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Subject request for information regarding accreditation

Dear Sir,

The Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for the Durban Review Conference met this morning and examined the responses that you sent to the questions raised by the Government of Iran in the context of your request for accreditation to the sessions of the Preparatory Committee. In this discussion, the Bureau asked the secretariat to request of your organisation specific answers to two of the questions already posed by Iran, namely questions 3) and 4) in the attached list which was sent to you on 23 April 2008.

The Bureau will be meeting again to examine your organisation's response to these questions on Wednesday morning. May I kindly request that you send your response by the end of the day today, Monday 28 April.

Kind regards,

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Questions sent by the Government of Iran.doc

**Questions contained in the Note Verbale sent by the Government of Iran
to the secretariat**

1. Since the said organisation has no consultative status with ECOSOC, we would like to have the following information in accordance with the provisions of the ECOSOC resolution 1996/31:

- A. The purpose of the organisation;
- B. Information as to the programme and activities of the organisation in areas relevant to the conference and its preparatory process and the country or countries in which they are carried out, to confirm the interest in the goals and objectives of the conference;
- C. Confirmation of the activities of the organisation at the national, regional and international level;
- D. Copies of the annual or other reports of the organisation with financial statements, and a list of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions;
- E. A list of members of the governing body of the organisation and their countries of nationality;
- F. A description of the membership of the organisation, including the total number of members, the names of the organisations that are members and their geographical distribution;
- G. A copy of the constitution and/or bylaws of the organisation.

2. Since the organisation is a "Corporation" with financial activities and has been registered under the Ministry of Industry in its country of origin, we would like to receive concrete reasons and information to prove that it meets the requirements of a genuine human rights NGO, including confirmation that it is a non-profit organisation.

3. We would like to know clearly whether this organisation endorses the outcome of the 2001 Durban Review Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and related Intolerance as well as holding the 2009 Durban Review Conference or not?

4. Since we have noted some information including on the website of the organisation, substantiating that the Council has and continued to campaign for boycotting the Durban Review Conference, we would like to know how it can contribute to the objectives of the Durban Review Conference and its preparatory process?

5. We want to know why this organisation has not replied, in due time, to the Secretariat's communication concerning our objection to its accreditation.