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**Subject: Call for applications for five vacancies of special procedure mandate holders to be appointed at the 38th session of the Human Rights Council [[1]](#footnote-1)**

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations and other human rights bodies, and has the honour to inform them that the following five mandate holders are to be appointed at the thirty-eighth session of the Council (18 June to 6 July 2018):

1. **Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment** [HRC res. 28/11]
2. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran** [HRC res. 34/23]
3. **Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from African States** [HRC res. 35/7]
4. **Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Eastern European States** [HRC res. 35/7]
5. **Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Western European and other States** [HRC res. 33/4]

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **4 May 2018 (12 noon Greenwich Mean Time / GMT)** through the on-line application procedure, which consists of (1) an online survey and (2) an application form in Word format. Updated information on the selection and appointment procedure is available at the following web page: [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx)

In case of technical difficulties, the Secretariat may be contacted by email athrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org or by fax at + 41 22 917 9008.

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations and other human rights bodies the assurances of its highest consideration.

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1. The appointment of mandate holders will take place provided the related mandates are extended by the Human Rights Council. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)