## Decision 2016/205

## Distribution of seats among the eight experts nominated by Member States to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

At its 5th plenary meeting, on 12 November 2015, the Economic and Social Council, recalling its decision 2001/316 of 26 July 2001 related to the election of the eight experts nominated by Member States for membership in the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, decided to conduct future triennial elections to the Forum, starting with the elections to be held at its coordination and management meeting to be held in April 2016, in accordance with the following distribution of seats among the regional groups, with due regard for the distribution of indigenous peoples among the countries of each of the regional groups:
(a) One seat for African States;
(b) One seat for Asia-Pacific States;
(c) One seat for Eastern European States;
(d) One seat for Latin American and Caribbean States;
(e) One seat for Western European and other States;
(f) Three seats to rotate, on a recurring basis, among the five regional groups in accordance with the following pattern:

| Election 1 | Election 2 | Election 3 | Election 4 | Election 5 |
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| Latin American <br> and Caribbean | African States | Western European <br> and other States | Eastern European <br> States | Asia-Pacific <br> States |
| Western Europe | Eastern European | Asia-Pacific | Latin American and <br> Caribbean States | African States |
| and other States | States | States | Western European | Eastern <br> Asia-Pacific |
| Latin American and <br> Caribbean States | African States | and other States | European States |  |

