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Letter dated 31 December 2007 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) (see annex), which covers the Committee's activities from 1 January to 31 December 2007. The report is submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234).

(Signed) Marcello Spatafora
Chairman
Security Council Committee established
pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)



Annex

Annual report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2007.
2. For 2007, the bureau consisted of Marcello Spatafora (Italy), with the delegations of Ghana and Peru providing the two Vice-Chairmen.
3. Since its inception, the Committee has been meeting with such frequency as necessary to carry out its duties effectively. During the reporting period, the Committee held 14 sessions of informal consultations at the expert level and one formal meeting. In discharging its mandate the Committee was guided by paragraph 12 of Security Council resolution 1718 (2006).

II. Background

4. The Committee was established in accordance with rule 28 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, to undertake the following tasks:
 - (a) To seek from all States, in particular those producing or possessing the items, materials, equipment, goods and technology referred to in paragraph 8 (a) of resolution 1718 (2006), information regarding the actions taken by them to implement effectively the measures imposed by paragraph 8 of the resolution and whatever further information it may consider useful in this regard;
 - (b) To examine and take appropriate action on information regarding alleged violations of measures imposed by paragraph 8 of the resolution;
 - (c) To consider and decide upon requests for exemptions set out in paragraphs 9 and 10 of the resolution;
 - (d) To determine additional items, materials, equipment, goods and technology to be specified for the purpose of paragraphs 8 (a) (i) and 8 (a) (ii) of the resolution;
 - (e) To designate additional individuals and entities subject to the measures imposed by paragraphs 8 (d) and 8 (e) of the resolution;
 - (f) To promulgate guidelines as may be necessary to facilitate the implementation of the measures imposed by the resolution;
 - (g) To report at least every 90 days to the Security Council on its work, with its observations and recommendations, in particular on ways to strengthen the effectiveness of the measures imposed by paragraph 8 of resolution 1718 (2006).

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

5. Owing to keen interest of Member States outside the Council, as well as many represented on the Council, the Committee addressed the issue of implementing paragraph 8 (a) (iii) of resolution 1718 (2006) concerning the ban on the export of luxury goods to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. In this connection, on

21 February 2007 the Committee addressed a letter to Member States clarifying that any definition of luxury goods as might be necessary for Member States to implement the provision would be the national responsibility of individual Member States. The Committee also reaffirmed that the measures contained in paragraph 8 (a) (iii) were consistent with the objectives of the resolution and were not intended to restrict the supply of ordinary goods to the wider population of the country or to have a negative humanitarian impact on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The Committee referred Member States to national reports submitted pursuant to paragraph 11 of resolution 1718 (2006) as cases of national definitions and implementation with respect to luxury goods.

6. In letters dated 15 March 2007, the Committee replied to communications received from the International Air Transport Association and the Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations, which had sought guidance on specific cases of cooperation with the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea after the adoption of resolution 1718 (2006).

7. On 20 June 2007, at a formal meeting, the Committee adopted guidelines for the conduct of its work. This document — which was transmitted to all States for their information and use, as necessary, and was posted on the Committee's webpage (www.un.org/sc/committees/1718) — serves as a tool to guide the work of the Committee and to facilitate the implementation of the measures imposed by the Security Council in its resolution 1718 (2006).

8. In accordance with its mandate, the Committee continued the process of determining additional items, materials, equipment, goods and technology to be specified for the purpose of paragraphs 8 (a) (ii) of the resolution, and of adjusting the lists contained in documents S/2006/814, S/2006/815 and S/2006/853 and Corr.1, through the consideration of amendments proposed by the members of the Committee. No decision has been taken in this regard.

9. In paragraph 11 of its resolution 1718 (2006) the Security Council called upon all Member States to report to the Council within 30 days of the adoption of the resolution on the steps they had taken with a view to implementing effectively the provisions of paragraph 8 of the resolution. By 31 December 2007, the Committee had received reports from 71 countries and one organization (European Union), concerning the implementation of the resolution. Replies are issued as official documents of the Committee under the series S/AC.491 (see appendix to the present annex) and are also accessible electronically on the United Nations Official Document System and on the Committee website, unless a State requests that its reply be kept confidential.

10. In paragraph 12 (e) of its resolution 1718 (2006), the Security Council decided to mandate the Committee to designate additional individuals and entities subject to the measures imposed by paragraphs 8 (d) and 8 (e) of the resolution, i.e., targeted financial sanctions and travel ban, respectively. During the reporting period, the Committee has received no requests for designation on the basis of the criteria contained in the two subparagraphs referred to above.

IV. Conclusions and observations

11. While affirming that the primary responsibility for implementing the provisions of resolution 1718 (2006) rests with States, the Committee when requested stands ready to facilitate implementation of those provisions. The Committee continues this cooperation with Member States and/or relevant organizations upon receiving specific requests in this regard.

Appendix

Reports received pursuant to paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 1718 (2006)

<i>Member State or organization</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>Date of communication</i>
Australia	S/AC.49/2006/1	10 November 2006
Canada	S/AC.49/2006/2	13 November 2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	S/AC.49/2006/3	13 November 2006
Denmark	S/AC.49/2006/4	30 November 2006
Liechtenstein	S/AC.49/2006/5	13 November 2006
Czech Republic	S/AC.49/2006/6	13 November 2006
Finland (on behalf of the European Union)	S/AC.49/2006/7	13 November 2006
Republic of Korea	S/AC.49/2006/8 S/AC.49/2006/8/Add.1	13 November 2006 12 January 2007
Singapore	S/AC.49/2006/9	13 November 2006
Japan	S/AC.49/2006/10	13 November 2006
United States of America	S/AC.49/2006/11	13 November 2006
France	S/AC.49/2006/12	13 November 2006
Russian Federation	S/AC.49/2006/13 S/AC.49/2006/13/Add.1	13 November 2006 1 June 2007
Slovakia	S/AC.49/2006/14	14 November 2006
Hungary	S/AC.49/2006/15	14 November 2006
New Zealand	S/AC.49/2006/16	15 November 2006
Finland	S/AC.49/2006/17	13 November 2006
Slovenia	S/AC.49/2006/18	14 November 2006
Marshall Islands	S/AC.49/2006/19	16 November 2006
Belarus	S/AC.49/2006/20	16 November 2006
China	S/AC.49/2006/21	15 November 2006
Sweden	S/AC.49/2006/22	16 November 2006
Cuba	S/AC.49/2006/23	13 November 2006
Romania	S/AC.49/2006/24	14 November 2006

<i>Member State or organization</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>Date of communication</i>
Cyprus	S/AC.49/2006/25	16 November 2006
Poland	S/AC.49/2006/26	16 November 2006
Belgium	S/AC.49/2006/27	17 November 2006
Sri Lanka	S/AC.49/2006/28	20 November 2006
Thailand	S/AC.49/2006/29	20 November 2006
Argentina	S/AC.49/2006/30 S/AC.49/2006/30/Add.1	22 November 2006 5 February 2007
Bulgaria	S/AC.49/2006/31 S/AC.49/2006/31/Add.1	28 November 2006 7 February 2007
Italy	S/AC.49/2006/32	28 November 2006
Germany	S/AC.49/2006/33	30 November 2006
Switzerland	S/AC.49/2006/34	30 November 2006
Brazil	S/AC.49/2006/35	10 November 2006
Spain	S/AC.49/2006/36	29 November 2006
Portugal	S/AC.49/2006/37	30 November 2006
Albania	S/AC.49/2006/38	1 December 2006
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	S/AC.49/2006/39	6 December 2006
South Africa	S/AC.49/2006/40	7 December 2006
Panama	S/AC.49/2006/41	14 December 2006
Malta	S/AC.49/2006/42	12 December 2006
Latvia	S/AC.49/2006/43	19 December 2006
Peru	S/AC.49/2006/44	21 December 2006
Mexico	S/AC.49/2006/45	22 December 2006
Estonia	S/AC.49/2006/46	22 December 2006
Austria	S/AC.49/2007/1	28 December 2006
Serbia	S/AC.49/2007/2	9 January 2007
Indonesia	S/AC.49/2007/3	10 January 2007
Qatar	S/AC.49/2007/4 S/AC.49/2007/4/Add.1	10 January 2007 14 May 2007
Lithuania	S/AC.49/2007/5	15 January 2007

<i>Member State or organization</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>Date of communication</i>
Greece	S/AC.49/2007/6	11 December 2006
Netherlands	S/AC.49/2007/7	14 December 2006
Philippines	S/AC.49/2007/8 S/AC.49/2007/8/Add.1	22 January 2007 14 February 2007
Viet Nam	S/AC.49/2007/9	19 January 2007
Kyrgyzstan	S/AC.49/2007/10	19 January 2007
United Arab Emirates	S/AC.49/2007/11	23 January 2007
Ukraine	S/AC.49/2007/12 S/AC.49/2007/12/Add.1	19 January 2007 23 May 2007
Guatemala	S/AC.49/2007/13	6 February 2007
Turkey	S/AC.49/2007/14	9 February 2007
Pakistan	S/AC.49/2007/15	11 January 2007
Kuwait	S/AC.49/2007/16	17 January 2007
Croatia	S/AC.49/2007/17	20 February 2007
Jordan	S/AC.49/2007/18	20 February 2007
Bahrain	S/AC.49/2007/19	28 February 2007
Kazakhstan	S/AC.49/2007/20	26 February 2007
Mongolia	S/AC.49/2007/21	5 March 2007
Maldives	S/AC.49/2007/22	8 March 2007
India	S/AC.49/2007/23	20 February 2007
Israel	S/AC.49/2007/24	19 April 2007
Algeria	S/AC.49/2007/25	15 May 2007
Saudi Arabia	S/AC.49/2007/26	26 June 2007
