Note by the Chairman

The following guidelines of the Committee for the conduct of its work were adopted today, Tuesday, 16 October 2001.

GUIDELINES OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS WORK

1. The Counter-Terrorism Committee
   
   (a) The Committee of the Security Council established by paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) of 28 September 2001 will be known as the Counter-Terrorism Committee.

   (b) The Committee will monitor implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), in accordance with paragraphs 6 and 7 of that resolution.

   (c) The guiding principles of the Committee’s work will be co-operation, transparency and even-handedness.

2. Composition of the Committee

   (a) The Committee will consist of all Members of the Security Council.

   (b) The Chairman of the Committee will be appointed by the Security Council, and will be the Permanent Representative of a Member of the Security Council.

   (c) The Chairman will chair meetings of the Committee. When he is unable to chair a meeting, he will nominate a chairman to act on his behalf.

   (d) The Secretariat of the Committee will be provided by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

   (e) The Chairman of the Committee will be assisted by Vice Chairmen of the Committee, who will be appointed by the Security Council.

   (f) The Chairman and Vice Chairmen will make the necessary preparations for meetings of the Committee in order to ensure its proper and effective functioning.

3. Meetings of the Committee

   (a) Meetings of the Committee will be convened at any time the Chairman deems necessary, or at the request of a Member of the Committee.
(b) 24 hours notice will normally be given of any meeting of the Committee.

(c) The Committee will meet in closed session, unless it decides otherwise.

(d) The Committee may invite any member of the United Nations to participate in the discussion of any question brought before the Committee in which the interests of that Member are specifically affected.

(e) The Committee may invite members of the Secretariat or other persons whom it considers competent for the purpose to supply it with appropriate expertise or information or to give it other assistance in examining matters within its competence.

(f) The Chairman will invite the experts of the Committee to attend meetings as appropriate.

4. Documentation and Agenda

(a) The Chairman, in conjunction with the Secretariat, will circulate a provisional Agenda before a meeting of the Committee.

(b) The Chairman, in conjunction with the Secretariat, will circulate documents and papers to members of the Committee.

5. Information Supplied to the Committee

(a) The Committee will consider information relevant to its work not only from all States, but also from any other sources in a position to provide such information, including international organisations and institutions, non-governmental organisations and individuals.

(b) The information received by the Committee will be kept confidential if the provider so requests or if the Committee so decides.

(c) The Committee will establish such arrangements as are necessary with other intergovernmental organisations and bodies, particularly those in the United Nations system, operating in areas relevant to the work of the Committee, for the provision of information relevant to the work of the Committee.

6. Reports Submitted Pursuant to Paragraph 6

Reports submitted by States pursuant to paragraph 6 of resolution 1373 (2001) will be circulated as documents of the Security Council.

7. Decision-making

(a) The Committee will reach decisions by consensus of its members. If consensus cannot be reached on a particular issue, the Chairman will undertake such further consultations as may facilitate agreement. If, after these consultations, consensus still cannot be reached, the matter will be submitted to the Security Council.
(b) Where the Committee agrees, decisions may be taken by a written procedure. In such cases the Chairman will circulate to all members of the Committee the proposed decision of the Committee, and will request members of the Committee to indicate their objection to the proposed decision within 48 hours (or in urgent situations, such shorter period as the Chairman shall determine). If no objection is received within such a period, the decision will be deemed adopted.

8. Transparency in the Work of the Committee

The Chairman, and as appropriate the Vice Chairmen, in consultation with the Committee, will hold regular briefings of Member States and of the media to explain and publicise the work of the Committee.

9. Reports to the Security Council

The Committee will submit regular reports, including recommendations as necessary, to the Security Council on the implementation of SCR 1373 (2001), either orally or in writing, as requested by the Security Council, or where the Committee deems it necessary to submit a report to the Security Council.