

The United Nations Information Centers, as mandated, should keep up its role in disseminating information materials as the focal point through which these materials reach target audiences. In this regard, language is an important factor in ensuring that public information activities have a strong impact on the targeted population. As information presented in the local language is most effective, the DPI should continue its efforts to distribute resources effectively among activities in various languages. Information Centers

Mr. Chairman,

We support the increasing use of the advanced technology by the UN. We would in particular to commend the DPI for developing and maintaining the very useful website of the United Nations, which is a major communications tool for providing information to millions throughout the world. At the same time, performing this noble task, DPI should use reliable sources of information and even has to double-check it before publicizing any information item. In this regard I regret to inform this Committee of the fact that sub-titles of the photos, posted at the official web site of the United Nations (www.un.org), referred to the Nagorny Karabakh region of the Republic of Azerbaijan, as part of the Republic of Armenia (e.g., UN/DPI photo # 187639). We appreciate that this particular page has been removed from the web site as a result of our direct urgent contacts the United Nations Secretariat.

We deem it necessary to remind the fact that the Nagorny-Karabakh region is an inalienable part of the Republic of Azerbaijan — a fact reconfirmed by the Security Council resolutions