

**Briefing by H.E. Mr. Thomas Mayr-Harting,
Chairman of the Security Council Committee
established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999)
concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and
Associated Individuals and Entities,
to the Security Council on 13 November 2009**

(Comprehensive version)

I. Introduction

Ten years after the adoption of Security Council resolution 1267, the threat posed by Al-Qaida and the Taliban persists, both worldwide and especially in South Asia. At the same time, over the years this threat has evolved considerably and we must ensure that the existing sanctions regime against Al-Qaida and the Taliban remains a relevant and effective tool in countering terrorism. The current review pursuant to resolution 1822 (2008) is an effective instrument to ensure that the Committee's "Consolidated List" of individuals and entities associated with Al-Qaida and the Taliban remains dynamic and accurately reflects the current threat.

II. Review pursuant to paragraph 25 of Security Council resolution 1822 (2008)

1. As you are well aware, in paragraph 25 of resolution 1822 (2008) the Security Council directed the Committee to review all 488 names on the Consolidated List as at the date of the adoption of that resolution (30 June 2008) to ensure that the information is as accurate as possible and that the listings remain appropriate. The review process is one of the key priorities of the Committee and a main focus of its work.
2. In my last briefing to the Security Council in May, I outlined the procedure for the review as set out in Section 9 of the Committee's Guidelines. Today, I would like to report on the ()TjTT2 6(S)7.2(ecti070.0394 Tw{e proced65 0 so far,0.1J18.9s05 Tc0.247 Tw{nsolidate2(ecti0790.0

remains appropriate. It does so on the basis of the “associated with” criteria for listing set out in relevant resolutions. The Committee also considers updating the Consolidated List and/or narrative summaries on the basis of the additional information provided.

5. During the review process, occasionally the need for further information or clarification becomes apparent, and the Committee and the Monitoring Team use this opportunity to engage with reviewing States in an effort to resolve any questions that have arisen. Such follow-up discussions reinforce the review process and they also serve to improve the quality of the list.
6. At the time of my last briefing, the first five names had been placed on the Committee’s agenda. As of today, the Committee has discussed a total of 71 entries: In 50 cases the listing was confirmed to remain appropriate, while 8 names, including well-known cases such as Vinck and Sayadi, Nada and Barakaat, have been de-listed as a result of their review pursuant to resolution 1822 (2008). For 13 names the review is still pending as the Committee is of the view that further information is necessary

12. Since the beginning of this year, a total of 164 narrative summaries have been approved for publication on the Committee's website. The Monitoring Team has prepared the first draft of another 294 narrative summaries which are currently being reviewed by the designating States. The narrative summaries are available in all six official languages of the United Nations.

IV. The Consolidated List

13. As of today, the Consolidated List has 504 entries: 397 individuals (255 associated with Al-Qaida and 142 associated with the Taliban) and 107 entities associated with Al-Qaida. Since my last briefing, the Committee has added to the List the names of five individuals associated with Al-Qaida. During the same period, the Committee approved the delisting of nine entries (five individuals and four entities), 8 in the framework of the review. I would like to underscore that, apart from the review pursuant to resolution 1822 (2008), listed individuals and entities continue to have access to the Focal Point for delisting as set out in the annex to resolution 1730 (2006). *The Committee also approved amendments to 40 entries on the List. The Consolidated List remains one of the most important instruments available to the United Nations in its efforts to counter terrorism, and*

Committee is currently discussing the possibility of a more flexible procedure for the delisting of deceased persons where no assets are identified. At the same time we are addressing the question of how best to ensure that the remaining assets of deceased persons will not fall into the hands of other listed persons. The review is an ideal opportunity to check these entries, add additional identifiers or to remove names from the

with Mr. Scheinin on issues related to the fairness and clearness of the Committee's procedures, in particular regarding listing and de-listing.

22. Since my last briefing, I made two trips in my function as Chairman of the Committee, pursuant to paragraph 37 of resolution 1822 (2008). In June 2009, upon invitation by the Russian Federation, I participated in a meeting

around the world that certain individuals and entities are subject to Security Council sanctions measures; and b) to improve the accuracy of the Consolidated List. As of today, the Committee has worked with INTERPOL