VACANCIES FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX

In accordance with the amendments to the IPU Statutes and Rules, as adopted on the occasion of the 129th IPU Assembly (Geneva, October 2013), each IPU Standing Committee will be guided in its work by a Bureau composed of three representatives of each of the existing geopolitical groups, which shall designate not more than two candidatures of the same sex to each Bureau. Every effort shall be made to include young parliamentarians and encourage candidatures from new Members of the IPU as well as Members that do not hold other offices in the IPU. Bureau members are elected for a term of two-years and may be re-elected for a further period of two years.

Candidatures for a Bureau shall be submitted by the respective geopolitical group and should have expertise as far as possible in the area of work of the given Standing Committee. Moreover, elected members of the Bureau shall be supported by their respective parliament in carrying out their function as members of the Bureau. Every effort shall be made to ensure their participation in IPU Assemblies for the duration of their mandate as Bureau members.

Elections to the Standing Committee Bureaux will be held at the first sitting of each Committee at the 130th IPU Assembly (Geneva, March 2014). The new Bureaux will therefore have an opportunity to meet in their new configuration during the Assembly, to discuss and decide on a number of important issues, including their comprehensive work plan and the selection of agenda items to be taken up by their respective Committees. Current Bureau members who have not yet finished their term will have an opportunity to continue in their function until the expiration of their term.

Members are therefore strongly encouraged to submit their candidature for the Standing Committee Bureaux to their geopolitical groups, with copy to the IPU Secretariat, well in advance of the start of the 130th IPU Assembly. The composition and vacancies for the Bureaux of the Standing Committees are as follows:

Standing Committee on Peace and International Security

African Group
- Mr. G. SCHNEEMAN, South Africa (End of first term: April 2014)
- Mr. A. BOUGUE, Cameroon (End of second term: April 2015)
- One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman MP

Arab Group
- Ms. S. HAJ HASSAN, Jordan (End of first term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, of which at least one must be filled by a man MP
Asia-Pacific Group
- Mr. S. DANUSUBROTO, Indonesia (End of second term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, which must be filled by one man and one woman MP.

Eurasia Group
- Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs.

Group of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Mr. D. FILMUS, Argentina (End of second term: April 2015)
- Mr. L.E. SIERRA GRAJALES, Colombia (End of first term: April 2014)
- One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman MP

Twelve-Plus Group
- Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs.

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade

African Group
- Mr. H.R. MOHAMED, United Rep. of Tanzania (End of second term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, which must be filled by one man and one woman MP.

Arab Group
- Mr. N. NAJADAH, Kuwait (End of first term: April 2015)
- Mr. M. DMOUR, Jordan (End of second term: April 2015)
- One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman MP

Asia-Pacific Group
- Mr. I.A. BILOUR, Pakistan (End of second term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, which must be filled by one man and one woman MP.

Eurasia Group
- Mr. B.-Z. ZHAMBALNIMBUYEV, Russian Federation (End of second term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, which must be filled by one man and one woman MP

Group of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Mr. R. LEÓN, Chile (End of second term: April 2015)
- Mr. F. BUSTAMANTE, Ecuador (End of second term: April 2015)
- One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman MP

Twelve-Plus Group
- Mr. F.-X. de DONNEA, Belgium (End of second term: April 2015)
- Ms. M. OBRADOVIĆ, Serbia (End of first term: April 2015)
- One vacancy

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

African Group
- Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs.

Arab Group
- Ms. J. NASSIF, Bahrain (End of second term: April 2015)
- Mr. R. ABDUL-JABBAR, Iraq (End of second term: April 2015)
- One vacancy
Asia-Pacific Group
- Ms. F.Z. NADIRI, Afghanistan (End of first term: April 2015)
- Two vacancies, which must be filled by one man and one woman MP.

Eurasia Group
- Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs.

Group of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Mr. J.M. GALÁN, Colombia (End of second term: April 2015)
- Ms. G. ORTIZ, Mexico (End of first term: April 2015)
- One vacancy

Twelve-Plus Group
- Mr. C. JANIAK, Switzerland (End of first term: April 2015)
- Ms. L. WALL, New Zealand (End of first term: April 2015)
- One vacancy

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

A new Bureau will be established, composed of 18 members in observance of gender equality. Interested members of the current Advisory Group who meet Bureau requirements (relevant expertise and support from their parliaments to carry out operational activities) may submit their candidatures.

The following vacancies will need to be filled:
- African Group: three seats
- Arab Group: three seats
- Asia-Pacific Group: three seats
- Eurasia Group: three seats
- Group of Latin America and the Caribbean: three seats
- Twelve-Plus Group: three seats