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Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 12th plenary meeting, on 23 April 2014, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in the subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected the following six Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission’s forty-ninth session, to be held in 2015, and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-second session, to be held in 2019: Belarus, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Burundi, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Philippines and Sierra Leone.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission’s forty-ninth session and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-second session.

The Council also elected the following members to fill outstanding vacancies on the Commission for terms beginning on the date of election: Nigeria for a term expiring at the close of the Commission’s fiftieth session, in 2017; and Argentina, China, Dominican Republic, Germany, Malaysia, Mongolia, Peru, Russian Federation and Serbia for terms expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-first session, in 2018.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Asia-Pacific States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States, both for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s forty-ninth session, in 2016; and one member from Asia-Pacific States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fiftieth session, in 2017.

Commission for Social Development

The Council elected the following four Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission’s fifty-fourth session, to be held in 2015, and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-seventh session, to be held in 2019: Algeria, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Colombia and Mexico.

The Council postponed the election of three members from African States, three members from Asia-Pacific States, one member from Eastern European States and three members from Western European and other States, all for terms beginning at the first meeting of the Commission’s fifty-fourth session and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-seventh session.

The Council also elected France, Switzerland and Turkmenistan to fill outstanding vacancies on the Commission for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission’s fifty-fifth session, in 2017.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from Western European and other States, both for terms beginning on the date of election, with one term expiring at the close of the fifty-fourth session and one term expiring at the close of the fifty-fifth session.

Commission on the Status of Women
The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission’s sixtieth session, to be held in 2015, and expiring at the close of the Commission’s sixty-third session, to be held in 2019: Albania, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, Equatorial Guinea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Liberia, Liechtenstein, Malawi, Mongolia and Spain.

**Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice**

The Council elected the following 20 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015: Canada, China, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Germany, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Liberia, Mauritius, Morocco, Qatar, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Thailand and Zimbabwe.

**Commission on Science and Technology for Development**

The Council elected the following 15 Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and: Angola, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), China, Côte d’Ivoire, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Latvia, Mauritania, Mauritius, Pakistan, Sweden, Thailand, Uganda and United States of America.

The Council postponed the election of two members from Eastern European States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States, all for terms beginning on 1 January 2015.

The Council also elected Turkmenistan to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2016.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2016.

**Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

The Council elected the following 19 Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2018: Azerbaijan, Burundi, China, Cuba, Greece, Guinea, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Mauritania, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sudan, Turkey, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

**Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting**

The Council elected the following five Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2017: Cameroon, China, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi and Russian Federation.

The Council postponed the election of three members from African States, one member from Asia-Pacific States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States and nine members from Western European and other States, all for terms beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2017.

The Council took note of the 17 outstanding vacancies on the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts: one from Asia-Pacific States and eight from Western European and other States for terms expiring on 31 December 2014; and four from Asia-Pacific States, two from Eastern European States and two from Latin American and Caribbean States for terms expiring on 31 December 2015, all for terms beginning on the date of election.
Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Committee elected the following nine experts for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2018: Aslan Abashidze (Russian Federation), Clément Atangana (Cameroon), Maria Virginia Bras Gomes (Portugal), Chandrashekhar Dasgupta (India), Olivier De Schutter (Belgium), Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria), Renato Zerbini Ribeiro Leão (Brazil), Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea) and Rodrigo Uprimny Yepes (Colombia).

Executive Board of the United Nations Children’s Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2017: Bangladesh, Belarus, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Cuba, Eritrea, Finland, Japan, Norway, Republic of Korea and United States of America.

The Council also elected the following Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning from their seats effective 1 January 2015: Australia to complete the term of office of New Zealand (expiring 31 December 2015), Canada to complete the term of office of Denmark (expiring 31 December 2015) and Spain to complete the term of office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (expiring 31 December 2016).

Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Council elected Afghanistan, Belarus, Czech Republic, Latvia, Peru, Senegal and Slovakia to fill the seven new seats on the Executive Committee, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 68/142 of 18 December 2013.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015 and expiring on 31 December 2017: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Denmark, Guinea, India, Libya, Russian Federation, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Yemen.

The Council also elected the following Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2015: Iceland to complete the term of office of France (expiring 31 December 2015), Japan to complete the term of office of Switzerland (expiring 31 December 2015), Spain to complete the term of office of Finland (expiring 31 December 2015) and Italy to complete the term of office of Ireland (expiring 31 December 2016).

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Resignation of members from the regional category, in accordance with Council resolution 2010/35

The Council elected the following Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2015: Germany to complete the term of office of New Zealand (expiring 31 December 2015), Turkey to complete the term of office of Iceland (expiring 31 December 2015), Israel to complete the term of office of Australia (expiring 31 December 2016), Italy to complete the term of office of Spain (expiring 31 December 2016) and Portugal to complete the term of office of Liechtenstein (expiring 31 December 2016).
Resignation of members from the top 10 contributing countries, in accordance with paragraph 61 (a) of General Assembly resolution 64/289

The Council also elected the following Member States to replace the members of the Executive Board who were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2015: Denmark to complete the term of office of Norway (expiring 31 December 2016) and Spain to complete the term of office of Sweden (expiring 31 December 2016).

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following five Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015: Japan, Panama, Republic of Korea, Swaziland and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council postponed the election of one member from List E for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015.

International Narcotics Control Board

The Council decided, for this particular election, to reverse the sequence of election of members of the Board so that the election of five members from among candidates nominated by Governments would be held first.

The Council decided to postpone until its coordination and management meetings to be held in June 2014 the election of one member of the Board from among candidates nominated by the World Health Organization.

The Council elected the following five members for a five-year term beginning on 2 March 2015: Bernard Leroy (France), Jagjit Pavadia (India), Viroj Sumyai (Thailand), Francisco Thoumi (Colombia) and Jallal Toufiq (Morocco).

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

The Council elected Brazil and Burundi for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Asia-Pacific States and two members from Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015.

The Council elected Luxembourg for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2015, to complete the term of office of Belgium, which resigned its seat on the Programme Coordinating Board effective 1 January 2014.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected the following 12 Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2015: Argentina, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, Gabon, Ghana, Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovakia, Uruguay, United States of America and Zimbabwe.

The Council postponed the election of four members from Asia-Pacific States, one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2015.

The Council elected Belarus and Romania to fill outstanding vacancies on the Governing Council for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2016.
The Council further postponed the election of two members from Eastern European States and one member from Western European and other States for terms expiring on 31 December 2015; and two members from Western European and other States for terms expiring on 31 December 2016, all for terms beginning on the date of election.

Nominations

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated the following 13 Member States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015: Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cuba, Equatorial Guinea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Namibia, Ukraine, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

The Council postponed the nomination of three members from Asia-Pacific States and four members from Western European and other States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2015.

The Council also nominated the Republic of Korea for election by the General Assembly to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Committee for a term beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2016.

The Council postponed the nomination of three members from Western European and other States, two terms expiring on 31 December 2014 and one term expiring on 31 December 2015, all for terms beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly.