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# 135<sup>th</sup> IPU ASSEMBLY AND RELATED MEETINGS

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## Vacancies to be filled during the 135<sup>th</sup> Assembly

### Executive Committee

On 27 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **three members**, as follows:

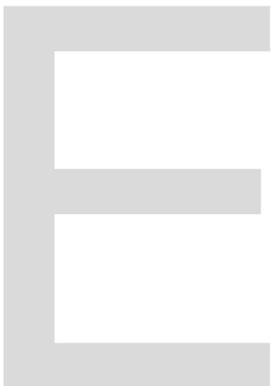
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| <b>African Group</b>  | : | One vacancy to replace Ms. C. Cerqueira* (Angola) who is no longer a Member of Parliament;   |
| <b>Asia-Pacific Group</b>   | : | One vacancy to replace Mr. Tran Van Hang* (Viet Nam) who is longer a Member of Parliament;   |
| <b>Group of Latin America:<br/>and the Caribbean<br/>(GRULAC)</b> | : | One vacancy to replace Mr. D. Vivas (Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of) whose Executive Committee term ends at the 199 <sup>th</sup> session of the Governing Council. |

\* In accordance with Article 25.6, if a member of the Executive Committee ceases to be a parliamentarian, the Member of the IPU 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 Wednesday, 26 October 2016.*

To date the following candidatures have been received:

- Mrs. M.Y. Ferrer Gómez (Cuba), submitted by the National Assembly of Cuba;
- Mr. J.-P. Letelier (Chile), submitted by the National Congress of Chile;
- Ms. M.I. Valente (Angola), submitted by the National Assembly of Angola, to complete the term of her predecessor;
- Mr. Nguyen Van Giau (Viet Nam), submitted by the National Assembly of Viet Nam, to complete the term of his predecessor.



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## COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

### Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 27 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one member** to replace Mr. J.-P. Letelier (Chile) whose term of office ends at the 199<sup>th</sup> 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 Wednesday, 26 October 2016.*

### Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

On 27 October, the Governing Council will be required to elect:

- **One member (male)** from the Eurasia Group for the vacancy that was not filled at the 198<sup>th</sup> session of the Governing Council;
- **One member (female)** from the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean to replace Ms. G. Cuevas Barrón (Mexico) whose term of office ends at the 199<sup>th</sup> session of the Governing Council;
- **One member (male)** from the Arab Group to replace Mr. S. Owais (Jordan) who is no longer a parliamentarian.

*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 Wednesday, 26 October 2016.*

### Bureau of Women Parliamentarians

The Forum of Women Parliamentarians will be required to fill the following seats of the **Bureau of Women Parliamentarians**:

- one regional representative for the Asia-Pacific Group;
- one regional representative for the Eurasia Group;
- one regional representative for the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean.

*The geopolitical groups concerned are encouraged to submit candidatures by 1 p.m. on Sunday, 23 October 2016.*

### Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU

At its meeting on Monday, 24 October, the Forum will be required to elect:

- **One Board member (female)** from the Eurasia Group for the vacancy that was not filled during the 134<sup>th</sup> Assembly and previous assemblies (end of term in March 2017);
- **Two Board members (one female and one male)** from the Twelve Plus Group for the vacancy that was not filled during the 134<sup>th</sup> Assembly and to replace Mr. V. Gapsys (Lithuania) who is no longer a parliamentarian (end of term in March 2017);
- **One Board member (female)** from the Arab Group to replace Ms. T. Alriyati (Jordan) who is no longer a parliamentarian (end of term in March 2017).

*The geopolitical groups concerned are encouraged to submit candidatures, preferably of the youngest members of parliament, by 3 p.m. on Sunday, 23 October 2016.*

The terms of office for all seats of the Board will end in March 2017. The Forum's Board will then be fully renewed.

## STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX

### Standing Committee on Peace and International Security

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

- African Group** : Three vacancies, which must be filled by men and women MPs  
**Asia-Pacific Group** : Two vacancies, of which at least one must be filled by a woman

### Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade

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

- Eurasia Group** : One vacancy, which must be filled by a man  
**Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC)** : One vacancy to be filled by a man or a woman

### Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

There is **one vacancy** to be filled by the **Asia-Pacific Group** by a man or 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 relevant field, may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place at the last sitting of each of the Committees.*

### Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

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

- African Group** : One vacancy, which must be filled by a woman  
**Asia-Pacific Group** : One vacancy to be filled by a man or a woman  
**Eurasia Group** : Two vacancies, of which at least one must be filled by a woman  
**Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC)** : One vacancy to be filled by a man or a woman

The candidature of Mr. A.Y. Desai (India) was submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group after the Standing Committee completed its work at the 134<sup>th</sup> Assembly in March 2016.

The Standing Committee will elect its new President (from the African geopolitical group) and Vice-President from among the members of the Bureau.

Elections to the Bureau of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights will take place at the **first sitting of the Committee on Monday, 24 October**. The geopolitical groups concerned are encouraged to submit candidatures by close of business on Sunday, 23 October 2016.

## APPOINTMENT OF TWO INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE 2017 ACCOUNTS

On 27 October, the Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2017 fiscal year. They will be expected to present their report to the Governing Council at the first statutory session of the IPU in 2018. 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 Wednesday, 26 October 2016.*