

Decision 2017/201 B

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

At its 18th plenary meeting, on 19 April 2017, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Council elected the following 15 Member States to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2021: **Afghanistan, Algeria, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czechia, India, Iraq, Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation and Togo.**

The Council also elected the following five Member States, by secret ballot, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2021: **Australia, Belgium, Canada, France and Switzerland.**

Statistical Commission

The Council elected the following seven Member States to the Statistical Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2021: **Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Netherlands, Peru, Russian Federation and South Africa.**

The Council postponed the election of one member from African States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2021.

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected the following 11 Member States to the Commission on Population and Development for a four-year term

beginning at the first meeting of the fifty-second session of the Commission, in 2018, and expiring at the close of its fifty-fifth session, in 2022: **Argentina, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, China, Colombia, Haiti, Mauritania, Russian Federation, United States of America and Vanuatu.**

The Council postponed the election of two members from African States, one member from Asia-Pacific States and two members from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the fifty-second session of the Commission, in 2018, and expiring at the close of its fifty-fifth session, in 2022.

The Council elected **Canada** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of its fifty-third session, in 2020.

The Council also elected **Denmark** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of its fifty-fourth session, in 2021.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from Asia-Pacific States and one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-fourth session of the Commission, in 2021.

Commission on the Status of Women

The Council elected the following 13 Member States to the Commission on the Status of Women, by secret ballot, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-third session of the Commission, in 2018, and expiring at the close of its sixty-sixth session, in 2022: **Algeria, Comoros, Congo, Ecuador, Ghana, Haiti, Iraq, Japan, Kenya, Nicaragua, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia and Turkmenistan.**

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

The Council elected the following 16 Member States to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020: **Afghanistan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Egypt, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan,**

Kenya, Mauritania, Russian Federation, Togo, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay.

The Council postponed the election of four members from African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.

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

The Council elected the following three Member States to the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020: **Côte d'Ivoire, Germany and Russian Federation.**

The Council postponed the election of four members from African States, three members from Asia-Pacific States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States and eight members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.

The Council elected **Belarus** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Working Group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2018.

The Council took note of the 20 outstanding vacancies on the Working Group for a term beginning on the date of election: four from African States, one from Asia-Pacific States, three from Latin American and Caribbean States and eight from Western European and other States for a term expiring on 31 December 2017; and two from Asia-Pacific States and two from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term expiring on 31 December 2018.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020: **Belarus, Brazil, Colombia, Ghana, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Republic of Korea, Sudan, Turkmenistan and United States of America.**

The Council also elected the following Member States for a term beginning on 1 January 2018 to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning from their seats effective 31 December 2017: **Austria**, to complete the term of office of Denmark (expiring on 31 December 2018); **Turkey**, to complete the term of office of Sweden (expiring 31 December 2018); and **Netherlands**, to complete the term of office of Spain (expiring on 31 December 2019).

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

The Council elected **Fiji, Lithuania and Paraguay** to fill the three new seats on the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/171 of 19 December 2016.

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 to the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020: **Antigua and Barbuda, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Egypt, Finland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.**

The Council also elected the following Member States for a term beginning on 1 January 2018 to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning from their seats effective 31 December 2017: **Canada**, to complete the term of office of Australia (expiring on 31 December 2018); and **Ireland and Luxembourg**, to complete the terms of office of Germany and the Netherlands, respectively (expiring on 31 December 2019).

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following five Member States to the Executive Board of the World Food Programme for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020:

China, Guatemala, Hungary, Japan and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council postponed the election of one member from List A¹ for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2020.

The Council elected the following Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning from their seats effective 31 December 2017: **Lesotho**, to complete the term of office of Swaziland (beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2017); **Colombia**, to complete the term of office of Mexico (beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2019); **Norway** and **Greece**, to complete the terms of office of Finland and Spain, respectively (beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2019); and **New Zealand**, to complete the term of office of the Netherlands (beginning on 1 January 2018 and expiring on 31 December 2018).

Outstanding vacancies from previous sessions Commission for Social Development

The Council elected **Bulgaria, France** and **Romania** to fill outstanding vacancies on the Commission for Social Development beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission, in 2021.

The Council also elected **Congo, Iceland** and **Senegal** to fill outstanding vacancies for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission, in 2020.

The Council was informed that the Republic of Moldova was resigning from its seat on the Commission for the term expiring at the close of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission, in 2020. The Council elected **Belarus** to complete the term of office of the Republic of Moldova, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission, in 2020.

The Council elected the **Republic of Moldova** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the

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date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission, in 2019.

The Council further postponed the election to fill five outstanding vacancies on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election, as follows: two members from Asia-Pacific States for a term expiring at the close of its fifty-ninth session, in 2021; and three from Western European and other States, two for a term expiring at the close of its fifty-ninth session, in 2021; and one for a term expiring at the close of its fifty-eighth session, in 2020.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected **Mexico** and **South Africa** to fill outstanding vacancies on the Commission on Science and Technology for Development for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020.

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

The Council elected the following Member States for a term beginning on 1 January 2018 to replace members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) who were resigning from their seats effective 31 December 2017: **Finland, Canada and Netherlands**, to complete the terms of office of Belgium, Denmark and France, respectively (expiring on 31 December 2019); and **Portugal and New Zealand**, to complete the terms of office of Germany and Luxembourg, respectively (expiring on 31 December 2018).

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected **Afghanistan** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements

Programme (UN-Habitat) for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020.

The Council further postponed the election to fill seven outstanding vacancies for a term beginning on the date of election, as follows: one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term expiring on 31 December 2020; and six from Western European and other States, two for a term expiring on 31 December 2018, one for a term expiring on 31 December 2019 and three for a term expiring on 31 December 2020.

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

The Council elected **Sweden** to the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission in accordance with Council resolution 2015/1 of 4 March 2015, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2018.