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The Arab Revolutions

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Whereas genuine revolutions continue to shake the Middle East and the people of this region are hungry for freedom and prosperity.

Considering that the Syrian people have suffered martyrdom (thousands dead, thousands injured and hundreds of thousands of exiled), because of the stubbornness of the criminal regime of Bashar al-Assad, and the alleged use of chemical weapons against the civilian population.

Considering the fact that neighbouring countries of Syria suffer the direct consequences of the conflict in terms of influx of refugees and economic deterioration.

Considering that the new government of Egypt should try to steer the country towards a more pluralist democratic system.

Considering the resumption of international negotiations to help resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The CDI:

Reaffirms its support for the struggles of the Arab peoples for democracy, pluralism and freedom.

Strongly supports the on-going negotiations for the solution of the Israeli- Palestinian conflict on the basis of the resolutions of the UN Security Council .

Condemns in the strongest manner the massacre of civilians by the regime of Bashar al-Assad and demand that all possible action under international law should be taken to end the violence.

Asks that support is provided for the Syrian people's quest for freedom, and demands respect for the will of the Syrian people to build a democratic and pluralistic regime.

Looks at the new Egyptian government and its effort to install a more democratic and pluralistic regime with hope and confidence. It calls on the international community to support this government's political and economic actions for the realization of this goal.

Reaffirms its commitment to work for democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of human rights and fundamental freedoms, the respect for human dignity, the principles of equality and solidarity and the respect for the principles of the UN Charter and the international law. These key principles must be highlighted constantly in any political or diplomatic initiative in the Middle East.

Insists that the protection of cultural, religious or ethnic minorities be recognized by national constitutions as a fundamental right. Specifically, the rights of Christian minorities in the Middle East - such as, for example, the Copt community in Egypt - must be fully guaranteed and respected by their respective governments.

Supports all efforts to ensure the necessary conditions for the effective implementation of women's rights and encourages all initiatives to promote gender equality and participation in decision-making processes in the countries concerned.