

**DECISION ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES FOR POSTS
WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM
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The Executive Council,

1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures for Posts within the International System;

2. APPROVES the following:

- i) Election to the post of Member of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ECOSOC), during elections scheduled for April 2016 in New York, the candidature of *the Honourable Marc France Eddy Balancy*, Judge of the Supreme Court of *the Republic of Mauritius*;
- ii) Election to the post of Secretary General of the International Seabed Authority, during the elections scheduled for July 2016 in Kingston, Jamaica, *the candidature of Mr. Nii Allotey Odunton of the Republic of Ghana*;
- iii) Election to the post of President of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), during elections scheduled for November 2016, *the candidature of Dr. Olumuyima Benard Aliu, of the Federal Republic of Nigeria*;
- iv) Election to the post of Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) during elections scheduled for May 2017 on the occasion of the 70th Session of the World Health Assembly, the candidature of *H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia*;
- v) Election as Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea during elections scheduled for June 2017 in New York, the candidature of *Mr. Boualem Bouguetala* of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria;
- vi) Election to the post of Member of the United Nations International Law Commission (ILC), during elections scheduled for November 2016 on the occasion of the Seventy-First Session of the United Nations General Assembly, the candidature of:
 - Dr. Yacouba CISSE, *of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire*;
 - Prof. Chris Maina, *of the United Republic of Tanzania*;
 - Mr Dire David Tladi *of the Republic of South Africa*;

² Reservation entered by the Republic of Senegal

- Honourable Amos Wako *of the Republic of Kenya*;

- Ambassador Hussein Hassouna *of the Arab Republic of Egypt.*
- vii) Re-election as Member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) at elections scheduled for 2017, the candidature of *Ms Jilary Amesika Gbedemah from the Republic of Ghana;*
- viii) Re-election to the post of Director General of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) at elections scheduled for October 2016, the candidature of Ambassador Bishar Hussein *of the Republic of Kenya;*
- ix) Election to the post of Secretary General of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization, at elections scheduled for August 2016, *the candidature of Prof. Kennedy Godfrey Gastorn, from the United Republic of Tanzania.*

3. ALSO TAKES NOTE and DECIDES to approve the following candidatures for:

- i) Election to the post of Non-Permanent Member of the United Nations Security Council for the period 2017-2018, *the candidature of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia;*
- ii) Election to the post of Member of the United Nations Human Rights Council for the period 2017-2019, *the candidature of:*
 - *the Republic of Tunisia;*
 - *the Arab Republic of Egypt.*
- iii) Election to the post of Member of the United Nations Economic and Social Council for the period 2017-2020, during elections scheduled in April 2016:
 - the candidature of the Republic of Cameroon (under Central Africa);
 - the candidature of the Republic of Chad (under Central Africa);
 - the candidature of the Kingdom of Swaziland (under Southern Africa).

NB: The Permanent Representatives' Committee should facilitate consultations between Togo, Mali and Benin for the nomination of a representative from West Africa within the Council.

- iv) **Election** to the post of Member of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Category 3, at elections scheduled for October 2016 during the 39th ICAO Assembly, the candidature of the Republic of Kenya;
- v) Election to the post of Member of the Council of the Universal Postal Union and the Pan-African Council of Administration for the period 2016-2020, at elections scheduled for mid-June 2016 in Switzerland, the candidature of the Republic of Uganda.

4. **ALSO DECIDES** to defer consideration of the of the candidature of *Mr Ali Ayad Kurer* of the State of Libya for the post of Member of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit for the period 2018-2023, during elections scheduled for November 2016 in New York, until the July 2016 Session;
5. **FURTHER DECIDES** on the establishment of a Sub-committee within the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC), responsible for following-up on candidatures approved by the Executive Council and **REQUESTS** the PRC to make provisions for the necessary financial resources for the implementation of this decision and the smooth functioning of the Ministerial Committee on African Candidatures within the International System;
6. **REQUESTS** the Commission in collaboration with the PRC through its relevant Sub-Committee to report on the implementation of this decision, where applicable, to the next ordinary session of the Executive Council scheduled for July 2016.