

# JOURNAL<sup>1</sup>

## Tuesday, 23 October 2012

Time	Meeting	Place
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Assembly</b> <b>Special Debate on <i>Citizenship, identity and linguistic and cultural diversity in a globalized world</i></b> ♦ Sitting introduced by Mr. Hendrik van der Pol, Director of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics, and Ms. Joyce Adeline Bamford-Addo, Speaker of the Parliament of Ghana	Room 200 C
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Special Gender Partnership Session</b> <b><i>Gender-sensitive parliaments</i></b> Both men and women parliamentarians are strongly encouraged to attend the Special Session.	Room 200 B
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Drafting Committee on the emergency item</b> Composition: Belgium, Burkina Faso, Canada, France, Mali, Nigeria, Peru, Uruguay	Room 205 A & B ( <i>in camera</i> )
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.	<b>Informal meeting of parliamentary whips</b>	Room 205 A & B
2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.	<b>Assembly</b> <b>Special Debate on <i>Citizenship, identity and linguistic and cultural diversity in a globalized world</i></b> ♦ Sitting introduced by Mr. Tau Henare, Chairman of the Committee on Maori Affairs, House of Representatives of New Zealand	Room 200 C

<sup>1</sup> Information as at 22 October, at 6 p.m.

<b>2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Panel discussion</b> <i>Enforcing the responsibility to protect: The role of parliament in safeguarding civilians' lives</i> (subject under discussion by the First Standing Committee)	<b>Room 200 B</b>
<b>2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians</b>	<b>Room 207 C</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
<b>4 p.m. – 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Gender Partnership Group</b>	<b>Room 205 A &amp; B</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
<b>5.30 p.m. – 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Executive Committee</b>	<b>Room 205 A &amp; B</b> <i>(in camera)</i>

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### Preview of main programme for Wednesday, 24 October

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Assembly/IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs</b> <i>Special plenary session observing United Nations Day</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ Debate: <i>Does the UN take democracy seriously enough?</i></li><li>◆ Launch of the handbook <i>Supporting nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament</i></li></ul>	Room 200 C
9 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.	<b>Committee on Middle East Questions</b>	Room 205 A & B <i>(in camera)</i>
9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	<b>Panel session</b> <i>Creating opportunities for youth in today's global economy</i>	Room 200 B
1 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.	<b>Workshop on new tools to promote nuclear disarmament</b>	Room 2000 C
2 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	<b>Governing Council</b> Debate; presentation of reports; and adoption of decisions	Room 200 C
2.30 – 5.30 p.m.	<b>Panel session</b> <i>Building peace after conflict</i>	Room 200 B
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.	<b>Advisory Group of the IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs</b>	Room 205 A & B <i>(in camera)</i>

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## OTHER EVENTS

### Thursday, 25 October 2012

- 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.     **Assembly – Special debate**     Room 200 C  
Sitting introduced by Mr. Knut Vollebaek, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (Netherlands), Grand Chief Edward John, Chairman, United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (Canada), and Ms. Meira Kumar, Speaker of the Lok Sabha of India
- 2.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.     **Special Gender Partnership Session** (cont'd)     Rooms 205 A & B  
(concludes on 26 October)     206 A & B  
*Break-out groups*     and 207  
Both men and women parliamentarians are strongly encouraged to attend the Special Session.

### Friday, 26 October 2012

- 1 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.     **Getting there: Towards the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and beyond 2015**     Room 202  
An informal briefing by the IPU and the United Nations Millennium Campaign (UNMC)

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## OTHER INFORMATION

- ♦ **Inclusion of an emergency item in the Assembly agenda:** Delegates are informed that the item "**The situation regarding institutions and security in Mali**" has been included as an emergency item (Item 6).
- ♦ **Quebec City Declaration:**
  - Delegations wishing to propose amendments to the draft are kindly requested to submit them to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (Office 303 B) by noon on Wednesday, 24 October;
  - Geopolitical groups are kindly requested to submit the names of their representatives in the drafting committee on the draft Declaration by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 October.
- ♦ **List of delegates:** In order to ensure the accuracy of the final List of Delegates, delegations are kindly requested to report any changes to Ms. Marina Filippin at the Registration Service before **noon today, Tuesday 23 October**. The final List of Delegates will be made available on the IPU website.

## VACANCIES TO BE FILLED DURING THE 127<sup>th</sup> ASSEMBLY

For all vacancies, candidatures from the corresponding geopolitical groups, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9 a.m. today, Tuesday, 23 October 2012, to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (Office 303 B). See [Vacancies](#) document for further details.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On 24 October 2012, the Governing Council will be required to elect **two members** (Eurasia Group and Latin America and Caribbean Group).

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. K. Chshmaritian (Armenia): candidature submitted by the Eurasia Group;
- Mr. D. Vivas (Venezuela): candidature submitted by the Latin America and Caribbean Group.

## SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION

### Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 24 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **two substitute members** (African Group and Twelve Plus Group).

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. L.B. Mbuku (Dem. Rep. of the Congo): candidature submitted by the African Group;
- Ms. I. Støjberg (Denmark): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

### Committee on Middle East Questions

On 24 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **three titular members and one substitute member**. According to the gender guidelines governing the composition of the Committee on Middle East Questions, **the three titular members to be elected cannot all be of the same gender. The substitute member should be a woman parliamentarian.**

Moreover, the members shall be elected on the basis of their interest and expertise in the subject matter and of their availability to attend all sessions.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. T. Henare (New Zealand): candidature submitted as titular member by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Lord Judd (United Kingdom): candidature submitted as titular member by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Mr. H. Franken (Netherlands): candidature submitted as substitute member by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Mr. D. Papadimoulis (Greece): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

### Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

On 24 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **three titular members** (Arab Group, Eurasia Group, and Latin America and Caribbean Group) and **two substitute members** (Arab Group and Asia-Pacific Group).

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Ms. G. Cuevas (Mexico): candidature as titular member submitted by the Latin America and Caribbean Group;
- Mr. P. Phalusuk (Thailand): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Thai IPU Group.

## APPOINTMENT OF TWO INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE 2013 ACCOUNTS

On 24 October, the Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2013 fiscal year. They will report in spring 2014. Parliamentarians interested in submitting their candidature for this position should preferably have prior experience either in a parliamentary finance or audit committee.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. R. Mohamed (United Rep. of Tanzania): candidature submitted by the African Group;
- Mr. H. Tajam (Uruguay): candidature submitted by the Latin America and Caribbean Group;
- Mr. D. Pacheco (Portugal): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

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## OFFICIAL RECEPTION

7 p.m.

**Dinner reception: *A voyage through Canada – Experience its tastes, sights and sounds*, hosted by the Honourable Donald H. Oliver, Q.C., Senator, President of the Canadian Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union**

**Fairmont le Château  
Frontenac**

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