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1. The election of members of the African Union Commission on International Law (AUCIL) is governed by the provisions of the Statute of the AUCIL and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.
2. The AUCIL is established by Article 2 of the Statute of the AUCIL and in accordance with Article 5(2) of the Constitutive Act of the African Union.
3. Pursuant to Article 3 of the Statute of AUCIL, the AUCIL shall consist of eleven (11) members of recognized competence in international law, who are nationals of Member States and who must serve in their personal capacities. In addition, the AUCIL shall not include more than one (1) national of the same state.
4. It shall be recalled that the Executive Council at its Twenty-Sixth Ordinary Session held in January 2015 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, through decision EX.CL/Dec.861 (XXVI) elected six(6) members of the AUCIL for five (5) year terms as follows:

No.	Name	Country
1	Mr. Ebenezer APPREKU	Ghana
2	Mr. Mohamed BARAKAT	Egypt
3	Mr. Abdi Ismael HERSI	Djibouti
4	Mr. Sebastião Da Silva ISATA	Angola
5	Mrs. Juliet Semambo KALEMA	Uganda
6	Mr. Cheikh Tidiane THIAM	Senegal

5. Once the Commission received the news of the death of Mr. Ebenezer Appreku, a Member of the AUCIL re-elected in January 2015, through its Note Verbal under reference BC/OLC/42.23/2423.16, the Commission informed all Member States. Furthermore, on 5 October 2016 vide Note verbal under reference BC/OLC/42.23/2455.16, the Commission informed Member States that in accordance with Article 14, there is a vacant seat and requested Member States to submit.
6. In this regard, the current election is to elect one (1) Member from the Western region, in accordance with Article 12 (3) and (4) of the AUCIL Statute to fill the vacant seat for the remaining term of the late Mr. Ebenezer Appreku of three (3) years.
7. In electing the new member of AUCIL, the Executive Council is invited to take into account the principles of gender balance outlined in the Modalities on the Implementation of the Criteria of Equitable Geographical and Gender Representation in AU Organs and Institutions adopted by the Executive Council at its Twenty-Eight Ordinary Session in January 2016 through EX.CL/Dec.907 (XXVIII). Special attention should also be given to Article 3 (3) of the Statute of AUCIL, which stipulates that the

composition of AUCIL should reflect and respect the principles of equitable gender representation.

8. The Commission would like to draw the attention of Member States, that following the vacant seat, the current configuration of the AUCIL members in accordance to regional and gender representation is as follows:

a) Regional representation

Central: One (1)
 East: Two (2)
 North: Two (2)
 South: Two (2)
 West: Three (3)

b) Gender representation

Female members: Three (3)
 Male members: Seven (7)

9. The candidatures submitted by Member States of the Western region and received by the Commission are as follows:

No	Name	Country	Gender	Region
1	AYENSU Kathleen Quartey	Ghana	Female	West
2	DOSSO Assi Kroanemoin Juliette	Cote d'Ivoire	Female	West
3	KONAN Sommla Clemence Lydie	Cote d'Ivoire	Female	West

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