

## **Programme of Work of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)**

**(1 July-30 September 2005)**

The second programme of work of the 1540 Committee covers the period from 1 July to 30 September 2005.

### **1. Examination of first national reports**

The Committee had received by 1 July 2005 first reports submitted pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) from 118 States and one organization.

To help fulfil its mandate to report to the Security Council on the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), the main objective of the current work of the Committee is to complete examination of the national reports submitted by Member States.

### **2. Facilitation of assistance**

In the process of examining the first national reports, the Committee will keep up-to-date information on the issue of assistance for States that have requested such assistance in order to implement resolution 1540 (2004). The Committee will continue to collect information on action already under way to assist States in areas relevant to resolution 1540 implementation, and to discuss how such assistance can best be facilitated.

### **3. Pursuing further reporting under relevant provisions of resolution 1540 (2004)**

The Committee will seek to improve further reporting through interaction with the States that have yet to submit their first national report in accordance with the provisions of resolution 1540 (2004).

The Chairman will continue to raise the issue of further reporting through informal briefings with Member States, addressing new formal reminders to those that have yet to report, reaching out to international and regional organizations that could facilitate interaction with Member States on reporting as well as through organization of regional seminars and workshops, as appropriate. The Committee and its experts will consider any information submitted by States as supplementary to that in their first reports to the Committee.

### **4. Transparency**

Transparency will continue to be an important hallmark in the work of the Committee. The Committee will further interact on a regular basis with the United Nations Member States through briefings by the Chair and the Vice-Chairmen, as well as through common briefings with the Chairmen of CTC and Committee 1267.

The Committee will update its website (<http://disarmament2.un.org/Committee1540>) as a source of additional information on issues related to resolution 1540 (2004).

The Committee will continue to inform organizations outside the United Nations about the Committee's work through attendance at regional and subregional meetings and conferences.

States are encouraged to make direct contact with the Committee's members and its experts to seek any necessary clarification on the issues covered in their correspondence with the Committee or on other matters: (phone: +1 212 457 1296; fax: +1 212 457 4045; and/or e-mail: 1540experts@un.org). In addition, the 1540 Committee, with the support of its experts, may, when deemed appropriate, contact States to seek further clarification from them on issues arising from their reports.

**5. Cooperation between 1540 Committee and international, regional and subregional organizations, and other Security Council subsidiary bodies**

The Committee will continue to interact and cooperate, as appropriate, with relevant international, regional and subregional organizations in order to seek support for its work and facilitate the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004).

The Committee will maintain close cooperation with the CTC and the Al Qaeda/Taliban Sanctions Committee as provided for in resolution 1566 (2004) and PRST/2005/16 of 25 April 2005. The Committee's experts will work closely with the experts of the other Committees, seeking to maximize the synergies between and among the other expert groups.

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