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Elections and Appointments

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Decision text

A

At its 17th plenary meeting, on 5 April 2023, the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with its decision 2002/234 of 24 July 2002, elected, by acclamation, BANGLADESH, BELGIUM, BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF), BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, MALI, NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE) and SRI LANKA as members of the Commission on the Status of Women for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the Commission in 2024, and expiring at the close of the seventy-second session of the Commission in 2028.

The Council also elected, by secret ballot, ROMANIA to the Commission on the Status of Women for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the Commission, in 2024, and expiring at the close of the seventy-second session of the Commission, in 2028.

The newly elected members will fill vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, DENMARK, MEXICO, MONGOLIA, the PHILIPPINES, the RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SENEGAL, SOMALIA and SWITZERLAND.

The Council further elected the NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE), by acclamation, to the Commission on the Status of Women for the remainder of the term of office of DENMARK, beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-eighth session of the Commission, in 2024.

As a result, as of the first meeting of the Commission's sixty-ninth session in 2024, the Commission on the Status of Women is composed of the following 43 Member States: AFGHANISTAN*, ALGERIA**, ARGENTINA*, AUSTRIA*, BANGLADESH****, BELGIUM****, BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)****, BRAZIL****, CABO VERDE **, CHINA **, COLOMBIA****, COSTA RICA **, CÔTE D'IVOIRE*** , CUBA***, CZECHIA***, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO***, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC*, EGYPT **, INDIA*, ISRAEL*, JAPAN**, LATVIA*, LEBANON **, LIECHTENSTEIN***, MALI****, MAURITANIA **, MOROCCO*, MOZAMBIQUE***, NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE)****, NIGERIA*, PAKISTAN **, PANAMA **, PORTUGAL***, REPUBLIC OF KOREA***, ROMANIA****, SAUDI ARABIA***, SPAIN***, SRI LANKA****, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO **, TUNISIA **, TÜRKIYE *, UKRAINE *** and ZAMBIA*.

* Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-ninth session in 2025.

** Term of office expires at the close of the seventieth session in 2026.

*** Term of office expires at the close of the seventy-first session in 2027.

**** Term of office expires at the close of the seventy-second session in 2028.

As of 5 April 2023, the following two vacancies remain to be filled on the Commission: one vacancy from the Asia-Pacific States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the seventieth session of the Commission in 2026, and one vacancy from African States for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the Commission in 2024 and expiring at the close of the seventy-second session of the Commission in 2028.

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At its 26th plenary meeting, on 7 June 2023, the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with its decision 2002/234 of 24 July 2002, elected, by acclamation, RWANDA as a member of the Commission on the Status of Women for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the Commission in 2024, and expiring at the close of the seventy-second session of the Commission in 2028.

As a result, as of the first meeting of the Commission's sixty-ninth session in 2024, the Commission on the Status of Women is composed of the following 44 Member States: AFGHANISTAN*, ALGERIA**, ARGENTINA*, AUSTRIA*, BANGLADESH****, BELGIUM****, BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)****, BRAZIL****, CABO VERDE **, CHINA **, COLOMBIA****, COSTA RICA **, CÔTE D'IVOIRE*** , CUBA***, CZECHIA,***, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO***, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC*, EGYPT **, INDIA*, ISRAEL*, JAPAN**, LATVIA*, LEBANON **, LIECHTENSTEIN***, MALI****, MAURITANIA **, MOROCCO*, MOZAMBIQUE,***, NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE)****, NIGERIA*, PAKISTAN **, PANAMA **, PORTUGAL***, REPUBLIC OF KOREA***, ROMANIA****, RWANDA****, SAUDI ARABIA***, SPAIN***, SRI LANKA****, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO **, TUNISIA **, TÜRKIYE *, UKRAINE *** and ZAMBIA*.

* Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-ninth session in 2025.

** Term of office expires at the close of the seventieth session in 2026.

*** Term of office expires at the close of the seventy-first session in 2027.

**** Term of office expires at the close of the seventy-second session in 2028.

As of 7 June 2023, one vacancy remains to be filled from the Asia-Pacific States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the seventieth session of the Commission in 2026.