6 July 2021

Excellencies,

In my capacity as President of the Human Rights Council, I have the honour to submit for your attention the list of candidates proposed for three, out of seven, vacancies of special procedure mandate holders scheduled to be filled at the 47th session of the Human Rights Council (listed in alphabetical order):

1. **Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights**
2. **Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences**
3. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States**

In follow-up to my letters of 21 and 25 June 2021, and in accordance with paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, upon receipt respectively of the Consultative Group’s addendum 1, dated 14 June 2021, and addendum 2, dated 25 June 2021, to its report, I have held broad consultations in particular through the regional coordinators and based on the recommendations of the Consultative Group, to ensure the endorsement of my proposed candidates.

Following my thorough consultations with States and other relevant stakeholders, I have decided to follow the first recommendation of the Consultative Group for all three mandates.

As to the **Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights**, I propose for appointment **Ms.** **Attiya WARIS (Kenya)**.

In relation to the **Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Reem ALSALEM (Jordan)**.

With regard to the **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Gabriella CITRONI (Italy)**.

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva

For sake of completeness, allow me to remind that I also followed the first recommendation of the Consultative Group, included in its report of 2 June 2021, for the following four mandates.

As to the **Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with albinism**, I proposed for appointment **Ms. Muluka-Anne MITI-DRUMMOND (Zambia)**.

In relation to the **Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy,** I proposed for appointment **Ms.** **Ana BRIAN NOUGRERES (Uruguay)**.

With regard to the position of **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States**, I proposed for appointment **Mr.** **Sushil RAJ (India)**.

For the position of **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Eastern European States**, I proposed for appointment **Ms. Miriam EKIUDOKO (Hungary)**.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Consultative Group for their hard work, which has facilitated my efforts to identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Nazhat Shameem KHAN

President of the Human Rights Council

**Mandate holders**

**to be appointed at the 47th session of the Human Rights Council**

1. Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights (HRC res. 46/8)

**Ms. Attiya WARIS (F) (Kenya)**

2. Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with albinism (HRC res. 46/12)

**Ms. Muluka-Anne MITI-DRUMMOND (F) (Zambia)**

3. Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy (HRC res. 46/16)

**Ms.** **Ana BRIAN NOUGRERES (F) (Uruguay)**

4. Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences (HRC res. 41/17)

**Ms.** **Reem ALSALEM (F) (Jordan)**

5. Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States (HRC res. 45/24)

**Mr.** **Sushil RAJ (M) (India)**

6. Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Eastern European States (HRC res. 45/24)

**Ms. Miriam EKIUDOKO (F) (Hungary)**

7. Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States (HRC res. 45/3)

**Ms. Gabriella CITRONI (F) (Italy)**