



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

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13 February 2023

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 ten vacancies of mandate holders that are to be filled at the fifty-second session of the Human Rights Council (listed in alphabetical order):

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development, member from African States (Human Rights Council resolution 42/23)**
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development, member from Asia-Pacific States (Human Rights Council resolution 42/23)**
3. **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development, member from Eastern European States (Human Rights Council resolution 42/23)**
4. **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development, member from Western European and other States (Human Rights Council resolution 42/23)**
5. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, member from Asia (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)**
6. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, member from the Arctic (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)**
7. **Special Rapporteur on the right to development (Human Rights Council resolution 51/7)**
8. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Russian Federation (Human Rights Council resolution 51/25)**
9. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States (Human Rights Council resolution 45/24)**
10. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Latin American and Caribbean States (Human Rights Council resolution 45/3)**

In follow-up to my letter of 30 January 2023, and in accordance with paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, upon receipt of the Consultative Group's report, dated 30 January 2023, 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.

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva



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Following my consultations with States and other relevant stakeholders, I have decided to follow the recommendation of the Consultative Group for the ten vacancies.

As to the **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development**, member from **African States**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Bonny IBHAWOH (Nigeria)**.

In relation to the **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development**, member from **Asia-Pacific States**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Mihir KANADE (India)**.

For the **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development**, member from **Eastern European States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Klentiana MAHMUTAJ (Albania)**.

With regard to the **Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development**, member from **Western European and other States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Isabelle DURANT (Belgium)**.

Concerning the **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**, member from **Asia**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Binota Moy DHAMAI (Bangladesh)**.

Regarding the **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**, member from **the Arctic**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Dalee SAMBO DOROUGH (United States of America)**.

As to the position of **Special Rapporteur on the right to development**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Surya DEVA (India)**.

For the position of **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Russian Federation**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Mariana KATZAROVA (Bulgaria)**.

In relation to the **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent**, member from **Asia-Pacific States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Bina D'COSTA (Bangladesh)**.

Concerning the **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**, member from **Latin American and Caribbean States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Ana Lorena DELGADILLO PEREZ (Mexico)**.

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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'V. Bálek', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Václav Bálek
President of the Human Rights Council