In accordance with paragraph 24(e) of Security Council resolution 1970 (2011) of 26 February 2011, I have the honour to report to the Security Council on the work of the Committee established by the same resolution. The report covers the period from 29 March to 27 June 2011.

During this period, the Committee convened one informal consultations – on 6 June – to meet with the newly appointed Panel of Experts and hear a briefing by INTERPOL on the value of INTERPOL’s Notice System to the Security Council’s sanctions committees. The Panel is currently on mission to several countries in Europe, to be followed by travel to countries in Africa, in order to gather information from States, relevant United Nations bodies, regional organizations and other interested parties regarding the implementation of the measures decided in resolutions 1970 (2011) and 1973 (2011). The Committee expects to receive a copy of the Panel’s interim report no later than 10 August 2011.

Aside from the informal consultations, the Committee has dealt with a number of written communications from Member States, most of which relate to the assets freeze measure. I will not go into detail regarding each and every communication here. In sum, the Committee granted 10 requests for an exception to the asset freeze, under the basic expenses provision set out in paragraph 19(a) of resolution 1970 (2011); it acknowledged receipt of one notification under the lien or judgment provision set out in paragraph 19(c) of the resolution; and it acknowledged receipt of 25 notifications under the prior contracts provision set out in paragraph 21 of the resolution. The Committee has also answered, or is in the process of answering, a total of 15 requests for guidance concerning the scope and implementation of the assets freeze.

At this point, I would like to assure those Member States that have yet to receive a response to their request for guidance that the members of the Committee are working diligently to address the requests.

In connection with the arms embargo, the Committee approved one request for an exception to that measure, in accordance with paragraph 9 of resolution 1970 (2011), vis-à-vis de-mining equipment. Moreover, the Committee responded to a request for clarification on the scope of the arms embargo as well as a request for additional information related to its enforcement on the high seas. In the context of such enforcement, the Committee has thus far received 11 reports of inspection of cargo on board vessels heading towards Libya.
6. Mr. President, in paragraph 19 of resolution 1973 (2011), the Council directed the Committee to designate additional Libyan authorities, individuals or entities as subject to the assets freeze. Most of the specific proposals are still under the Committee’s consideration. However, on 24 June 2011, the Committee designated two individuals as subject to the travel ban and assets freeze and one entity as subject to the assets freeze.

7. Finally, in paragraph 25 of resolution 1970 (2011), the Council called upon all Member States to report to the Committee within 120 days of the adoption of the resolution – i.e., by 26 June 2011 – on the steps they have taken with a view to implementing effectively the arms embargo, the travel ban and the assets freeze. To date, the Committee has received only 30 implementation reports. The Committee dispatched two notes verbale to all Member States reminding them of the deadline for submission, and I would like to take this opportunity to remind them again.

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