**Subject: Applications for vacancies of mandate holders to be appointed at the 47th 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 the following mandate holders are to be appointed at the forty-seventh session of the Council (21 June to 9 July 2021). The appointment of the mandate holders for the mandates marked by an asterisk will be made provided the mandates themselves are extended by the Council.

1. **Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism** ([Human Rights Council resolution 37/5](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/37/5))\*
2. **Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy** ([Human Rights Council resolution 37/2](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/37/2))\*
3. **Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences** ([Human Rights Council resolution 41/17](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/41/17))
4. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States** ([Human Rights Council resolution 45/24](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/45/24))
5. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Eastern European States** ([Human Rights Council resolution 45/24](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/45/24))
6. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States** ([Human Rights Council resolution 45/3](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/45/3))

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **13 April 2021 at 12 noon Geneva time** 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, as well as the call for applications in the six United Nations official languages, are available at the following web page:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx>

In case of technical difficulties, the Secretariat may be contacted by email athrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org

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