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REQUEST FOR INCLUSION OF AN ADDITIONAL SUB-ITEM IN THE AGENDA
OF THE FORTY-SIXTH SESSIONAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL
SERVICE COMMISSIONNote by the Secretary-General

1. Agenda item 18 of the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments) did not include a sub-item relating to the appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission since no term of office was to expire at the end of 1991.
2. Articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Commission provide as follows:

"Article 2

"The Commission shall consist of fifteen members appointed by the General Assembly, of whom two, who shall be designated Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively, shall serve full time.

"Article 3

"1. The members of the Commission shall be appointed in their personal capacity as individuals of recognized competence who have had substantial experience of executive responsibility in public administration or related fields, particularly in personnel management.

"2. The members of the Commission, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected with due regard for equitable geographical distribution.

"Article 4

"1. After appropriate consultations with Member States, with the executive heads of the other organizations and with staff representatives, the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, shall compile a list of candidates for appointment as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and members of the Commission and shall consult with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions before consideration and decision by the General Assembly.

"2. In the same way, the names of candidates shall be submitted to the General Assembly to replace members whose terms of office have expired or who have resigned or otherwise ceased to be available."

3. Article 5 of the statute provides in part that "the members of the Commission shall be appointed by the General Assembly for a term of four years and may be reappointed".

4. The Secretary-General has received notification of the resignation of Ms. Claudia Cooley (United States of America) and Mr. Michel Jean Bardoux (France), members of the Commission. The General Assembly will therefore be required at its forty-sixth session to appoint two persons to fill the unexpired portion of the term of office of Ms. Claudia Cooley and Mr. Michel Jean Bardoux, that is until 31 December 1993. Accordingly, it will be necessary to include in the agenda of the forty-sixth session under item 18 entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments", an additional sub-item entitled "Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission".

5. The Secretary-General also suggests that the General Assembly should, in accordance with established practice, allocate the additional sub-item to the Fifth Committee.

6. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the forty-sixth session.

7. The General Assembly may also wish to keep the item open so as to facilitate such further action by it as may become necessary during the forty-sixth session.
