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133rd IPU ASSEMBLY AND RELATED MEETINGS

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Vacancies to be filled during the 133rd Assembly

Executive Committee

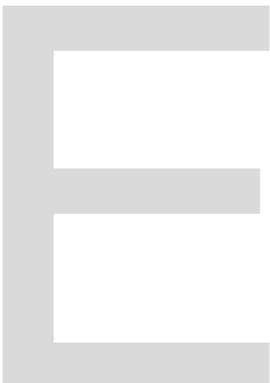
On 21 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **eight members**, as follows:

- African Group** : Two vacancies to replace Ms. N. Motsamai (Lesotho) and Ms. R. Kadaga (Uganda), whose Executive Committee terms end at the 197th session of the Governing Council;
- Asia-Pacific Group** : Two vacancies to replace Mr. F.M. Drilon (Philippines) and Mr. M.R. Rabbani (Pakistan), whose Executive Committee terms end at the 197th session of the Governing Council;
- Eurasia Group** : One vacancy to replace Mr. V. Senko (Belarus) who has resigned from the Executive Committee due to other commitments at the national level;
- GRULAC** : One vacancy to replace Ms. I. Passada (Uruguay) whose Executive Committee term ends at the 197th session of the Governing Council;
- Twelve Plus Group** : Two vacancies to replace Mr. N. Lammert (Germany) whose Executive Committee term ends at the 197th session of the Governing Council; and Mr. R. Walter* (United Kingdom), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

IMPORTANT: The geopolitical groups concerned are reminded that Article 25.2 of the Statutes provides that "*At least three of the members elected must be women*". In order to respect the Statutes, at the moment of the election, at least one of the candidates elected to the Executive committee should be a woman MP.

* In accordance with Article 25.6, if a member of the Executive Committee ceases to be a parliamentarian, the Member of the Union concerned shall appoint a substitute to serve until the next session of the Governing Council, when an election shall be held. If the newly elected member is from a different parliament than the outgoing member, he/she will serve a full term. Otherwise, the new member shall complete the term of office of his/her predecessor.

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.



To date the following candidatures have been received:

- Mr. K. Jalali (Islamic Republic of Iran), submitted by the Islamic Parliament of Iran;
- Ms. C. Cerqueira (Angola), submitted by the National Assembly of Angola;
- Mr. Tran Van Hang (Viet Nam), supported by the National Assembly of Viet Nam.

COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 21 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one titular member (female)** to replace Ms. I. Støjberg (Denmark), who is no longer a member of parliament.

Rule 1.4 of the Rules and practices of the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians states that “*The Committee as a whole should be gender-balanced and in principle comprise five men and five women. In any case, there shall be no fewer than four members of either sex.*” With Ms. Støjberg’s departure from the Committee, the number of women on the Committee stands at three, instead of the minimum of four, hence the requirement for her replacement to be a woman.

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae, (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

Committee on Middle East Questions

On 21 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect:

- **One titular member** to replace Ms. M. Green (Sweden), whose term of office ends at the 197th session of the Governing Council;
- **One titular member** to replace Mr. M. Sheerit (Israel) and **one substitute member** to replace Mr. H. Franken (Netherlands) who are no longer members of parliament

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

On 21 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect:

- **Two members** from the Twelve Plus Group, **one male** to replace the former member who is no longer an MP, and **one female** to replace Ms. U. Karlsson (Sweden), whose term of office ends at the 197th session of the Governing Council; and
- **One member (male)** from the Eurasia Group for the vacancy that was not filled at the 196th session of the Governing Council.

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

On 21 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one Facilitator** to replace Mr. M. Sheerit (Israel), who is no longer a member of parliament.

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

The Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU

At its meeting on Sunday, 18 October, the Forum will be required to elect **two Board members (one man and one woman)** from the Eurasia Group for the vacancies that were not filled during the 132nd Assembly.

*The **Eurasia Group** is invited to submit candidatures before 3 p.m. on Saturday, 17 October 2015.*

STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade

There are **seven vacancies** to be filled by the following Groups:

- African Group** : One vacancy to be filled by a man or a woman
Asia-Pacific Group : One vacancy to be filled by a man or a woman
GRULAC : Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs
Eurasia Group : Two vacancies, of which at least one must be filled by a woman

At the time of the 132nd Assembly¹ the following candidatures were submitted.

- Mr. Nagendra Singh (India), submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;
- Mr. Flore Musendu Flungu (Democratic Republic of the Congo), submitted by the African Group;
- Mr. Juan Antonio Coloma (Chile), Mrs. Gabriela Cuevas Barrón (Mexico), and Mr. José León Rivero (Peru), submitted by GRULAC.

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

There is **one vacancy** to be filled by the **Eurasia Group** by a man.

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

There are **three vacancies** to be filled by the following Groups:

- Eurasia Group** : Two vacancies, of which at least one must be filled by a woman
Twelve Plus Group : One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman

Candidatures from the respective geopolitical groups, which should be accompanied by a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum) highlighting the candidate's experience in the respective field, may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place at the last sitting of each of the Committees.

APPOINTMENT OF TWO INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE 2016 ACCOUNTS

On 21 October, the Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2016 fiscal year. They will be expected to present their report to the Governing Council at the first statutory session of the IPU in 2017. Parliamentarians interested in submitting their candidature for this position should preferably have prior experience either in a parliamentary finance or audit committee.

Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

¹ Due to a lack of quorum at the final Committee sitting, the Bureau election could not take place.