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Report by the Standing Committee*

Corrigendum

Page 8, paragraph 34

The paragraph should read:

One delegation reiterated its request for a census and registration of the populations in the Tindouf camps, recalling that UNHCR and WFP had established their number at 90,000, and that the 35,000 additional rations had been added because of the floods. It considered it necessary to undertake an evaluation of the real numbers through an actual census in the camps, which would enable an adequation of the assistance required. **

* Report adopted by the Standing Committee at its resumed meeting on 7 October 2008.

Page 8, paragraph 35

The paragraph should read:

One delegation expressed concern about the precarious living conditions of the Sahrawi refugees in the Tindouf camps and the inadequacy of the food rations in relation to the number of refugees, in spite of the increase from 90,000 to 125,000 rations. The registration of these refugees is indissociable from the mandate of MINURSO and should not serve as a pretext for avoiding a humanitarian obligation. **

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Insert the following footnote:

** The High Commissioner's Office has clarified that UNHCR has no way to determine the exact number of refugees presently staying in Tindouf, and that all quoted figures refer to the number of rations effectively distributed.

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