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Special Decisions or Action taken Re: Reporting, Including Urgent Action Procedure

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Chapter V: Review of the Implementation of the Convention in States Parties the Reports of Which are Seriously Overdue

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C. Action taken by the Committee to ensure submission of reports by States parties

55. At its forty-second session, the Committee, having emphasized that the delays in reporting by States parties hampered it in monitoring implementation of the Convention, decided that it would continue to proceed with the review of the implementation of the provisions of the Convention by States parties whose reports were overdue by five years or more. In accordance with a decision taken at its thirty-ninth session, the Committee agreed that this review would be based upon the last reports submitted by the State party concerned and their consideration by the Committee. At its forty-ninth session, the Committee further decided that States parties whose initial reports were overdue by five years or more would also be scheduled for a review of the implementation of the Convention. The Committee agreed that in the absence of an initial report, the Committee would consider all information submitted by the State party to other organs of the United Nations or, in the absence of such material, reports and information prepared by organs of the United Nations. In practice the Committee also considers relevant information from other sources, including from non-governmental organizations, whether it is an initial or periodic report that is seriously overdue.

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57. At its seventy-fifth session, the Committee decided to postpone the scheduled review of the implementation of the Convention in the Maldives, as the State party had submitted a report before the session. The Committee also decided to postpone the review scheduled in respect of Kuwait, in the light of a commitment received from the State party to finalize its reports in the near future.