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**REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN**  
**CANDIDATURES WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM**

## REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

### I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System met in its Fortieth Ordinary Session on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, chaired by **H.E Mr. Simeón Oyono Esono Angue**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the **Republic of Equatorial Guinea**
2. After opening the session and observing the usual protocols, the Chairperson presented the Agenda of the session for adoption by members of the Committee.

### II. ATTENDANCE

3. The following Members of the Committee were in attendance: Angola, Botswana, Burundi, Côte D'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea Republic, Liberia, Kenya, Mauritania, Morocco, Togo and Zimbabwe.
4. The Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security, H.E. Amb. Bankole Adeoye, was also in attendance, leading the Secretariat of the Committee (AU Office in Addis Ababa, New York and Geneva).

### III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5. The Committee adopted the following Agenda:
  - i) Consideration of the Report on the Implementation of Decisions **EX.CL/Dec.1139(XXXIX)**;
  - ii) Consideration of the Report on New African Candidatures for Posts within the International System;
  - iii) Presentation of the new e-Candidatures Portal as a tool/means to record, monitor and ease the process of submission of candidatures by Member States for consideration by the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System;
  - iv) Any Other Business.

### IV. STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS EX.CL/Dec.1139(XXXIX)

6. The Commission presented the Report on the Status of Implementation of Decisions **EX.CL/Dec.1139(XXXIX)** on the candidatures endorsed by the Executive Council at previous sessions.

7. The Committee took note of the status of implementation of the above-mentioned Decisions on African Candidatures endorsed at the 39th Session held virtually in October 2021. It expressed satisfaction on the success of candidatures endorsed by the Executive Council at previous sessions. It requested the Secretariat to continue with efforts to provide appropriate support for the candidates endorsed.
8. The Committee recommended that the Executive Council take note of the candidates who had been elected and those who had not been elected (See Report).

## V. CONSIDERATION OF NEW AFRICAN CANDIDATURES FOR POSTS WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

9. The Commission presented the candidatures submitted for approval by the Executive Council at its 40<sup>TH</sup> Ordinary Session.
10. After discussions, the Committee recommended that the Executive Council endorses the following candidatures for election or re-election to the posts of:

**(a) Vice-Presidency of the 77<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly of the UN for the period 2022-2023**, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Region)
- **Republic of Mauritania** (Northern Region)
- **Republic of Zimbabwe** (Southern Region)
- **Republic of Cabo Verde** (Western Region)
- **Republic of Benin** (Western Region)

**(b) Membership of the Bureaus of the 6<sup>th</sup> Main Committees of the United Nations General Assembly for the period 2022-2023**, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **United Republic of Tanzania** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Region)

***NB: The Ministerial Committee deferred this candidature to the African Group in New York for further consultation to agree on one African candidate.***

**(c) Membership of the United Nations Economic and Social Council for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Cameroon** (Central Africa Region)

- **Republic of Equatorial Guinea** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Cabo Verde** (Western Region)

***NB: One (1) seat pending to be filled by the Southern Region***

(d) **Membership of the Commission on the Status of Women for the period 2023-2025**, during the ECOSOC election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Democratic Republic of Congo** (Central Africa Region)
- **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Region)
- **Republic of Cote d'Ivoire** (Western Region)
- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Region)

(e) **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Contributions for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Africa Region)

(f) **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Conferences for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Djibouti** (Eastern Region)
- **Arab Republic of Egypt** (Northern Region)

(g) **Membership of the United Nations Committee for Programmes and Coordination for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled in November 2022 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Republic of Tunisia** (Northern Region)

***NB: Two (2) seats pending to be filled by Western Region***

(h) **Membership of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs for the period 2023-2026**, during election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Region)
- **Federal Republic of Nigeria (A)** (Western Region) (*assumed the seat on Appeal*)

(i) **Membership of the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (UNCSTD) for the period 2023-2025**, for the

election scheduled for scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Djibouti** (Eastern Region)
- **United Republic of Tanzania** (Eastern Region)
- **Republic of Botswana** (Southern Region)

***NB: Three (3) Seats pending to be filled by: Eastern Region; Western Region and; Northern Region respectively***

**(j) Membership of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF) for the period 2023-2025**, for the election scheduled in April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Region)
- **Kingdom of Lesotho** (Southern Region)

**(k) Membership of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia** (Eastern Region)
- **Islamic Republic of Mauritania** (Northern Region)

**(l) Membership of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Coordinating Board (UNAIDS) for the period 2023-2025**, for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Region)
- **The State of Libya** (Northern Region)

**(m) Membership of the Executive Board of UN-Women for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Region)
- **Republic of Zimbabwe** (Southern Region)
- **Republic of Cote d'Ivoire** (Western Region)

***NB: One (1) Seat pending to be filled by Central Region***

**(n) Membership of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for November 2023 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Region)

- (o) **Membership of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for November 2023 in Paris, France, the candidature of:
- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Region)
- (p) **Member of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Region D for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for October 2022 in Bucharest, Romania, the candidatures of:
- **Arab Republic of Egypt** (Northern Region)
  - **Federal Republic of Nigeria (Re-election)** (Western Region)
  - **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Region)
  - **Republic of Kenya (Re-election)** (Eastern Region)
  - **Republic of South Africa (Re-election)** (Southern Region)
  - **People Democratic Republic of Algeria** (Northern Region)
  - **Republic of Senegal (Re-election)** (Western Region)
  - **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Region)
- (q) **Member of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), for the period 2022-2025**, during the election scheduled for October 2022 in Montreal, Canada, the candidatures of:
- **Arab Republic of Egypt** for Part II (Northern Region)
  - **Islamic Republic of Mauritania** for Part III (Northern Region)
- (r) **Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2024-2025** for election scheduled for June 2023 in New York, USA, the candidature of:
- **Republic of Sierra Leone** (Western Region)
- (s) **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations for the period 2022-2024** for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, the candidatures of:
- **Republic of Cameroon** (Central Region)
  - **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Region)
  - **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria** (Northern Region)
  - **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Region)

***NB: One (1) seat pending to be filled by Western Region***

(t) **Membership of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) for the period 2022-2027**, for election scheduled for November 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Democratic Republic of Congo** (Central Region)
- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Region)
- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Region)
- **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Region)
- **Federal Republic of Nigeria** (Western Region)

***NB: Two seats pending to be filled by Eastern and Southern Regions***

(u) **Membership of the United Nations Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on Intercontinental Standards of Accounting and Reporting for the period 2022 -2024**, for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Federal Republic of Nigeria** (Western Region)

***NB: Three (3) seats pending to be filled, one (1) by Eastern Region and two (2) Southern Region***

**ENDORSES** for election/re-election, candidatures submitted by Member States for the following individual positions:

(v) **Secretary-General of the Commonwealth, for the period 2022-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in London, UK, the candidature of:

- **Amb. Dr. Monica Juma** of the Republic of Kenya

(w) **Membership of the Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, the candidatures of:

- **Dr. Maya Morsi** of the Arab Republic of Egypt
- **Mrs Louiza Chalal** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (***Re-election***)
- **Mrs Yoli-Bi Kone Klintio Marguerite** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

***NB: These candidatures are endorsed in addition to those of: Mrs Vera Nkwaten Ngassa of the Republic of Cameroon; Ms Brenda Akia of the Republic of Uganda; Mrs. Esther Eghobamien-Mshelia of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and; Mrs Eunice Njovana of the Republic of***

***Zimbabwe endorsed by the Executive Council at its 38<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup> sessions through decisions EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII) and EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).***

**(x) Membership of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (CLCS) for the period 2022-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, the candidatures of:

- **Mr. Simon Njuguna** of the Republic of Kenya
- **Mr. Azzadine Tair** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
- **Professeur Miloud Loukili**, Kingdom of Morocco

***NB: These candidatures are endorsed in addition to those of: Ms Marilyn Eghan of the Republic of Ghana and; Mr Domingos de Carvalho Viana Moreira of the Republic of Angola endorsed by the Executive Council at its 39<sup>th</sup> session through decision EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).***

**(y) Member of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) for the period 2022-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, the candidatures of:

- **Ms. Getrude Fefoame** of the Republic of Ghana
- **Mr. Alfred Kouassi** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

**(z) Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for the period 2023-2032**, during the election scheduled for June 2023 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Advocate Thembeli Elphus Joyini** of the Republic of South Africa

**(aa) Membership of the United Nations Human Rights Council Advisory Committee for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in Geneva, the candidature of:

- **Professor Sebastiano Isata** of the Republic of Angola

**(bb) As Secretary-General of the Permanent Court of Arbitration for the period 2022-2027**, during the election scheduled for February 2022 in The Hague, the candidature of:

- **Hon. Justice Mrs. Aruna Devi Narain** of the Republic of Mauritius

**(cc) Membership of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, USA, the candidature of:



- **Mr. Mel Alain Didier Lath** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

**NB: This candidature is endorsed in addition to that of: Mrs Agnes Kabore of Burkina Faso endorsed by the Executive Council at its 39th session through decision EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).**

**(dd) Membership of the United Nations Human Rights Committee for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Mr. Delbe Zirignon Constant** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

**TAKES NOTE OF AND DECIDES TO DEFER:**

**(ee) Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2025-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2024 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Region)

**(ff) Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2026-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2025 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Republic of Liberia** (Western Region)

**(gg) Presidency of the 79<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the United Nations for the period 2024-2025**, which election is scheduled for June 2024 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Republic of Cameroon** (Central Region)
- **Republic of South Africa** (Southern Region)

**(hh) Membership of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2025-2029**, during the election scheduled for November 2025 in Paris, France, the candidature of

- **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Region)

**(ii) Judge of the International Criminal Court (ICC), for the period 2024-2029**, during the election scheduled for December 2023 in New York, USA, the candidature of:

- **Mr. RAJAONA Andriamanakiandrianana** of the Republic of Madagascar

(jj) **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York, the candidatures of:

- **Mrs. Djam Doudou Daoudou** of the Republic of Cameroon
- **Chief Justice Asraf Ally Caunhye** of the Republic of Mauritius
- **Amb. Peter S.O. Emuze** of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (**Re-election**)
- **Mr. DIANE Hassane** of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire

**NB: The Committee took note of these candidatures and request the African Group in New York to consult with Member States and agree on the submission of two (2) candidates for the two (2) available seats.**

(kk) **President of the United Nations International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Mr. Elhassane Zahid** of the Kingdom of Morocco
- **Mr. Larbi DJACTA**, The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (**Re-election**)

**NB: The Committee took note of this candidature and deferred it to the African Group in New York for further consultation and advice on the way forward**

(ll) **Membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for the period 2024-2026**, during the election scheduled for December 2023 in New York, USA, the candidatures of:

- **Mrs. Caroline Nalwanga Magambo** of the Republic of Uganda
- **Mr. Abdallah Bachar Bong** of the Republic of Chad

(mm) **The Committee WELCOMES** the Commission initiative to create a new e-Candidatures Portal as a tool/means to centralise, record, monitor and ease the process of submission of candidatures by Member States for consideration by the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System;

(nn) **The Committee REQUESTS** that the new e-Candidatures Portal should be included in the revised Rules of Procedure of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System as a new tool for submission of Candidatures by Member States.

- (oo) **The Committee TAKES NOTE** of efforts made by the Commission towards revision of the Rules of Procedure for the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System; **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Commission to expedite the finalisation of the Rules of Procedure and its submission to the next Ordinary Session of the Specialized Technical Committee (STC) on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration in readiness for its adoption by the Executive Council during its Ordinary Session in June/July 2022
- (pp) **The Committee COMMENDS** the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System at the Ambassadorial Level for taking the necessary steps to ensure that all documents related to this Committee are reviewed and synchronised in a timely manner; and **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Committee at the Ambassadorial Level to continue working closely with the relevant African Groups, particularly New York and Geneva.
- (qq) **The Committee URGES** the Africa Groups where applicable to take appropriate actions to coordinate Member States efforts to fill the pending seats and to ensure full implementation of the Executive Council Decisions on African Candidatures within the International System.

## VI. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (rr) Under Any Other Business, the Committee requested:
- (i) With regard to the ***Revised Rules of Procedure of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System***, the Committee **TAKES NOTE** of efforts made by the African Union Commission towards revision of the Rules of Procedure for the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System. It requests the Commission to expedite finalisation of the Rules of Procedure and its submission to the next Ordinary Session of the Specialized Technical Committee (STC) on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration in readiness for its adoption by the Executive Council during its Ordinary Session in June/July 2022
  - (ii) The Committee instructs the PRC Sub-Committee on Budget to allocate appropriate budget for the activities of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System responsible for the implementation of decisions on candidatures, the establishment of which had been decided upon by the Executive Council; **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Commission to give high consideration to the recruitment of dedicate staff members to strengthen the work of the Secretariat.

**DRAFT**  
**DECISION ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM**  
**Doc. EX.CL/1338(XL)**

The Executive Council,

A. **WELCOMES** the Report of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System.

**B. ENDORSES for election/re-election, candidatures submitted by Member States for the following positions:**

1. **Vice-Presidency of the 77<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly of the UN for the period 2022-2023**, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mauritania** (Northern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Zimbabwe** (Southern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Cabo Verde** (Western Africa Region)
- **Republic of Benin** (Western Africa Region)

2. **Membership of the United Nations Economic and Social Council for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Cameroon** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Equatorial Guinea** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Cabo Verde** (Western Africa Region)

***NB: One (1) seat pending to be filled by the Southern Africa Region***

3. **Membership of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) for the period 2023-2025**, during the ECOSOC election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Democratic Republic of Congo** (Central Africa Region)
- **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Cote d'Ivoire** (Western Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Africa Region)

4. **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Contributions for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Africa Region)

5. **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Conferences for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Djibouti** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Arab Republic of Egypt** (Northern Africa Region)

6. **Membership of the United Nations Committee for Programmes and Coordination for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled in November 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Tunisia** (Northern Africa Region)

***NB: Two (2) seats pending to be filled by Western Region***

7. **Membership of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs for the period 2023-2026**, during election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Burundi** (Central Africa Region)
- **Federal Republic of Nigeria (A)** (Western Africa Region) (*on Appeal*)

8. **Membership of the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (UNCSTD) for the period 2023-2025**, for the election scheduled for scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Djibouti** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **United Republic of Tanzania** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Botswana** (Southern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Rwanda** (Eastern Africa Region)

***NB: Two (2) Seats pending to be filled by: Western and Northern Africa Regions respectively***

9. **Membership of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF) for the period 2023-2025**, for the election scheduled in April 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Africa Region)
- **Kingdom of Lesotho** (Southern Africa Region)

10. **Membership of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (WFP) for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Islamic Republic of Mauritania** (Northern Africa Region)

11. **Membership of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Coordinating Board (UNAIDS) for the period 2023-2025**, for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **The State of Libya** (Northern Africa Region)

12. **Membership of the Executive Board of UN-Women for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Zimbabwe** (Southern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Cote d'Ivoire** (Western Africa Region)

***NB: One (1) Seat pending to be filled by Central Africa Region***

13. **Member of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Region D for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for October 2022 in Bucharest:

- **Arab Republic of Egypt** (Northern Africa Region)
- **Federal Republic of Nigeria** (***Re-election***) (Western Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Kenya** (***Re-election***) (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of South Africa** (***Re-election***) (Southern Africa Region)
- **People Democratic Republic of Algeria** (Northern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Senegal** (***Re-election***) (Western Africa Region)
- **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Africa Region)

***NB: Five (5) seats pending to be filled and Central Africa Member States are invited to apply***

14. **Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2024-2025** for election scheduled for June 2023 in New York:

- **Republic of Sierra Leone** (Western Africa Region)

15. **Membership of the United Nations Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations for the period 2022-2024** for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Republic of Cameroon** (Central Africa Region)
- **State of Eritrea** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria** (Northern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mozambique** (Southern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Liberia** (Western Africa Region)

16. **Membership of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) for the period 2022-2027**, for election scheduled for November 2022 in New York:

- **Democratic Republic of Congo** (Central Africa Region)
- **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Africa Region)
- **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Africa Region)
- **Federal Republic of Nigeria** (Western Africa Region)

***NB: Two seats pending to be filled by Eastern and Southern Africa Regions, to be referred to New York***

17. **Membership of the United Nations Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on Intercontinental Standards of Accounting and Reporting for the period 2022-2024**, for election scheduled for April 2022 in New York:

- **Federal Republic of Nigeria** (Western Africa Region)

***NB: Three (3) seats pending to be filled, one (1) by Eastern Africa Region and two (2) Southern Africa Region***

**C. ENDORSES for election/re-election, Individual Candidatures submitted by Member States for the following individual positions:**

18. **Secretary-General of the Commonwealth, for the period 2022-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in London:

- **Amb. Dr. Monica Juma** of the Republic of Kenya

19. **Membership of the Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:

- **Dr. Maya Morsi** of the Arab Republic of Egypt
- **Mrs Louiza Chalal** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (**Re-election**)
- **Mrs Yoli-Bi Kone Klintio Marguerite** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

***NB: These candidatures are endorsed in addition to those of: Mrs Vera Nkwaten Ngassa of the Republic of Cameroon; Ms Brenda Akia of the Republic of Uganda; Mrs. Esther Eghobamien-Mshelia of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and; Mrs Eunice Njovana of the Republic of Zimbabwe endorsed by the Executive Council at its 38<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup> sessions through decisions EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII) and EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).***

20. **Membership of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (CLCS) for the period 2022-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:

- **Mr. Simon Njuguna** of the Republic of Kenya
- **Mr. Azzadine Tair** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
- **Professeur Miloud Loukili**, Kingdom of Morocco

*NB: These candidatures are endorsed in addition to those of: Ms Marilyn Eghan of the Republic of Ghana and; Mr Domingos de Carvalho Viana Moreira of the Republic of Angola endorsed by the Executive Council at its 39th session through decision EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).*

21. **Member of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) for the period 2022-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:

- **Ms. Getrude Fefoame** of the Republic of Ghana
- **Mr. Alfred Kouassi** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

22. **Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for the period 2023-2032**, during the election scheduled for June 2023 in New York:

- **Advocate Thembeli Elphus Joyini** of the Republic of South Africa

23. **Membership of the United Nations Human Rights Council Advisory Committee for the period 2023-2025**, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in Geneva:

- **Professor Sebastiano Isata** of the Republic of Angola

24. **As Secretary-General of the Permanent Court of Arbitration for the period 2022-2027**, during the election scheduled for February 2022 in The Hague:

- **Hon. Justice Mrs. Aruna Devi Narain** of the Republic of Mauritius

25. **Membership of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:

- **Mr. Mel Alain Didier Lath** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

*NB: This candidature is endorsed in addition to that of: Mrs Agnes Kabore of Burkina Faso endorsed by the Executive Council at its 39th session through decision EX.CL/Dec.1120(XXXVII).*

26. **Membership of the United Nations Human Rights Committee for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2022 in New York:



- **Mr. Delbe Zirignon Constant** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

**D. TAKES NOTE** of the candidatures of the Republic of Cameroon and the Republic of South Africa for the post of ***President of the 79<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations*** for the period 2024-2025, which election is scheduled for June 2024 in New York and **instructs the African Group in New York to facilitate further consultation between the two countries in order to agree on one African candidate for this important post and to report back to the next session.**

**E. TAKES NOTE** of the candidatures of United Republic of Tanzania and the Republic of Mozambique to the Membership of the Bureaus of the 6<sup>th</sup> Main Committees of the United Nations General Assembly for the period 2022-2023, during the election scheduled for September 2022 in New York, and decides to refer consideration of this post to ***the African Group in New York for further consultation to agree on one African candidate and report back to the next Session.***

**F. TAKES NOTE** of the candidatures for the Membership of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for the period 2023-2026, during the election scheduled for April 2022 in New York: Mrs. Djam Doudou Daoudou of the Republic of Cameroon; Chief Justice Asraf Ally Caunhye of the Republic of Mauritius (Re-election); Amb. Peter S.O. Emuze of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (***Re-election***); Mr. DIANE Hassane of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire. Requests the African Group in New York to facilitate consultations among concerned member states, to agree on the submission of two (2) candidates for the two (2) available seats and to report back to the Ministerial Committee by end of February, 2022.

**G. FURTHER TAKES NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATURES AND DECIDES TO DEFER THE CONSIDERATION OF THE CANDIDATURES TO THE NEXT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL:**

- 27. Member of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), for the period 2022-2025**, during the election scheduled for October 2022 in Montreal:
- **Arab Republic of Egypt** for Part II (Northern Africa Region)
  - **Islamic Republic of Mauritania** for Part III (Northern Africa Region)

**NB: Takes note of the candidatures of the two countries and decides to refer this matter to the dedicated African Mechanism for consideration**

- 28. Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2025-2026**, during the election scheduled for June 2024 in New York:
- **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Africa Region)

29. **Non-Permanent Membership of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the period 2026-2027**, during the election scheduled for June 2025 in New York,:
  - **Republic of Liberia** (Western Africa Region)
30. **Membership of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for November 2023 in New York:
  - **Republic of Kenya** (Eastern Africa Region)
31. **Membership of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2023-2027**, during the election scheduled for November 2023 in Paris:
  - **Republic of Mauritius** (Eastern Africa Region)
32. **Membership of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2025-2029**, during the election scheduled for November 2025 in Paris:
  - **Kingdom of Morocco** (Northern Africa Region)
33. **Judge of the International Criminal Court (ICC), for the period 2024-2029**, during the election scheduled for December 2023 in New York:
  - **Mr. RAJAONA Andriamanakiandrianana** of the Republic of Madagascar
34. **President of the United Nations International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) for the period 2023-2026**, during the election scheduled for November 2022 in New York:
  - **Mr. Elhassane Zahid** of the Kingdom of Morocco
  - **Mr. Larbi DJACTA**, The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (**Re-election**)

**NB: The Committee took note of this candidature and deferred it to the African Group in New York for further consultation and advice on the way forward**

35. **Membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for the period 2024-2026**, during the election scheduled for December 2023 in New York:
  - **Mrs. Caroline Nalwanga Magambo** of the Republic of Uganda
  - **Mr. Abdallah Bachar Bong** of the Republic of Chad

**H. ON THE NEW E-CANDIDATURE PORTAL, THE COUNCIL:**

36. **WELCOMES** the Commission's initiative to create a new e-Candidatures Portal as an on-line tool to centralise, record, monitor and ease the process of submission of candidatures by Member States for consideration by the Ministerial Committee and relevant AU multilateral missions;
37. **REQUESTS** that the new e-Candidatures Portal should be included in the revised Rules of Procedure of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System as a new on-line tool for submission of Candidatures by Member States, with training programmes for all potential users including Member States Focal Points and AU staff .

#### **I. ON THE RULES OF PROCEDURE, THE COUNCIL:**

38. **TAKES NOTE** of efforts made by the Commission towards the revision of the Rules of Procedure for the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System; **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Commission to expedite the finalisation of the Rules of Procedure and its submission to the next Ordinary Session of the Specialized Technical Committee (STC) on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration in readiness for its adoption by the Executive Council during its Ordinary Session in June/July 2022

#### **J. ON DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY, THE COUNCIL:**

39. **COMMENDS** the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System at the Ambassadorial Level for taking the necessary steps to ensure that all documents related to this Committee are reviewed and synchronised in a timely manner; and **REQUESTS** the Committee at the Ambassadorial Level to continue working closely with the relevant African Groups, particularly New York and Geneva, for synergy and coordination.
40. **URGES** the Africa Groups where applicable to take appropriate actions to coordinate Member States efforts to fill the pending seats and to ensure full implementation of the Executive Council Decisions on African Candidatures within the International System.
41. **INSTRUCTS** the PRC Sub-Committee on General Supervision, Administration, Budgetary and Financial matters to allocate adequate budget for the activities of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System responsible for the implementation of decisions on candidatures.

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