

RESOLUTION on

Countries in the MENA region (Middle East and North Africa)

Having regard to the changes in the MENA region and the opportunities for guiding the countries concerned into the path of democracy and progress,

the CDI:

- Condemns the behaviour of the government of Bashar al-Assad and the massacres perpetrated by his government against the civil population,
- Calls upon the United States of America and Russia to make every possible effort to encourage the participants to attend the Geneva II Conference on Syria and to come to a mutual understanding at national level with the aim of restoring peace and democracy,
- 3. Encourages the new forces for progress in Egypt to work for liberty and democracy in their country and to remain vigilant to prevent any sliding backwards, and to oppose any attempt to hijack the achievements of the Egyptian Revolution,
- 4. Supports all efforts made at local and international level to put an end to internal strife and to the bloodshed in the fighting that is tearing apart some countries of the Middle Eastern region and threatening their unity and the safety of their citizens, the protection of ethnic and religious minorities, especially in countries like Libya, Yemen and Bahrain.