



Sixteenth session  
Agenda item 56 (a)

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF SUBSIDIARY  
BODIES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Antonio ARRAIZ (Venezuela)

1. At its 892nd meeting, held on 29 November 1961, the Fifth Committee considered the notes by the Secretary-General (A/4821; A/C.5/L.698), concerning the following six vacancies in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

- (a) Three vacancies which will occur on 31 December 1961 as a result of the expiration of the terms of office of three of its members; and
- (b) Three vacancies which arise as a result of the adoption by the General Assembly of resolution 1659 (XVI) of 28 November 1961, which provides for an enlargement of the Advisory Committee from nine to twelve members.

2. The members of the Fifth Committee had previously been invited to suggest the names of persons who might be recommended to the General Assembly for appointment to the Advisory Committee in accordance with the provisions of rules 156 and 157 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. At the time the matter was considered by the Fifth Committee, six names had been put forward in respect of the above-mentioned vacancies.

3. To decide who should be recommended for appointment, the Committee voted by secret ballot, the result of which was as follows:

<u>Number of ballot papers:</u>	61
<u>Invalid ballots:</u>	0
<u>Number of valid ballots:</u>	61
<u>Abstentions:</u>	0
<u>Number of members voting:</u>	61
<u>Required majority:</u>	31
<u>Number of votes obtained:</u>	
Mr. Alfonso Grez	59
Mr. Mohamed Abdel Magid Ahmed	58
Mr. Albert F. Bender	58
Mr. C.H.W. Hodges	57
Mr. E. Olu Sanu	57
Mr. Dragos Serbanescu	41

One other person received three votes.

4. The Committee then considered the question how best to provide for the rotation in the retirement of members of the Advisory Committee which is stipulated in the rules of procedure of the General Assembly (rule 157). It was suggested that lots might be drawn to decide which of the newly elected members should serve respectively for one, two and three years, or that, alternatively, recourse might be had to the procedure followed in 1946 on the first election of the members of the Committee, namely, a decision by ballot.

5. At the 893rd meeting, the Chairman informed the Committee that Mr. Bender and Mr. Hodges had expressed their willingness to accept appointments for terms of less than three years, and that, lots having been drawn, Mr. Hodges was prepared to accept an appointment of one year's duration, and Mr. Bender an appointment of two years' duration, subject to the approval of the Committee.

6. There being no objection, the Chairman declared the following persons to be recommended for appointment as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

For a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1962:

Mr. Mohamed Abdel Magid Ahmed

Mr. Alfonso Grez

Mr. E. Olu Sanu

Mr. Dragos Serbanescu

For a two-year term beginning on 1 January 1962:

Mr. Albert F. Bender

For a one-year term beginning on 1 January 1962:

Mr. C.H.W. Hodges

Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee therefore recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

The General Assembly

1. Appoints the following persons as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions:

Mr. Mohamed Abdel Magid Ahmed,

Mr. Albert F. Bender,

Mr. Alfonso Grez,

Mr. C.H.W. Hodges,

Mr. E. Olu Sanu,

Mr. Dragos Serbanescu;

2. Declares Mr. Ahmed, Mr. Grez, Mr. Sanu and Mr. Serbanescu to be appointed for a three-year term, Mr. Bender to be appointed for a two-year term, and Mr. Hodges to be appointed for a one-year term, in each case beginning on 1 January 1962.

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