



# Member review report

## Resolution by the Presidency on the review of members

At the UNPO Presidency Meeting in Brussels, February 1-3th, 2007, the issue of communication with members was discussed. The secretariat, on request by the Presidency, presented a list of members with which UNPO had no contact for at least two years. The subsequent debate resulted in the following resolution:

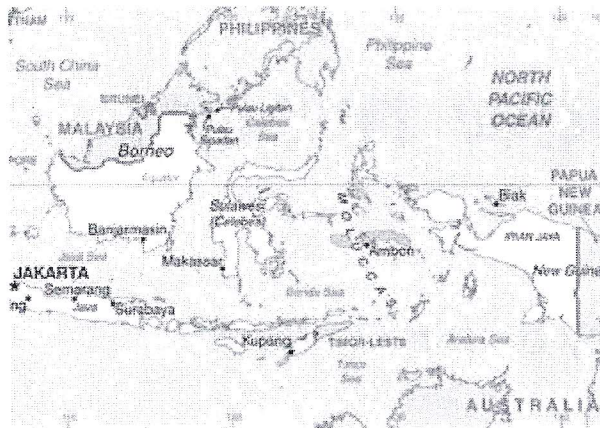
*Decision: Intensify contacts with members. Issue is to be dealt with by asking for justification of inactive members. If no response is given by inactive members within 3 months of request, UNPO is to start suspension procedures. Within an additional 3 months of suspension procedures if no contact is still made, UNPO is to commence with withdrawal of membership. Membership withdrawals are later to be ratified by the General Assembly.*

## Review of the UNPO members

The list below gives an overview of the members that are under review and which are presented in this document:

1. South Moluccas
2. Cordillera
3. Circassia

# South Moluccas



## Admitted

6 August 1991

## Organization that represents the People in UNPO

The Republic of the South Moluccas, the Republik Maluku Selatan (RMS)

## Person representing the organization

Mr. John Wattilete

## Activities of the organization

The RMS is a government in exile in the Netherlands of Moluccans who moved from Indonesia to the Netherlands in 1950. Since then they advocated for an independent South Moluccan State. The RMS was actively involved in UNPO activities in the 1990's. However, the RMS has not been very active in the past years. One of the reasons for this is the conflict within the organization about the leadership positions and the finances. At the moment several people claim to represent the RMS while none of them has a large following among the community

## Willingness to cooperate within UNPO

There have been many attempts at restarting activities with the RMS over the past five years. Several representatives participated in Speak Out trainings and they also contributed to a side event in Geneva on Indonesia organized by UNPO in March 2014. However, they do not respond to requests for membership fee or show any interest in UNPO's activities.

## Overview of Membership Fee payments

The RMS hasn't paid the member fees since 2009