



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

30 June 2023

Excellencies,

I have the honour to make reference to my letter dated 5 June 2023, which contained the list of proposed candidates for the four vacancies of mandate holders that are to be filled at the fifty-third session of the Human Rights Council.

Following the circulation of that letter, in accordance with paragraph 53 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, I have conducted further consultations to ensure the endorsement of the proposed candidates by the members of the Human Rights Council. As a result of my extensive consultations with delegations from all regional groups, and against the background of the criteria contained in paragraph 39 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, I have the honour to submit for your attention a revised list of candidates proposed for the four vacancies of mandate holders that are to be filled at the fifty-third session of the Human Rights Council (listed in alphabetical order):

1. **Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity (Human Rights Council resolution 44/11)¹**
2. **Special Rapporteur on minority issues (Human Rights Council resolution 52/5)**
3. **Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (Human Rights Council resolution 52/20)**
4. **Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (Human Rights Council resolution 49/10)**

As to the mandate of **Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Cecilia BAILLIET (Argentina)**.

In relation to the mandate of **Special Rapporteur on minority issues**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Nicolas LEVRAT (Switzerland)**.

For the mandate of **Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Diego ACOSTA ARCARAZO (Spain)**.

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva

¹ The appointment of the mandate holder will be made provided the mandate itself is extended by the Human Rights Council.



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With regard to the mandate of **Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Ben SAUL (Australia)**.

I would like to reiterate my thanks to the members of the Consultative Group for their work and to express my deepest gratitude to all stakeholders for their constructive approach and efforts to find a consensus on this matter.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'V. BALEK', written over a faint blue circular stamp.

Václav BÁLEK
President of the Human Rights Council