee has continued to promote implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) and conducted a number of informal virtual and hybrid meetings. Subjects covered during these discussions included implementation of the resolution, the Committee's assistance mechanism, as well as cooperation and coordination.

Botswana and Mongolia submitted to the Committee a voluntary National Implementation Action Plan for the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), on 22 April and 25 April respectively. In addition, the Committee received updated Point of Contact details from Grenada, Indonesia, Kenya, Lao PDR, Malaysia, the Philippines, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone, Thailand, Ukraine and Zimbabwe, which were circulated in the reporting period.

International Maritime Organization's assistance offer was updated this quarter and posted on the Committee website.

The Committee participated in a number of meetings and workshops relevant to resolution 1540:

- 5 April – The 13<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Regional Forum Intersessional Meeting on Nonproliferation and Disarmament. Organized by the Governments of Thailand, Sri Lanka, and the United States.
- 21 to 22 April – The 22<sup>nd</sup> Nuclear Security Information Exchange Meeting. Organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency.
- 11 May – Meeting for strengthening cross-border capacity for control and detection of CBRN substances in the North Africa and Sahel region. Organized by the European Union CBRN Centers of Excellence.
- 25 to 26 May – National round table to strengthen the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) in Ecuador. Organized by the Government of Ecuador, the 1540 Committee, and UNODA.
- 8 to 9 June – Regional meeting of stakeholders involved with implementing resolution 1540 (2004) in Latin America and the Caribbean. Organized by the Organization of American States.

For more information about the Committee and its activities, and for more detailed information on resolution 1540 (2004) and its successor resolutions, please visit <http://www.un.org/en/sc/1540/>.