- a need for NGO participation in Security Council work,
- greater transparency of the Security Council,
- a desire to advance Human Security interests,
- a need to examine the impact of sanctions on civilians,
- strengthen early warning and peacekeeping capacities.

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Your comments and suggestions are most welcome. Please keep in touch on United Nations, Human Security and your other foreign policy interests.

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