Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decisions 2020/205 of 3 April 2020 and 2020/219 of 24 June 2020 authorizing the Council to adopt decisions through silence procedure, the Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies, effective 21 July 2020.

Elections and outstanding vacancies

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected Nepal, by acclamation, to the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-fifth session, in 2022.

The Council also elected Canada, by acclamation, to the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-seventh session in 2024.

The Council further postponed the election to the Commission of one member from the Asia-Pacific States, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-fourth session in 2021; one member from the African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-fifth session in 2022; and one member from the African States and one member from the Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-seventh session in 2024.

Commission for Social Development

The Council elected North Macedonia, by acclamation, to the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s sixty-second session in 2024.

The Council further postponed the election to the Commission of one member from the Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission in 2021; one member from the Asia-Pacific States for a term beginning on 1 January 2021; one member from the African States and one member from the Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on 1 January 2021; and one member from the African States, two members from the Eastern European States and four members from the Western European and other States for a term beginning at the first meeting of the sixtieth session of the Commission in 2021 and expiring at the close of the sixty-third session of the Commission in 2025.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected Brazil, by acclamation, to the Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2021.

The Council further postponed the election to the Commission of one member from the African States and one member from the Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2021.

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected Hennebel Ludovic (Belgium), by acclamation, to the Committee for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2022.

The Council further postponed the election to the Committee of a member from the Asia-Pacific States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children’s Fund

The Council elected Argentina, Belgium, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, Liberia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Slovakia and the United States of America, by acclamation, to the Executive Board for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2021.

The Council also elected Finland and Australia, by acclamation, to the Executive Board for a term beginning on 1 January 2021.

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1 The proposals detailing the candidatures and terms for the election of members, under a two-step silence procedure in July 2020, to each Council subsidiary body for which the number of candidatures was equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled for all the regional categories, and for which no objection was raised pursuant to rule 68 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, was before the Council in conference room papers E/2020/CRP.7-12, available on Candiweb.
and expiring on 31 December 2021, to replace Canada and Spain, respectively, which were resigning their seats effective 31 December 2020.

The Council further elected Italy, by acclamation, to the Executive Board for a term beginning on 1 January 2021 and expiring on 31 December 2022, to replace Ireland which was resigning its seat effective 31 December 2020.

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected Poland, by acclamation, to the Executive Board for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2021.