

RESUMED ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION FOR 1997

1997/212 B. Elections to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council, appointments, nominations and confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions

1. At its 3rd and 4th plenary meetings, on 1 May 1997, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

STATISTICAL COMMISSION

The following eight Member States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BOTSWANA, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, GERMANY, ICELAND, RUSSIAN FEDERATION and TUNISIA.

COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The following fifteen Member States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: CHINA, INDIA, JAMAICA, MALAWI, MEXICO, NIGER, NIGERIA, PHILIPPINES, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SOUTH AFRICA, SWEDEN, UKRAINE, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THAILAND was elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998 and two members for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The following twenty-four Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BANGLADESH, BHUTAN, BOTSWANA, CANADA, CHILE, CONGO, CUBA, EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, INDIA, LUXEMBOURG, MOROCCO, NEPAL, PERU, PHILIPPINES, POLAND, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, RWANDA, SENEGAL, SRI LANKA, SUDAN, TUNISIA, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and VENEZUELA.

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The following thirteen Member States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BOLIVIA, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, CUBA, INDIA, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), LESOTHO, MALAYSIA, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, RWANDA, SAINT LUCIA, SRI LANKA, SUDAN and UGANDA.

COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The following twenty States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: AUSTRALIA, CHILE, CHINA, COLOMBIA, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, GHANA, JAPAN, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, LEBANON, MAURITIUS, MEXICO, ROMANIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SIERRA LEONE, SPAIN, SWITZERLAND, TURKEY, UKRAINE, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and URUGUAY.

COMMISSION ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The following twenty Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: ARGENTINA, BENIN, BOTSWANA, BRAZIL, CHINA, COSTA RICA, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, ECUADOR, FRANCE, GERMANY, INDIA, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), ITALY, MEXICO, POLAND, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, ROMANIA, SAUDI ARABIA, TOGO and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

The following twenty-four Member States were elected for a term beginning on 1 January 1998: ANGOLA, AUSTRIA, BENIN, CAMEROON, CHINA, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO,⁹ ETHIOPIA, GERMANY, GHANA, GUINEA, JAMAICA, MALAWI, MALTA, NAMIBIA, NETHERLANDS, PAKISTAN, QATAR, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, TUNISIA, UGANDA, UKRAINE, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

In accordance with its decision 1995/312 of 27 July 1995, the Council drew lots to determine the initial terms of office of the newly elected members from African States. It was thus decided that the following seven States would serve for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: ANGOLA, CAMEROON, GHANA, GUINEA, TUNISIA, UGANDA and UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA; the following six States would serve for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BENIN, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO,⁹ ETHIOPIA, MALAWI and NAMIBIA.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of eight members from Asian States, four members from Eastern European States, nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States and eight members from Western European and other States. The drawing of lots to determine the terms of office of members from these regional groups was also postponed until their membership was complete.

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The following seventeen Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: ALGERIA, BRAZIL, CÔTE D'IVOIRE, CZECH REPUBLIC,

⁹ The name of the Member State known formerly as Zaire was changed on 17 May 1997 to "Democratic Republic of the Congo".

DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA, FRANCE, HUNGARY, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), MAURITANIA, MAURITIUS, NEW ZEALAND, NICARAGUA, PERU, PHILIPPINES, PORTUGAL, SPAIN and SRI LANKA.

COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

BENIN and the UNITED ARAB EMIRATES were elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999; INDONESIA and VENEZUELA were elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

The following five Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BENIN, BULGARIA, CAMEROON, COMOROS and SIERRA LEONE.

GAMBIA was elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

The Council postponed to a future session the following elections:

(a) Four members from Asian States, one member from Eastern European States and three members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998;

(b) One member from African States and two members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1997;

(c) Two members from Asian States, two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Council elected Siripong Hungspreug (Thailand) for a term beginning on the date of election.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of one expert from Asian States, one expert from Eastern European States and two experts from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election.

The terms of the members will be determined by lot once the membership is complete.

COMMITTEE ON NEW AND RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY AND ON ENERGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

It was decided that QATAR would nominate an expert for a term beginning on the date of election.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of six experts from African States and two experts from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election.

The terms of the members will be determined by lot once the membership is complete.

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND

The following fourteen Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, AZERBAIJAN, BANGLADESH, COMOROS, CONGO, FINLAND, JAPAN, KAZAKHSTAN, LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA, NORWAY, SOUTH AFRICA, SUDAN, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and YEMEN.

DENMARK, ITALY and TURKEY will withdraw from the Board effective 1 January 1998 and will be replaced, respectively, by SWEDEN for a term expiring on 31 December 1998, GREECE for a term expiring on 31 December 1999 and FRANCE for a term expiring on 31 December 1998.

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME/UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND

The following fourteen Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BOTSWANA, CHINA, CZECH REPUBLIC, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO,⁹ DENMARK, FRANCE, GHANA, IRELAND, JAMAICA, LEBANON, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, SOUTH AFRICA, SPAIN and UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

SWITZERLAND will withdraw from the Board effective 1 January 1998 and will be replaced by CANADA for a term expiring on 31 December 1998.

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

The following six Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: FINLAND, INDONESIA, NORWAY, PAKISTAN, RUSSIAN FEDERATION and SIERRA LEONE.

The UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND will withdraw from the Board effective 1 January 1998 and will be replaced by SWEDEN for a term expiring on 31 December 1998.

COMMITTEE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS POPULATION AWARD

The following five Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), NETHERLANDS and THAILAND.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of three members from African States, one member from Eastern European States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD OF THE
JOINT AND CO-SPONSORED UNITED NATIONS
PROGRAMME ON HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY
VIRUS/ACQUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY
SYNDROME (HIV/AIDS)

The following eight States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BARBADOS, BELGIUM, CHINA, JAPAN, POLAND, SOUTH AFRICA, SWITZERLAND and UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

CANADA, FRANCE and NORWAY will withdraw from the Board effective 1 January 1998 and will be replaced, respectively, by AUSTRALIA for a term expiring on 31 December 1999, GERMANY for a term expiring on 31 December 1998 and DENMARK for a term expiring on 31 December 1999.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of one member from African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998.

Appointments

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNATIONAL
RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

The Council appointed Selma Acuner (Turkey), Zakia Amara Bouaziz (Tunisia), Norica Nicolai (Romania), Glenda P. Simms (Jamaica) and Amaryllis T. Torres (Philippines) for a three-year term beginning on 1 July 1997.

Nominations

COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME
AND COORDINATION

The following seven Member States were nominated for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998: BAHAMAS, FRANCE, MEXICO, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, UGANDA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and ZAMBIA.

The Council postponed to a future session the nomination of two members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

Confirmations

2. Also at its 4th plenary meeting, on 1 May 1997, the Council confirmed the nominations by their Governments of the following representatives on the functional commissions of the Council:

COMMISSION ON POPULATION
AND DEVELOPMENT

Rachida BENKHELIL	(Algeria)
Raj KARIM	(Malaysia)
Nam-Hoon CHO	(Republic of Korea)