PHILIPPINES

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B. Decisions adopted by the Committee at its ninth session

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374. The Committee had also received a detailed submission from a coalition of non-governmental organizations relating to alleged violations in the Philippines of the right to adequate housing contained in article 11 (1) of the Covenant. After considering the relevant information, the Committee decided that the information contained in the document was enough to give rise to concern that violations were occurring and that future measures might amount to further violations of the obligations contained in the Covenant. In order to pursue the matter, it asked its Chairperson to address a letter to the Government of the Philippines, requesting it to provide information in response to the document and preferably to do so in the context of a report on articles 10 to 12 to be submitted to the Committee as soon as possible, and in any event prior to its tenth session. It noted that, although the Philippines had been a party to the Covenant since 1976, it had yet to submit its initial report relating to articles 10 to 12. In relation to that request, the Committee specifically asked its Chairperson to draw the attention of the Government of the Philippines to General Comment number 4 adopted by the Committee in 1991.