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Agenda item 1

Organizational and procedural matters

Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council*

16/20

Follow-up to the report of the independent international fact-finding mission on the incident of the humanitarian flotilla

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

Considering that the promotion of respect for the obligations arising from the Charter and the other instruments and rules of international law is among the basic purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Taking into consideration the relevant provisions of international humanitarian and human rights law,

Emphasizing the importance of the safety and well-being of all civilians, including humanitarian personnel,

Recalling Human Rights Council resolution 14/1 of 2 June 2010, in which the Council decided to dispatch an independent international fact-finding mission to investigate violations of human rights law and international humanitarian law resulting from the Israeli attacks on the flotilla of ships carrying humanitarian assistance,

Recalling also Human Rights Council resolution 15/1 of 29 September 2010, in which the Council endorsed the conclusions contained in the report of the independent international fact-finding mission, called upon all concerned parties to ensure the immediate implementation of the conclusions contained in the report of the fact-finding mission and requested the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to submit a report on the status of implementation of those conclusions,

* The resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council will be contained in the report of the Council on its sixteenth session (A/HRC/16/2), chap. I.

Welcoming the establishment by the Secretary-General of a panel of inquiry and recalling that its work has not been completed,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;¹

2. *Regrets* the non-cooperation of the occupying Power, Israel, with the independent international fact-finding mission on the Gaza flotilla incident;

3. *Calls upon* concerned parties to ensure the immediate implementation of the conclusions contained in the report of the fact-finding mission;

4. *Encourages* the panel of inquiry established by the Secretary-General to complete its work without delay;

5. *Requests* the High Commissioner to submit a report on the status of the implementation of paragraph 3 above to the Human Rights Council at its seventeenth session;

6. *Decides* to follow up the implementation of the present resolution at its seventeenth session.

*47th meeting
25 March 2011*

[Adopted by a recorded vote of 37 to 1, with 8 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Angola, Argentina, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Cuba, Djibouti, Ecuador, France, Gabon, Ghana, Guatemala, Japan, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Spain, Switzerland, Thailand, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay

Against:

United States of America

Abstaining:

Cameroon, Hungary, Poland, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Slovakia, Ukraine, Zambia]

¹ A/HRC/16/73.