



Permanent Mission of
Malaysia
to the United Nations



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Excellency,

I have the honour in my capacity as Chairman of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement to transmit to you the amendments by the Movement to the text that you circulated on 18 November 2005. The consultations and meetings by the two Co-Chairs on this issue has been very helpful in seeking to resolve the differences that emerged through the options paper and this draft resolution.

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The Non-Aligned Movement is cognizant of the target to establish the Peacebuilding Commission by 31 December 2005 as envisaged by our leaders in the World Summit Outcome Document and continues to work towards realizing this target. The text was a good basis for us to move on, however the Non-Aligned Movement is of the view that the text could be further strengthened by capturing the spirit and essence of the establishment of the Peacebuilding Commission. The paper attached herewith seeks to bridge the differences in the establishment of the Peacebuilding Commission.

We once again would like to commend you and your co-chairs for the good work thus far and will continue to work closely with you and the Co-Chairs.

Yours sincerely,

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AMENDMENTS BY THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT

Informal Consultations of the General Assembly on the Peacebuilding Commission co-Chaired
by the Permanent Representatives of Denmark and the United Republic of Tanzania

18 November 2005

DRAFT RESOLUTION

The General Assembly,

PP1. Guided by the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations (moved from PP3)

PP2. *Reaffirming the 2005 World Summit Outcome*

PP3. *Recalling* in particular paragraphs 97 to 105 of that resolution, containing the decision of Heads of State and Government which established a Peacebuilding Commission as an intergovernmental advisory body,

PP4. *Recognizing* that development, **justice**, peace and security and human rights are interlinked and mutually reinforcing,

PP5. *Emphasizing* the need for a coordinated, coherent and integrated approach to post conflict peacebuilding and reconciliation with a view to achieving sustainable peace **in the countries emerging from conflict**,

PP6. *Recognizing* the need for a dedicated institutional mechanism to address the special needs of countries emerging from conflict towards recovery, reintegration and reconstruction and to assist them in laying the foundation for sustainable development,

PP7. *Recognizing also* the vital role of the United Nations in assisting **countries emerging from conflict** towards recovery, reconstruction and development, and to mobilize sustained international attention and assistance

PP8. *Reaffirming the* respective responsibilities and functions of the United Nations organs as defined in the Charter, and the need to enhance the coordination among these organs, **and emphasizing the need for a balanced relationship between the Peacebuilding Commission and the principal organs of the United Nations in order to ensure its effectiveness, as well as to enhance the inter-linkage between development, security and human rights;**

PP9. *Affirming* the primary responsibility of national and transitional governments and authorities of the countries emerging from conflict or at risk of relapsing into conflict, in identifying their priorities and strategies for post-conflict peacebuilding, with a view to ensuring national ownership **of the peacebuilding process,**

PP10 *Emphasizing,* in that regard, the importance of ensuring national ownership by supporting national efforts to establish, redevelop or reform institutions for effective administration of the country, including capacity building efforts,

PP11. *Stressing* the need for sustained international support for the efforts and capacity building for regional and sub-regional arrangements in carrying out post-conflict peacebuilding activities in their region,

PP12. *Recognizing* that countries that have experienced post-conflict recovery could make valuable contributions to the work of the Peacebuilding Commission,

PP12 bis Recognizing the role of the member states supporting the peace-keeping and peace-building efforts of the United Nations through financial, troop and civilian police contributions,

PP13. *Recognizing* the important contribution of civil society organizations, including women's organizations, to peacebuilding efforts,

PP14. *Reaffirming* the important role of women in peacebuilding, and stressing the importance of their equal participation and full involvement in all effort for the maintenance and promotion of peace and security, and the need to increase their role in decision-making,

PP14bis. *Emphasizing* that the principles of the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of States and non-intervention in matters that are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State is crucial which shall be strictly observed in the peacebuilding process;

1. *Decides* in accordance with articles 7 and 22 of the Charter, to operationalize the decision by the World Summit, to establish the Peacebuilding Commission as an intergovernmental advisory body;

FUNCTIONS

2. *Decides* that the following shall be the main purposes of the Peace-building Commission:

(i) To bring together all relevant actors to marshal resources and to advise on and propose integrated strategies for post-conflict peacebuilding and recovery;

(ii) To focus attention on the reconstruction and institution-building efforts necessary for recovery from conflict and support the development of integrated strategies in order to lay

the foundation for sustainable development;

(iii) To provide recommendations and information to improve the coordination of all relevant actors within and outside the United Nations, develop best practices, help to ensure predictable financing for early recovery activities and extend the period of attention by the international Community to post-conflict recovery;

COMPOSITION

3. *Decides* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall meet in various configurations;

4. *Decides* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall have a standing Organizational Committee responsible for developing its procedures and organizational matters.

5. *Decides* that the General Assembly will elect the members of the Organizational Committee, **while ensuring that no member shall offer itself for consideration in more than one category, and** giving due consideration to equitable geographical distribution, as follows:

(i) **Twelve members who are also members of the General Assembly;**

(ii) Seven members who are also members of the Security Council;

(iii) Seven members who are also members of the Economic and Social Council;

(iv) Five providers of assessed contributions to the United Nations budgets and voluntary contributions to the United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including the standing Peacebuilding Fund, from the thirty top providers according to a list provided by the Secretary-General, based on the average annual contributions in the previous three calendar years from which statistical data are available;

(v) Five providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions from the thirty top providers according to a list provided by the Secretary-General, based on the average monthly contributions in the previous three calendar years from which statistical data are available;

6. *Decides* that members of the Organizational Committee shall serve on the Committee for a term of two years; fresh elections will be held to elect new members to the Organisational Committee to fill the vacancies created as a result of completion of tenures in the Security Council and the ECOSOC;

7. *Decides* that country-specific meetings of the Commission, upon invitation of the Organizational Committee referred to in paragraph 4, shall include as members, in addition to members of the Organizational Committee, representatives from

(i) The country under consideration;

(ii) Countries in the region that are affected by the conflict in the country under consideration with the consent of the country under consideration and other countries that are involved in relief efforts and/or political dialogue, as well as relevant regional and sub-regional organizations

(iii) The major financial, troop and civilian police contributors involved in the recovery effort;

(iv) The senior United Nations representative in the field and other relevant United Nations representatives;

(v) Such regional and international financial institutions as may be relevant;

8. *Decides* that a representative of the Secretary-General shall be invited to participate in all meetings of the Peacebuilding Commission;

9. *Decides* that representatives from the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and other institutional donors shall be invited to participate in all meetings of the Peacebuilding Commission in a manner suitable to their governing arrangements;

10. *Decides further* that at least three countries with recent, post-conflict, peacebuilding experience **shall take part in all Organizational Committee and country-specific meetings of the Peacebuilding Commission;**

PROCEDURES

11. *Emphasizes* that the Peacebuilding Commission, **in country specific situation** shall work in cooperation with national or transitional authorities, where possible, in the country under consideration with a view to ensuring national ownership of the peacebuilding process;

12. *Emphasizes also* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall, where applicable, work in close consultation with regional and sub-regional organizations to ensure their involvement in the peacebuilding process in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter;

13. *Decides* that the Organizational Committee shall, taking due consideration to maintaining a balance in addressing situations in **countries** different regions of the world in accordance with the main purposes of the Peacebuilding Commission as stipulated above, determine the agenda of the Peacebuilding Commission **stipulated in paragraph 2** based on the following:

(i) **Requests for advice and support by Member States emerging from conflict or in exceptionally difficult circumstances on the verge of relapsing into conflict;**

(ii) **Requests for advice on Country-specific situations from the General Assembly, Security Council and ECOSOC as appropriate, and in accordance with their respective mandates under the Charter of the United Nations;**

(iii) Requests for advice by the Secretary-General **on urgent situation**;

14. *Invites* the relevant principal organs of the UN to take action on the advice of the Peacebuilding Commission in accordance with their respective responsibilities as set out in the Charter;

15. *Invites* all other relevant UN and other bodies and actors, including the international financial institutions, to take action on the advice of the Peacebuilding Commission, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates;

16. *Decides* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall make the outcome of its discussions and recommendations publicly available as United Nations documents to all relevant bodies and actors, including the international financial institutions

17. *Decides also* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall submit an annual report to the General Assembly and that the General Assembly shall hold an annual debate to review the report **and to provide comments and recommendations, as deemed necessary, thereon**;

20. *Decides* that the Peacebuilding Commission shall act in all matters on the basis of consensus of its members;

21. *Notes* the importance of participation of regional and local actors **and** the importance of adopting flexible working methods, including use of video-conference, meetings outside of New York, and other modalities to provide for the active participation of those most relevant to the Peacebuilding Commission's deliberations;

22. *Calls upon* the Peacebuilding Commission to integrate a gender perspective into all its **advice**;

23. *Encourages* the Peacebuilding Commission to consult with **relevant international organizations**, civil society organizations, including women's organizations, engaged in peacebuilding activities, as appropriate;

24. *Recommends* that the activities of the Peacebuilding Commission in a country specific situation shall be terminated **upon request by the national authorities of the country under consideration in consultation with the Peacebuilding Commission** when foundations for sustainable peace and development are established or upon the request by national authorities of the country under consideration;

PEACEBUILDING SUPPORT OFFICE

25. *Reaffirms* the request to the Secretary-General to establish, within the Secretariat and from within existing resources, a small peacebuilding support office staffed by qualified experts to assist and support the Peacebuilding Commission and drawing upon the best expertise available, **and decided that the Peacebuilding Support Office shall provide the Peacebuilding Commission with the following assistance and support:**

- (i) comprehensive overview of assessed, voluntary, grant-based and other financing sources for post-conflict peacebuilding activities;**
- (ii) substantive support in addressing country-specific national peacebuilding strategies and priorities, as well as providing account of the planning for related United Nations in-country operations;**
- (iii) periodic assessments of progress towards meeting short and medium-term recovery goals, including assessment of existing coordination between all national, bilateral, regional or multilateral post-conflict peacebuilding efforts;**
- (iv) systematic advices on best practices with respect to cross-cutting peacebuilding issues;**

PEACEBUILDING FUND

26. Reaffirms the request to the Secretary-General to establish a multi-year standing Peacebuilding Fund for post-conflict peacebuilding, funded by voluntary contributions and taking due account of existing instruments and with the objective to ensure the immediate release of resources needed to launch peacebuilding activities and the availability of appropriate financing for recovery;

26bis. Emphasizes that, in fulfillment of its objective, the Peacebuilding Fund shall focus on the most immediate requirements for national capacity and institution-building programmes enabling the country under consideration to acquire, as early as possible, national ownership of short and medium-term recovery and peacebuilding activities, *stresses*, in this context, the need to determine eligibility for funding based on related **nationally identified priorities;**

26ter. Invites the Secretary-General, in view of paragraphs 26 and 26bis above, to ensure that the proposed governance arrangement for the Peacebuilding Fund will:

- (i) draw on best practices of similar funding mechanisms within and outside the UN system,**
- (ii) involve the national/transitional government of the country under consideration and its implementing partners in the decision-making process, so as to ensure transparency and synergy in the implementation of funded activities;**

26quarter. Requests the Secretary-General to report periodically to the Peacebuilding Commission on the activities of the Peacebuilding Fund;

26quint. Decides that the annual report by the Peacebuilding Commission to the General Assembly shall include a section dedicated to the activities of the Peacebuilding Fund over the reporting period;

ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

27. *Decides to elect the members of the Organizational Committee as mentioned in paragraph 4* to enable the Secretary-General to convene the first constituting meeting of the Organizational Committee **with a view to operationalise the Peacebuilding Commission by 31 December 2005;**

REVIEW

28. *Decides* that the arrangements set out above will be **reviewed** five years after the adoption of this resolution with a view to ensuring that they are appropriate to fulfill the agreed functions of the Peacebuilding Commission. Amendments to this resolution, **as result of the review process**, should be adopted by resolutions of the General Assembly.