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MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATURES**African candidatures for posts
within the international system****Addis Ababa, Ethiopia****23 June 2014****I. Election for the post of Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization for the period 2016-2020**

- The candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa** of South Africa.

1. Comment: The World Meteorological Organization (WMO), established in 1950, became in 1951, a specialized agency of the United Nations which is authoritative for all issues relating to the status and behavior of the earth's atmosphere, its interaction with the oceans, the climate resulting therefrom and the resulting distribution of water resources. It is the emanation of the International Meteorological Organization (IMO), which was established in 1873.

2. Its main bodies are: The Congress; the Executive Council; the President and three Vice-Presidents who at the same time manage the Executive Council and the Organization, Regional councils, Technical Committees and the Secretariat.

3. The World Meteorological **Congress**, the supreme organ of the Organization, brings together representatives of Members every four years. It elects the President and Vice-Presidents of the Executive Council of the WMO as well as Executive Council members and appoints the Secretary-General

4. As per the procedure, when the World Meteorological Congress has to decide between more than two candidates for the post of Secretary-General, it applies the following procedure:

- a) Each delegate or his/her representative in Congress is invited to indicate the candidate of his/her choice by writing the candidate's name on the ballot paper. All candidates who do not receive any vote and the candidate who receives the smallest number of votes are eliminated from the list of candidates. If two or more candidates receive the smallest number of votes, a ballot will be conducted separately and the candidate who receives the smallest number of votes will be eliminated from the list and the other candidate or candidates will be maintained. If, at this separate ballot, more than one candidate receives the smallest number of votes, all these candidates will be removed from the list.
- b) The procedures described in paragraph a) will then be repeated with the reduced list of candidates;

- c) This procedure will be continued until one candidate (the "preferred candidate") remains on the list;
- d) proposal will then be submitted to Congress with the aim that the preferred candidate would be declared appointed. This proposal must be supported by a majority of two thirds of votes cast in order to be adopted;
- e) If, at any stage of the elections described in paragraphs a) to c) above, a candidate receives a majority of two thirds of votes cast, he/she will be declared appointed and there will not be another round of ballot;
- f) In case the last two candidates in the selection process receive the same number of votes, a second ballot shall take place;
- g) In case the proposal described in paragraph d) is not supported by a majority of two thirds of the votes cast, a second ballot shall take place;
- h) In case the new ballots referred to in paragraphs f) and g) are not decisive, Congress shall decide whether to continue to vote if a new procedure should be adopted or whether its decision should be differed.

5. The term of office of the Secretary-General is 4 years. But a Secretary-General may hold office for a maximum of 3 terms of 4 years. This rule takes effect from the fourteenth Congress and applies to any candidate who may have previously occupied this post.

6. The first Secretary-General of the WMO took office in 1952. The current Secretary General has been at post since 2004 and his current term ends in 2015.

7. Africa has occupied this post once in the person of G.O.P. Obasi of Nigeria from 1984-2003.

II. Re-election for membership and Chairperson of the International Civil Service Commission for the period 2015-2018 during elections to be held in New York in 2014.

- The candidature of **Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes** of the Republic of Sierra Leone.

8. Comment: The International Civil Service Commission is a body composed of independent experts established by the General Assembly with the mandate to regulate and coordinate conditions of service of United Nations staff by promoting and maintaining high level principles in the international civil service

9. The Commission is made up of fifteen (15) members who perform their duties in their personal capacity. They are appointed by the General Assembly for four (4) years on the basis of geographical representation. The President and Vice-President are permanent and based in New York. The Commission meets twice a year.

10. The mandate of the Commission covers all aspects of employment conditions of employed staff, however its status confers on it responsibilities in specific areas.

11. It makes recommendations to the General Assembly which is empowered to take action for the entire system. It may also make recommendations to Heads of Organizations/Agencies, particularly on policies relating to human resources.

12. Africa is represented in the Commission by Mr. Kingston Rhodes (Sierra Leone), President; Mr. Emmanuel Oti Boateng (Ghana) and Mr. Larbi Djacta (Algeria).

III. **Election for membership of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit** for the period 2016-2021.

- The candidature of Mr Jean Christian Obame of the Republic of Gabon.

13. **Comment** : The Joint Inspection Unit is the only independent external oversight body of the United Nations mandated to conduct evaluations, inspections and investigations in the system. It is composed of eleven Inspectors, who serve in their personal capacity.

The statute of the Joint Inspection Unit was approved by the General Assembly at its thirty-first session in 1976. This statute provides that the membership of this body should not exceed eleven (Resolution 31 /192).

14. In accordance with the procedures described in paragraph 1 of Article 3 of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, the President of the General Assembly, after holding consultations with Member States and establishing a list of countries among those of the African Group of States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, the Group of Asian States, the Group of Eastern European States and the Group of Western European States and other States, requests the countries to propose candidatures for a term of five years as from 1st January.

15. According to paragraph 7 of Resolution 59/267 of the General Assembly dated 23 December 2004, candidates should have experience in at least one of the following areas: control, audit, inspection, investigation, evaluation, finance, project evaluation, programme evaluation, human resource management, public administration, monitoring and implementation of programmes, and they should know the United Nations and its role in international relations.

16. The President of the General Assembly then holds the consultations referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 3 of the Statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, particularly with the President of the Economic and Social Council and the Secretary General in his capacity as Chairperson of the United Nations Chief Executives Board for coordination.

17. After the required consultation, the President of the General Assembly submits to the Assembly the candidatures for membership of the Joint Inspection Unit for a term of office commencing 1st January.

18. The Joint Inspection Unit is currently composed of the following eleven members:

19. At the end of December 2015, the terms of office of four Inspectors of the Joint Inspection Unit will expire. The Inspectors concerned are respectively: Mr. Cihan Terzi (Current President of the Joint Inspection Unit, Turkey), Gérard Biraud (France), Mr. Papa Louis Fall (Senegal) and Mr. István Posta (Hungary).

20. New nominations for these vacant posts will be made during the sixty-ninth session of the United Nations General Assembly in September 2014 for a term of 5 years commencing on 1 January 2016.

IV. Election for membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, during elections to be held in November 2014.

- The candidature of **Mr Ali Eiad Kherde** of the State of Libya.

21. **Comment:** The main tasks of the Committee, established in February 1946, are to consider the draft budget of the General Secretariat and present a report to the General Assembly; advise the Assembly on any administrative and budgetary issue referred to it, review, on behalf of the Assembly, the administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and drafts of funding mechanism of certain services provided to these institutions by the UN; etc. .

22. It is composed of 16 members appointed for 3 renewable years, renewable in a personal capacity including at least 3 financial Experts of recognized competence. These members who should all be of different nationalities, are chosen to ensure a broad geographical representation while taking into consideration their qualifications and their personal experience.

23. **Africa is entitled to 3 posts.** The 3 posts were filled in 2010 by Mr. Collen V. KELAPILE (Botswana); Miss NONYE UDO (Nigeria) and Mrs. Aicha AFIFI (Morocco).

24. **The procedure requires** the General Assembly to appoint members of the Advisory Committee at the regular session immediately preceding the expiry of the term of office of members or, if vacancies subsequently occur, during the next session.

V. Election for membership of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

- The candidature of Mrs. Kheïra Ouguini of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

25. **Comment:** The task of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, established in 1981 under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women dated 18 December 1979, is to monitor the implementation of the Convention.

26. Committee members are elected by secret ballot for four years, from a list of persons nominated by State Parties. Each State Party may nominate one person from among its own nationals. At least 3 months before the date of each election, the United Nations Secretary General sends a letter to State Parties inviting them to submit their candidatures within two months. The Secretary General prepares an alphabetical list of all candidatures, indicating by which State they have been designated and the list is communicated to State Parties. Half of the Committee membership is renewed at each election.

27. The 23 experts of the Committee serve in their personal capacity. 3 terms end on 31.12.2014.

VI. Election for the post of President of the Assembly of Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court during elections to be held in October 2014 in New York.

- The candidature of **Maitre Sidiki Kaba** of the Republic of Senegal.

28. Comment: The International Criminal Court (ICC), established in 2002 and governed by the Rome Statute, is the first permanent international criminal court established to help end the impunity of perpetrators of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community.

29. The ICC is an independent international Organization, which does not belong to the United Nations. It is made up of 117 of the 193 States that the UN recognizes. 35 other states, including Russia and the United States of America, have signed the Rome Statute, but have not ratified it.

30. African State Parties to the Rome Statute are : Burkina Faso, Senegal, Ghana, Mali, Lesotho, Botswana, Sierra Leone, Gabon, South Africa, Nigeria, Central African Republic, Benin, Mauritius, Democratic Republic of Congo, Niger, Uganda, Namibia, Gambia, United Republic of Tanzania, Malawi, Djibouti, Zambia, Guinea, Congo, Burundi, Liberia, Kenya, Comoros, Chad, Madagascar, Seychelles, Tunisia.

31. The President, the two Vice -Presidents and the Bureau of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court are elected by the Assembly.

VII. Re-election for membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union for 2014-2018.

- The candidature of **Burkina Faso**.
- The candidature of **the Peoples Democratic Republic of Algeria**.
- The candidature of **the Republic of Senegal**.

32. Comment : The International Telecommunication Union, established in 1865, became a United Nations specialized agency for Information and Communication

Technology in 1949. The ITU, as a pole of global convergence where public authorities and the private sector meet, helps the world to communicate in three core sectors: radio communication, standardization and development.

33. The main organs of the ITU, made up of more than 193 Member States, are: the Conference of Plenipotentiaries, the Council, the Committee on Radio communication Regulation.

34. Nominative or elective posts within the International Telecommunication Union are : The Secretary General; The Deputy Secretary General, 3 Directors of Bureaux (**Director of Telecommunication Development Bureau, Director of Radio communication Bureau, Director of Standards Bureau**), Council Members, Members of the Committee on Radio communications Regulation.

35. The term of office is 4 years between two Conferences of plenipotentiaries and the electorate is made up of member countries. Voting is conducted at the relative majority.

36. The **ITU Council** was established in 1947 as the Board of Directors, in accordance with a decision of the Conference of plenipotentiaries of 1947. The Council is made up of representatives of at most 25% of the total number of Member States, elected by the Conference of plenipotentiaries, taking due account of the need for equitable distribution of seats among the five world regions (Americas, Western Europe, Africa, Asia and Australasia) .

37. In its present composition, the Council has 48 members. Africa is entitled to 13 seats. African members of the Council are as follows: 2010- 2014: Algeria, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Tunisia.

38. Countries that have occupied the seat in the past are: (2006-2010) Algeria, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tanzania, Tunisia/(2002 - 2006) Algeria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Uganda, South Africa, Tunisia/(1998-2002) Algeria, South Africa, Kenya, Senegal, Morocco, Mali, Egypt, Cameroon, Gabon, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Côte d' Ivoire, Tanzania/(1994-1998) Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Kenya, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Cape Verde, Tanzania

VIII. Re-election for the post of Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in Busan, South Korea.

- The candidature of **Mr. Brahima Sanou** of Burkina Faso.

Comment: According to the information given above.

39. The post of **Director of the Telecommunications Development Bureau** is one of the seven main nominative or elected posts within the International Telecommunication Union namely: The Secretary General, the Deputy Secretary General, the **Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau**, the Director of the Radio communication Bureau, the Director of the Standards Bureau, Council Members and Committee Members of the Committee on Radio communication.

40. In accordance with No. 170 of the General Rules governing conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union, candidatures should reach the Secretary General not later than the 28th day before the Conference at 23h 59 (Geneva time).

41. In order to fully exercise their sovereign right at the Conference of plenipotentiaries, Member States should ensure that they always have their right to vote, in accordance with Nos. 169 and 210 of the Constitution, and that the delegations that will represent them at the Conference will be duly accredited under numbers 325, 327 and 331 of the Convention.

42. Mr Brahima SANOU of Burkina Faso has been occupying this post of Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau since 2011.

43. The former Directors of the Telecommunication Development Bureau are: Mr. Hamadoun TOURE of Mali (1999-2007) and Ahmed LAOUYANE of Tunisia (1995-1999).

IX. Election for membership of the Committee on Telecommunication Regulation of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) during elections to be held in Busan, South Korea from 20 October to 7 November 2014.

- The candidature of **Mrs Anissa Guellal** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

According to the information given above.

44. The Committee on radio telecommunication regulation is one of the nominative or elective posts within the International Telecommunication Union. This position was established in 1992 in place of the Council of International Frequencies Registration.

45. The Committee currently has 12 members, including three Africans at post since 2010 and their mandate ends in 2014. These are: Stanley KAIGE KIBE (Kenya); Mustapha BESSI (Morocco) and Simon KOFFI (Côte d' Ivoire).

46. The Former members are: 2006-2010: Abubakar ZOURMBA (Cameroon); LABBADI Hassan (Morocco); Shola TAYLOR (Nigeria)/2002-2006: Cameroon (A. ZOURMBA); Morocco (M. H. LEBADI), Nigeria (S. Taylor)/1998-2002: Côte d' Ivoire (M. J. B. KOUAKOU YAO), Ghana (Mr. John TANDOH), Morocco (Ahmed TOUMI) / 1994-1998 Zambia (Gerard MUTTI), Côte d' Ivoire (Mr J B KOUAKOU YAO)/1989-1994: Mr M HARBI (Algeria)/1973-1989 : Mr. BERADA (Morocco).

X. Election for the post of Deputy Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the period 2014-2018 during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in Busan, Republic of Korea.

- The candidature of **Eng. Shola TAYLOR** of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- The candidatures of **Mr. MONGI HAMD**I of the Republic of Tunisia
- The candidature of **Mrs. Fatimetou Mint Mohamed Saleck** of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

47. Comment: According to the information given above.

Vacancies within the organization are those of: Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General, 3 Directors of the Bureaux; Members of the Council; Members of the Committee on Radio telecommunication Regulation. Election for these posts is the responsibility of the ITU Conference of plenipotentiaries on the basis of candidatures submitted by the Member States.

48. Election procedures are determined by each Conference. However, the election procedures it adopted in 1994 provided for a secret ballot in which any candidate obtaining a majority of votes more than half of the delegations present and voting would be elected. However, if after three ballots, no candidate receives a majority, a fourth ballot shall be conducted between the two (2) candidates with the highest number of votes.

49. The usual term of office is four years, and the holder is eligible for only one term.

50. The Conference of plenipotentiaries is composed of all ITU Member States. It elects members of the Council with due account of the need for equitable distribution of seats among the five administrative regions of the ITU at the international level: America, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Africa, Asia and Australia. It also elects members of the management team and members of the Committee on Radio communication Regulation Board.

51. Former African Deputy Secretaries General are Mr. Mili Mohameddine Tunisia (1966-1967); Jean Jiguet of Cameroon (1983-1995) and Mrs Henry Chasia Kenya (1995-1999).

XI. Election for Membership of the Board of Directors of the International Labour Organization for the period 2014-2017, during elections to be held in Geneva, Switzerland in July 2014.

- The candidature of **the Republic of Sudan for re-election.**
- The candidature **of the Republic of Angola.**

52. Comment: The International Labour Organization, established in 1919, is responsible globally for developing and overseeing international labor standards. The

ILO aims to promote social justice and internationally recognized rights of the human person and work. It is composed of 183 member states.

53. The Board of Directors is composed of 56 people: 28 government representatives, 14 representatives of employers and 14 representing workers.

54. Of the 28 persons representing governments, ten shall be appointed by the Members whose industrial importance is the most considerable and 18 will be appointed by Members appointed for this purpose by the Government delegates to the Conference, excluding delegates of the 10 above cited members. Persons representing employers and those representing workers shall be elected respectively by the delegates of employers and workers to the Conference.

55. The Council is renewed every 3 years. It elects a President and two Vice - Presidents. Among these three persons, one represents the government and the other 2 are respectively representatives of employers and workers.

56. The Government Group for Africa is made up of full members and deputy members.

57. Full Members are made up of Congo, Egypt, Niger and the United Republic of Tanzania, Togo, Zambia. And deputy members are : Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Ghana, Kenya, Sudan, Zimbabwe.

58. African Members of the Employers Group are: Mr S Allam (Egypt); Mr. A Frimpong (Ghana); Mr. A. Jeetun (Mauritius); Mrs. J. Mugo (Kenya); Mr. M. Mdwaba (South Africa); Mr. M. Megateli (Algeria); Mr. L. Traore (Mali); Mr. A. Savane (Guinea); Mr. A. Yuma (Democratic Republic of Congo); Mr. F. Atwoli (Kenya); Mr K. Asamoah (Ghana); Mrs. R . Diallo (Guinea); Mr. F. Djondang (Chad) Mrs M.Francisco (Angola).

59. African Members of the Workers Group are : Mrs. H. Kaddous (Algeria); Mrs L. Matibenga (Zimbabwe); Mr. B. Ntshalintshali (South Africa).

60. The mandate of Members of the Board of Directors in place since 2011 will expire in 2014.

XII. Election for the post of non- permanent member of the United Nations Security Council:

- The candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** for the period 2016-2017;
- The candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea** for the period 2018-2019.
- The candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia** for the period 2020-2021.

61. Comment: As provided for in Article 23 of Chapter V of the UN Charter, the United Nations Security Council is composed of fifteen members including five (5) permanent members (China, United States of America, France, United Kingdom, Russia) and ten (10) non-permanent members.

62. The 1963 amendment established a fair geographical distribution of seats of non-permanent members. These seats are distributed systematically:

- 5 Member States from Africa and Asia (usually three in Africa and two in Asia);
- 1 Member State from Eastern Europe;
- 2 Member States from Latin America;
- 2 Member States from the Group of Western European States and other States.

63. Non-permanent members of the Security Council are elected by the General Assembly for a term of two years, on the basis of their contribution to the maintenance of peace and security. They are renewed by half every year. Outgoing members are not immediately eligible. To be elected, a State should be supported by two-thirds of those voting at the General Assembly. In practice, each regional group (unofficial but made for electoral purposes) appoints his or her candidates, who are then voted by the General Assembly.

64. Africa is represented in the Security Council for the period 2014-2015 by Chad on rotation between Central Africa and North Africa while Nigeria occupies a seat under West Africa.

65. Elected States are represented in the Security Council by their accredited permanent representatives. Presidents of the Republic, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs may serve on the Council without having to comply with the requirements of accreditation.

NB : List of African countries never elected members of the Security Council : Eritrea, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Central African Republic, Sao Tome and Principe, Seychelles, Swaziland.

XIII. Election for the post of Regional Director of the World Health Organization during elections to be held in September 2014 in Benin.

- The candidature of **Dr. Fatoumate Nafu Traore** of the Republic of Mali;
- The candidature of **Dr. Matshidiso** of the Republic of Botswana;

- The candidature of **Professor Thérèse Aya N'Dri-Yoman** of the Republic of Côte d' Ivoire;
- The candidature of **Dr. Jean Marie OkwoBele** of the Democratic Republic of Congo;
- The candidature of **Professor Dorothée Kinde-Gazard Akoko** of the Republic of Benin.

66. Comment: The World Health Organization is a United Nations agency established on 7 April 1948, with the mission to lead the global health action, define health research programmes, set norms and criteria, present policy options based on reliable data, provide technical support to countries, monitor and assess trends in public health. It has 192 Member States and two associate members.

67. The structure of the WHO is composed of: the World Health Assembly, the Executive Council and the Secretariat. The functioning of the Organization is organized around the Director General, Deputy Director General, Assistant Directors General and Regional Directors.

68. Regional Directors are elected by the Executive Council for a term of five years, renewable once.

69. Regional committees are composed of representatives of Member States and Associate Members of the region concerned. The Head of the regional office is the Regional Director appointed by the Council in accordance with the regional committee.

70. The regional Office for Africa is in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo. It is managed by Dr Luis Sambo of the Republic of Angola, in office since 2005. The former Regional Directors for Africa are: Dr Malick Samba of Gambia (1995 - 2005); Dr. G. Monekosso of Cameroon (1985-1995); Dr. Alfred A. Quenum of Benin (1965-1984) and; Dr F.J. Cambounac of Portugal (1954-1964).

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THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM,
23 JUNE 2014, MALABO (EQUATORIAL GUINEA)**

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Ministerial Committee on African candidatures within the international system met in its Twenty-Fifth Ordinary Session on 23 June 2014 in Malabo (Equatorial Guinea), under the Chairmanship of H.E. Hon. Sam KUTESA, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uganda.

2. After declaring the meeting open and the usual protocol formalities, the Chairperson presented the items on the agenda of the meeting.

3. He gave the floor to the Representative of the Political Affairs Directorate to present the Report on the status of implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.821(XXIV) and the new African candidatures within the international system on which the committee is called upon to make recommendations to the 25th Ordinary Session of the Executive Council.

4. The Chairperson then gave the floor to the Representative of the Office of the Legal Counsel who presented the draft revised rules of procedure and the report of the Permanent Representatives Committee mandated to work on the initial draft to be submitted to the Executive Council.

II. PARTICIPATION

5. In attendance were the following Member States of the Committee: Algeria, Angola, South Africa, Benin, Burundi, Cameroon, Djibouti, Gambia, Malawi, Mauritius, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Chad, Tunisia and Uganda.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

6. The following agenda was adopted by the Committee:

- (i) Implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.780(XXIII);
- (ii) Consideration of African candidatures for posts within the international system;
- (iii) Any other business.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION EX.CL/Dec.780(XXIII)

7. The Committee took note of the status of implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.821(XXIV) on African candidatures endorsed at the 24th session held in January 2014 in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia).

V. DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8. With regard to new candidatures to positions in the international system, the Committee decided to consider only candidatures whose elections will be held this year and defer the consideration of other candidatures to Committee sessions preceding these elections.

9. The Committee endorsed the following candidatures:

- (i) **for the post of Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization** for the period 2016-2020, the candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa** of South Africa.
- (ii) **for the post of Member and Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission** for the period 2015-2018 during elections to be held in New York in 2014, the candidature of **Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes** of the Republic of Sierra Leone.
- (iii) **for membership of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit** for the period 2016-2021, the candidature of **Mr Jean Christian Obame** of the Republic of Gabon.
- (iv) **for membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Ali Eiad Krer** of the state of Libya.
- (v) **for membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**, the candidature of **Mrs. Kheïra Ouguini** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.
- (vi) **for the post of Chairperson of the Assembly of Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court** during elections to be held in October 2014 in New York, the candidature of **Maitre Sidiki Kaba** of the Republic of Senegal.
- (vii) **for membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union** for the period 2014-2018, the candidature of **Burkina Faso**, the candidature of the **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** and the candidature of **the Republic of Ghana**.
- (viii) **for the post of Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union** during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in Busan, South Korea, the candidature of **Mr. Brahma Sanou** of Burkina Faso.

- (ix) **for membership of the Committee on Radio communication Regulation (RRB) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)** during elections to be held in Busan, South Korea, from 20 October to 7 November 2014, the candidature of **Mrs Anissa Guellal** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria;
- (x) **for membership of the Board of Directors of the International Labour Office** for 2014-2017, the candidature of the Republic of Sudan Republic of Angola, following consultations by the Commission of Labour and Social Affairs, in accordance with Decision EX.CL.Dec.398 (XII) which requires that candidatures for positions within the International Labour organization should follow this procedure.

10. The Committee also decided to endorse late candidatures which are not detrimental to those submitted on time.

- (i) **for the post of Judge at the International Criminal Court**, the candidature of **Maitre Reine Alapini Gansou** of the Republic of Benin.
- (ii) **for membership of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Independent Audit** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Richard Quartei Quartey** of the Republic of Ghana;
- (iii) **for the post of Secretary General of the African Union Telecommunications**, the candidature of Abdoukarim Soumaila of the Republic of Niger.
- (iv) **for membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**, the re-election of **Mrs. Navamane Ratna (Pramila) Patten of Mauritius**
- (v) **For membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child** during elections to be held on 25 June 2014, in New York, the candidature of **Mr. Sambala Traore** of the Republic of Mali, the candidature of **Mr. Hatem Kotrane** of the Republic of Tunisia, the candidature of **Mrs Louisa Oussedik** of the Peoples' Democratic Republic of Algeria;
- (vi) **For membership** of the Human Rights Council for the period 2015-2017, the candidature of the Republic of **Botswana**.
- (vii) **For the post** of Coordinator of Developing Countries within the Global Partnership for Effective Development, the candidature of the Republic of Uganda;

11. Regarding posts of non-permanent members of the UN Security Council, the Committee decided to approve, well in advance, only candidatures of countries

endorsed by their region. **The Committee therefore approved the following for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council:**

- (xi) For the period 2016-2017, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal**;
- (xii) For the period 2018-2019, the candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea**;
- (xiii) For the period 2020-2021, the candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia**;

12. Regarding the post of Regional Director of the World Health Organization, since the Committee had noted that this is a position that comes to Africa, it decided to validate the following five candidatures and refer candidatures to the electorate of the organization to choose the best candidature. It concerns the candidature of:

- (xiv) **Dr. Fatoumate Nafo Traore** of the Republic of Mali;
- (xv) **Dr. Matshidiso Moeti** of the Republic of Botswana;
- (xvi) **Professor Thérèse Aya N'Dri-Yoman** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire;
- (xvii) **Dr. Jean Marie Okwo Bele** of the Democratic Republic of Congo;
- (xviii) **Professor Kinde Gazard Akoko-Dorotheé** of the Republic of Benin.

13. Regarding the post of Deputy Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the period 2014-2018, **the Committee requested the countries listed below which have submitted candidatures to conduct consultations to nominate a single candidate.**

- (xix) the Federal Republic of Nigeria for the candidature of **Eng. Shola Taylor**;
- (xx) the Republic of Tunisia for the candidature of **Mr. Mongi Hamdi**;
- (xxi) the Islamic Republic of Mauritania for the candidature of **Mrs. Fatimetou Mint Mohamed Saleck**.

14. The Committee decided to defer consideration of the following candidatures to the session preceding the election, namely:

- (viii) The January 2015 session, the candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa** of the Republic of South Africa for the post of Deputy Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization for the period 2016 to 2020, during election to be held in May 2015.

- (ix) The January 2015 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal for the post of** non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2016-2017;
- (x) The January 2017 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2018-2019;
- (xi) The January 2019 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2020-2021.

VI. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**DECISION ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES
WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM
Dec.EX.CL / (XXIV)**

The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Ministerial Committee on African candidatures within the international system;
2. **ENDORSES** the following candidatures.:
 - (xii) **for the post of Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization** for the period 2016-2020, the candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa**, of South Africa;
 - (xiii) **for membership and for the post of Chairperson of the International Civil Service Commission** for the period 2015-2018 during elections to be held in New York in 2014, the candidature of **Mr. Kingston Rhodes Papie** of the Republic of Sierra Leone;
 - (xiv) **(xiv) for membership of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit** for the period 2016-2021, the candidature of **Mr Jean Christian Obame** of the Republic of Gabon;
 - (xv) **for membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Ali Eiad Krer** of the state of Libya
 - (xvi) **for membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**, the candidature of **Mrs. Kheïra Ouguini** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria;
 - (xvii) **for the post of President of the Assembly of Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court** during elections to be held in October 2014 in New York, the candidature of **Maitre Sidiki Kaba** of the Republic of Senegal;
 - (xviii) **for the post of Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau** of the International Telecommunication Union during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in Busan, South Korea, the candidature of **Mr. Brahima Sanou** of Burkina Faso;
 - (xix) **for membership of the committee on Radio communication Regulation (RRB)** of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) during elections to be held in Busan, South Korea, from 20 October to 7 November 2014, the candidature of **Mrs Anissa Guellal** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria;

- (xx) **(xx) for the post of judge at the International Criminal Court**, the candidature of **Maitre Reine Alapini Gansou** of the Republic of Benin;
- (xxi) **for membership of the UN Advisory Committee on Independent Audit** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Richard Quartei Quartey** of the Republic of Ghana;
- (xxii) **for the post of Secretary General of the African Union Telecommunication**, the candidature of **Mr. Abdoukarim Soumaila** of the Republic of Niger;
- (xxiii) **for membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**, the re-election of **Mrs. Navamane Ratna (Pramila) Patten** of Mauritius;
- (xxiv) **for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child** during elections to be held on 25 June 2014 in New York, the candidature of Mr. Sambala Traore of the Republic of Mali, the candidature of **Mr. Hatem Kotrane** of the Republic of Tunisia, the candidature of **Mrs Louisa Oussedik** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

3. FURTHER APPROVES:

- (xxv) the candidature of **Burkina Faso, the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** and the candidature of **the Republic of Ghana** for **membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union** for the period 2014-2018;
- (xxvi) the candidature of the Republic of Sudan / Republic of Angola for **membership of the Board of Directors of the International Labour Office** for the 2014-2017 period, according to consultation by the Commission and Social Affairs in pursuance of Decision EX.CL.Dec.398 (XII);
- (xxvii) the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Council for the period 2016-2017;
- (xxviii) the candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2018-2019;
- (xxix) the candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2020-2021;
- (xxx) the candidature of **the Republic of Ghana** for re-election for membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union during

elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in the Republic of Korea;

(xxxix) the candidature of **the Republic of Botswana** for membership of the Human Rights Council for the period 2015-2017;

(xxxix) the candidature of **the Republic of Uganda** for the post of Coordinator of Developing Countries within the Global Partnership for Effective Development;

4. **TAKES NOTE and decides**

(xxxiii) Due to the nature of the competition among Africans, to refer candidates to the electorate of the organization to choose the best candidature. This concerns the candidature of **Dr Fatoumate Nafo Traore** of the Republic of Mali; **Dr. Matshidiso Moeti** of the Republic of Botswana; **Professor Thérèse Aya N'Dri-Yoman** of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire; **Dr. Jean Marie Okwo Bele** of the Democratic Republic of Congo; **Professeur Kinde Gazard Akoko-Dorotheé** of the Republic of Benin;

(xxxiv) to request countries that have submitted candidatures for the post of Deputy Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the period 2014-2018, to conduct consultations to nominate a single candidate. These are: the Federal Republic of Nigeria for the candidature of Eng. Shola Taylor; the Republic of Tunisia for the candidature of Mr. Mongi Hamdi; and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, for the candidature of Mrs. Fatimetou Mint Mohamed Saleck;

5. **TAKES NOTE and decides** to defer consideration of the following five nominations to the session preceding the election, namely

(xxxv) The January 2015 session, the candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa** of the Republic of South Africa, for the post of Deputy Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization for the period 2016 to 2020, during elections to be held in May 2015;

(xxxvi) The January 2015 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2016-2017;

(xxxvii) The January 2017 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2018-2019;

(xxxviii) The January 2019 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2020-2021.

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The African Union Commission presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs / External Relations of members of the Ministerial Committee on candidatures and has the honour to inform the latter that the Ministerial Committee on candidatures will meet on the sidelines of the 25th Ordinary Session of the Executive Council scheduled for Malabo, Equatorial Guinea on 23 June 2014 from 14.00hrs to 15.00hrs to consider African candidatures within the international system. The venue will be communicated later.

Attached documents:

1. Draft Agenda
2. Rules of Procedure of the Ministerial Committee on candidatures
3. List of candidatures

The African Union Commission avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs / External Relations of Member States of the Ministerial Committee on Candidatures, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Addis Ababa, 21 May 21 2014

**TO: THE MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS /
EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF MEMBER STATES OF
THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATURES OF
MEMBER STATES OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

1. Republic of Uganda
2. Republic of South Africa
3. Republic of Sierra Leone
4. People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
5. Republic of Cameroon.
6. Republic of Burundi
7. Republic of Chad
8. Republic of Djibouti
9. Republic of Mauritius
10. Republic of Tunisia
11. Republic of Angola

12. Republic of Malawi
13. Republic of Benin
14. Republic of the Gambia
15. Republic of Senegal

cc: Embassies of Member States of
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MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE OF CANDIDATURES

23 JUIN 2014

Malabo, Equatorial Guinea

Implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.810 (XXIV)

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At its 24th Ordinary Session held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, the Executive Council adopted the Decision EX.CL/Dec.810 (XXIV) in which it supported a series of African candidatures within the international system. The results of these selections are as follows:

- **Mr Clément Atangana** of Cameroon and **Mr Azzouz Kerdoum** of Algeria, for re-election for membership of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights:
- **Mr. Martin CHUNGONG** of Cameroon for the post of Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
- **Mr. Basharu Umaru** Nigeria and Mr. Pyaneandee Coomara of Mauritius, for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities:
- **Mr. Geoffrey Onyeama** of Nigeria, for the post of Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization: **HAS NOT BEEN ELECTED**
- **Mr Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua** of the Democratic Republic of Congo, for the post of judge at the International Criminal Court:
- **Judge Albertus Jacobus** of South Africa and **Judge James Luta Kateka** of Tanzania for re-election for the post of Judge at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for the period **2014-2016**:
- **Republic of Angola** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2015-2016:

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3. List of Nominations

The African Union Commission avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs/External Relations of the Ministerial Committee on candidatures, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Addis Ababa, 21 May 2014

**TO: MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS/
EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF THE MINISTERIAL
COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATURES OF MEMBER STATES
OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

1. Republic of Uganda
2. Republic of South Africa
3. Republic of Sierra Leone
4. Peoples' Democratic Republic of Algeria.
5. Republic of Cameroon

6. Republic of Burundi
7. Republic of Chad
8. Republic of Djibouti
9. Republic of Mauritius
10. Republic of Tunisia
11. Republic of Angola
12. Republic of Malawi
13. Republic of Benin
14. Republic of The Gambia
15. Republic of Senegal

cc: Embassies of Member States
of the Ministerial Committee on candidatures
in Addis Ababa

CANDIDATURES RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE

COUNTRY	POST	OBSERVATIONS
Botswana	Dr Athaliah Lesiba Molokomme , for the post of President of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute establishing the International Criminal Court for the period 2015-2018 during elections scheduled for 7 to 18 December 2014 in New York	These candidatures will not be considered because there is a candidature deposited within the deadline that of Mr. Sidiki Kaba of Senegal
Sierra Leone	Amb.Vandi Chidi Minah , for the post of President of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute establishing the International Criminal Court for the period 2015-2018 during elections scheduled for 7 to 18 December 2014 in New York.	
Ghana	Candidature of Ghana for re-election for membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union during elections scheduled for 20 October to 7 November 2014 in the Republic of Korea.	
Benin	Maitre Reine Alapini Gansou , for the post of Judge at the International Criminal Court	
Mali	Mr Sambala Traore for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child during elections to be held on 25 June 2014 in New York.	

COUNTRY	POST	OBSERVATIONS
Tunisia	Mr Hatem Kotrane , for re-election for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child during elections to be held on 25 June 2014 in New York.	These candidatures could be considered if the Committee so decides. They do not hinder candidatures deposited within the deadline
Algeria	Mrs Louisa Oussedik , for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child during elections to be held in New York on 25 June 2014.	
Ghana	Mr Richard Quartey Quartey , for membership of the UN Advisory Committee on Independent Audit during elections to be held in November 2014.	
Niger	Mr Abdoukarim Soumaila , for the post of Secretary General of the African Telecommunications Union	
Botswana	Candidature of Botswana for membership of the Human Rights Council for the period 2015-2017.	
Uganda	Candidature of Uganda for the post of Coordinator of Developing Countries within the World Partnership for Effective Development.	
Mauritius	Candidature of Mrs Navamane Ratna (Pramila) Patten of Mauritius for re-election for membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.	

COUNTRY	POST	OBSERVATIONS
Nigeria	Dr Akinwuni Adesina for the post of President of the African Development Bank during elections scheduled for the middle of 2015.	This candidature is premature. It should be considered during the January 2015 session.
Algeria	Mr Slimane Hachi for membership of the Intergovernmental Committee for the safeguard of the intangible cultural heritage during elections scheduled for Paris from 2 to 5 June 2014.	
Niger	Mr Farka Soumaila for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities during elections to be held in New York from 10 to 12 June 2014	The time limit is exceeded since the elections are scheduled before the Committee Session (before 23 June 2014)
Kenya	Dr Kibaya Imaana Laibuta for membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities during elections to be held in New York from 10 to 12 June 2014.	

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