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Claims For Which Established Filing
Deadlines Are Extended

1. The established filing deadlines are extended for the following claims:
 - a) Claims of individuals under the criteria for expedited processing of urgent claims (S/AC.26/1991/1), and the criteria for processing claims of individuals not otherwise covered (S/AC.26/1991/7/Rev.1) for losses and personal injuries resulting from public health and safety risks that occur after or within one year prior to the expiration of the established filing deadlines: These claims should be submitted to the Commission within one year of the date of such loss or injury, but no later than the time limit to be established pursuant to paragraph 2 of this decision.
 - b) Claims of individuals under the criteria for expedited processing of urgent claims (S/AC.26/1991/1), and the criteria for processing of claims of individuals not otherwise covered (S/AC.26/1991/7/Rev.1) who have been detained in Iraq until after or within one year prior to the expiration of the established filing deadlines: These claims, including claims for losses and personal injuries resulting from detention in Iraq, should be

submitted to the Commission within one year of the detainee's release or of the death of the detainee, as legally determined by the detainee's Government, but not later than the time limit to be established pursuant to paragraph 2 of this decision.

c) Claims under the criteria for processing claims of Governments and international organizations (S/AC.26/1991/7/Rev.1) for losses resulting from environmental damage: These claims should be submitted to the Commission no later than 1 February 1997.

2. When the Executive Secretary determines that the processing of all remaining claims before the panels of Commissioners is likely to take no more than one year to complete, he should so notify the Governing Council. The Governing Council should thereupon establish the final time limit for the submission of claims covered by paragraphs 1(a) and 1(b) of this decision. The Governing Council should establish the final time limit at its next meeting after receiving such notification and should allow at least three additional months from the date of its decision for the filing of the claims.

3. In submitting claims pursuant to this decision, Governments must include in their affirmation pursuant to paragraph 14 (1)(c) of the Provisional Rules for Claims Procedure (S/AC.26/1992/10) that such claims are ones for which an extended deadline has been granted. In addition, individual claimants filing claims in these categories must include with their claim forms statements explaining the circumstances as to why they were unable to file their claims within the previously established deadlines.

4. Claims covered by this decision should be submitted at the earliest possible time within the time limits established by the Governing Council. The Commission should thereupon give consideration to such claims as provided for in the applicable criteria.

5. The Governing Council may consider the extension of established filing deadlines for other categories of claims if, in the future, additional situations are identified.
