Elections and Appointments

2024/202 A and B

Election: Commission for Social Development

5 Dec 2023

9 Apr 2024 Plenary meeting

4th plenary meeting

12th plenary meeting

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At its 4th plenary meeting, on 5 December 2023, the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with its decision 2002/210 of 13 February 2002, elected, by acclamation, GUATEMALA and QATAR as members of the Commission for Social Development for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-third session of the Commission in 2024 and expiring at the close of the sixty-sixth session of the Commission in 2028.

As a result, as of the first meeting of the Commission's sixty-third session in 2024, the Commission for Social Development is composed of the following 36 Member States:

AFGHANISTAN*, AUSTRIA **, BANGLADESH **, BELARUS***, BRAZIL*, BURUNDI **, CHINA*, COLOMBIA **, COSTA RICA*, DJIBOUTI*, ECUADOR*, EGYPT **, FINLAND*, GHANA **, GUATEMALA***, GUINEA*, HAITI **, INDIA**, ISRAEL **, JAPAN***, LUXEMBOURG *, MADAGASCAR***, PERU **, POLAND*, PORTUGAL **, QATAR***, RUSSIAN FEDERATION***, SAUDI ARABIA **, SWITZERLAND*, TAJIKISTAN*, TOGO***, TURKMENISTAN*, UGANDA*, UKRAINE **, ZAMBIA* and ZIMBABWE***.

- * Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-third session in 2025
- ** Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-fifth session in 2027
- *** Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-sixth session in 2028

and expiring at the close of the sixty-sixth session of the Commission in 2028.

As of 5 December 2023, the following eleven vacancies remain to be filled on the Commission: one vacancy from Western European and other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-second session of the Commission in 2024, one vacancy from Eastern European States and one vacancy from Western European and other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-third session of the Commission in 2025, one vacancy from African States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-fifth session of the Commission in 2027, and one vacancy from the African States, one vacancy from the Asia-Pacific States, two vacancies from the Latin American and Caribbean States and three vacancies from the Western European and other States for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-third session of the Commission in 2024

At its 12th plenary meeting, on 9 April 2024, the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with its decision 2002/210 of 13 February 2002, elected, by acclamation, CHINA, CUBA, KENYA, KYRGYZSTAN, PARAGUAY, SENEGAL, SOUTH AFRICA, SURINAME, THAILAND and TURKMENISTAN as members of the Commission for Social Development for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-fourth session of the Commission in 2025 and expiring at the close of the sixty-seventh session in 2029 to fill vacancies occurring on the expiration of the terms of office of AFGHANISTAN, BRAZIL, CHINA, COSTA RICA, DJIBOUTI, ECUADOR, FINLAND, GUINEA, LUXEMBOURG, POLAND, SWITZERLAND, TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN, UGANDA and ZAMBIA.

The Council also elected, by acclamation, the ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN, as a member of the Commission for Social Development for a term of office beginning on 9 April 2024 and expiring at the close of the sixty-sixth session of the Commission in 2028.

As a result, as of the first meeting of the sixty-fourth session in 2025, the Commission for Social Development is composed of the following 32 Member States:

AUSTRIA *, BANGLADESH *, BELARUS**, BURUNDI *, CHINA***, COLOMBIA *, CUBA***, EGYPT *, GHANA *, GUATEMALA**, HAITI *, INDIA*, IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)**, ISRAEL *, IAPAN**, KENYA***, KYRGZYSTAN***, MADAGASCAR**, PARAGUAY***, PERU *, PORTUGAL *, QATAR**, RUSSIAN FEDERATION**, SAUDI ARABIA *, SENEGAL***, SOUTH AFRICA***, SURINAME***, THAILAND***, TOGO**, TURKMENISTAN***, UKRAINE *, and ZIMBABWE**.

* Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-fifth session in 2027

- ** Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-sixth session in 2028
- *** Term of office expires at the close of the sixty-seventh session in 2029

As of 9 April 2024, the following sixteen vacancies remain to be filled on the Commission: one for a member from Eastern European States and one for a member from Western European and other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-third session in 2025, one for a member from African States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-fifth session in 2027, and one for a member from African States, two for members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three for members from Western European and other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-sixth session in 2028; and one for a member from African States, two for members from Eastern European States, and four for members from Western European and other States for a four-year term of office beginning at the first meeting of the sixty-fourth session in 2025 and expiring at the close of the sixty-seventh session in 2029.