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- 1. The election of the Members of the African Union Advisory Board on Corruption (Advisory Board on Corruption) is based on the provisions of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption (the Convention) and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.
- **2.** The Advisory Board on Corruption was established under Article 22 (1) of the Convention.
- **3.** Article 22 (2) of the Convention provides that the Board shall be comprised of eleven (11) members elected by the Executive Council from among a list of experts of the highest integrity, impartiality, and recognized competence in matters relating to preventing and combating corruption and related offences, proposed by the State Parties.
- **4.** In addition, Article 22 (3) (4) of the Convention provides that the members of the Advisory Board on Corruption shall serve in their personal capacity and that they shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years renewable only once.
- 5. It will be recalled that following the expiry of the term of the office in January 2017 of the Board members elected in January 2015, the Executive Council at its Thirtieth Ordinary Session elected only seven (7) members due to an insufficient number of candidates. The members were subsequently appointed by the Assembly through decision Assembly/AU/Dec.633(XXVIII) at its Twenty-Eight Ordinary Session which took place in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in January 2017 and the Assembly further decided as follows:

**DECIDES** that the remaining four (4) Members be elected at the Thirty First Ordinary Session of the Executive Council scheduled for June/July 2017, in accordance with the Modalities on Implementation of Criteria for Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in the African Union Organs adopted by the Executive Council in January 2016 vide Decision EX.CL/Dec.907(XXVIII), as follows:

- (i) Two (2) Female Candidates, namely one (1) candidate from the Central Region and one (1) candidate from the Eastern region;
- (ii) Two (2) Candidates from the Northern Region, namely one (1) male candidate and one (1) female candidate.
- **6.** The following seven (7) members of the Board were elected in January 2017

No.	Name	Country	Region
1	Begoto MIAROM	Chad	Central
2	John Kithome TUTA	Kenya	Eastern
3	Paulus Kalomho NOA	Namibia	Southern

4	Florence ZIYAMBI	Zimbabwe	Southern	
5	Pascal BAMOUNI (Floating seat)	Burkina Faso	Western	
6	Daniel BATIDAM	Ghana	Western	
7	Elisabeth Afiavi GNANSOUNOU	Benin	Western	
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- **7.** The Commission would like to draw the attention of Member States to the regional and gender representation of the current Board members as follows:
  - a) Regional Representation

 Central
 :
 One (1)

 East
 :
 One (1)

 North
 :
 Zero (0)

 South
 :
 Two (2)

 West
 :
 Three (3)

b) <u>Gender Representation</u>

Female Members : Two (2)
Male Members : Five (5)

- 8. The Executive Council during these elections must ensure that the composition of the Board on Corruption consists of regional and adequate gender representation as per the decision EX.CL/Dec.907(XXVIII) adopted by the Executive Council in January 2016 on the Modalities on Implementation of Criteria for Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in the African Union Organs shall be applied. Paragraph 2 of the said decision provides as follows:
  - (i) The regional representation, where applicable, shall be East (2), Central (2), North (2), South (2) and West (2), except in cases in which a region which has been duly informed has not presented candidates;
  - (ii) Where applicable, one (1) seat shall be a floating seat and rotate among the five (5) regions;
  - (iii) At least one (1) member from each region should be a woman;
  - (iv) The modalities shall become effective immediately.
- **9.** On the implementation of the above decision, the Commission requested States Parties to the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption from Central, Eastern regions to submit Female candidatures and the Northern region to submit Female and Male candidatures/nominations for the election in June/July 2017.
- **10.** As of the deadline initially set for 15 April 2017 and communicated to all Member States through Note Verbale referenced N° BC/OLC/24.12.362.17 and dated 23

February 2017, an insufficient number of candidates were received. Hence, the Commission extended the deadline to 15 May 2017. As of the latter deadline, the Commission received the following candidatures, listed in alphabetical order of their surnames:

### **11.** In this regard,

No	Name	Country	Gender	Region
1.	AIT CHAALAL Hocine	Algeria	Male	Northern
2.	HANTASOA ANDRIAMBELOSON Hortensia	Madagascar	Female	Eastern
3.	MAAWAL Mohamed S.H.	Libya	Male	Northern
4.	MOUNGEMBA KIBONGUI-SAMINOU Anne Marie Rose	Congo	Female	Central
5.	SEJA Sabina	Tanzania	Female	Eastern

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