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**REPORT ON APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) FEMALE  
MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE  
RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE CHILD  
FROM THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT**

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FEMALE MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE  
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1. The election of the Members of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC) is governed by the provisions of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (the Charter) and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.

2. The ACERWC is established by Article 33 (1) of the Charter which provides that the ACERWC shall consist of eleven (11) Members of high moral standing, integrity, impartiality and competence in matters of the rights and welfare of the child. Members of the ACERWC serve in their personal capacity.

3. The Commission would like to inform the Executive Council that a vacancy arose in the ACERWC due to the passing of Hon. Dr Azza Al Ashmawy, from the Arab Republic of Egypt. The late Hon. Ashmawy was appointed as a Member of the ACERWC by decision Assembly/AU/Dec.702 (XXXI) of July 2018 for a term of five (5) years, pursuant to the provision of Article 37(1) of the Charter.

4. In this regard **Article 39 of the Charter** provides for the procedure when a vacancy arises in the **ACERWC** as follows:

*“If a member of the Committee vacates his office for any reason other than the normal expiration of a term, the State which nominated that member shall appoint another member from among its nationals to serve for the remainder of the term – subject to the approval of the Assembly”.*

5. Accordingly, the Arab Republic of Egypt submitted a candidature to serve as a member of the ACERWC, for the remainder of the term of office of the late Hon. Ashmawy, whose 5 year term would expire in July 2023.

6. The Commission would like to inform the Executive Council that the candidature received by the Commission from the Arab Republic of Egypt is as follows:

NO.	NAME	COUNTRY	REGION	GENDER
1	<b>Amb. Moushira KHATTAB</b>	Egypt	North	F

7. It will be recalled that the Assembly wide decision Assembly/AU/Dec.760(XXXIII) adopted in February 2020 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia delegated its authority of appointment of members of AU Organs and institutions, including the ACERWC, to the Executive Council. In this regard the above mentioned candidate is submitted to the Executive Council for approval and appointment.

**DRAFT DECISION ON THE APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1)  
FEMALE MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE  
RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE CHILD  
FROM THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT**

**The Executive Council,**

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Commission on the Approval of Appointment of One (1) Female Member of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child from the Arab Republic of Egypt.
2. **APPROVES** the appointment of **Amb. Moushira KHATTAB** to serve the remainder of the term of the late Hon. Dr Azza Al Ashmawy, until **July 2023:**

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