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MICHAEL G. OKEYO (KENYA) RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE  
ON PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION

Michael G. Okeyo was re-elected Chairman of the Committee on Programme and Co-ordination (CPC), yesterday 5 May, a post he held first last year. He is the first Secretary of the Kenyan Permanent Mission to the United Nations.

Born in 1939 on Rusinga Island, Kenya, he graduated from Kisii Government School in 1960. He received his B.A. in political science and economics and M.A. in public administration and economics from the University of California, Berkeley, and the Postgraduate Diploma -- International Relations, from Nairobi University.

In 1967, Mr. Okeyo had an Internship Training with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in New York, and in 1968 served as a Management Assistant with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Okeyo entered the diplomatic service in 1968 as an Assistant Secretary of the Kenyan Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He also served with the Kenyan Embassy to Egypt before coming to the Kenya Mission to the United Nations in 1974. From that year he was a member of the Kenyan delegations to the sessions of the General Assembly and represented his country in the Assembly's Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary).

In 1977, Mr. Okeyo was elected the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences and also Chairman of the United Nations Staff Pension Board.

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