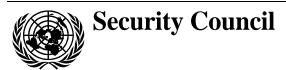
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Note by the President of the Security Council

With a view to establishing a coherent, inclusive and consistent practice regarding participation in private meetings of the Security Council and consultation meetings with troop-contributing countries under the terms of resolution 1353 (2001), annexes II.A and II.B respectively, members of the Security Council have decided that actors listed in annex II.B, paragraph 3 (c-h), wishing to participate in a specific meeting should make a request to the President of the Security Council.

Resolution 1353 (2001), annex II.B, paragraph 3, reads as follows:

- "3. The following parties will be invited to these meetings:
- (a) Countries contributing troops, military observers or civilian police to the peacekeeping operation;
- (b) Prospective troop-contributing countries as identified by the Secretary-General;
- (c) Relevant United Nations bodies and agencies, when they have specific contributions to make to the issue under discussion;
 - (d) Other bodies and agencies, as observers, as appropriate;
- (e) Countries that make special contributions, such as other civilian personnel, contributions to trust funds, logistics, equipment and facilities and other contributions, as appropriate;
 - (f) The host country/countries, as observers, as appropriate;
- (g) The representative of a regional or subregional organization or arrangement, contributing troops, as appropriate;
- (h) Regional organizations, as observers when not contributing troops, as appropriate".

On the basis of consultation with members of the Security Council, the President will extend an invitation, as appropriate, and instruct the Secretariat accordingly.