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Subject: Extension of the deadline for applications for two vacancies of Working Group members to be appointed at the 45th session of the Human Rights Council

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, further to its note verbale dated 22 June 2020, **the deadline to apply only for the following two posts of Working Group members has been extended to 11 August 2020 at 12 noon Greenwich Mean Time / GMT**:

1. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from African States (HRC resolution 36/6)¹**
2. **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 Asia-Pacific States (HRC resolution 42/9)**

Additional information on the selection and appointment procedure is available at the following web page: <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx>.

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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 this special procedure mandate holder will be made provided the mandate itself is extended by the Human Rights Council.