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#### **Fifth Committee**

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Chair: Ms. González López ..... (El Salvador)

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The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

### Agenda item 116: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

- 1. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections by secret ballot, paragraph 16 of Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly, and paragraph 47 of General Assembly resolution 71/323 on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.
- 2. She took it that the Committee wished to follow its established practice of restricting voting to candidates for whom nominations had been received during the nomination period.
- 3. It was so decided.

# (d) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/79/104; A/C.5/79/9)

- 4. The Chair drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to articles 2 to 5 of the statute of the International Civil Service Commission and inviting the General Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Commission on 31 December 2024 (A/79/104), and communicating the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2025 (A/C.5/79/9).
- 5. Since the number of candidates from African States and Eastern European States was equal to the number of vacancies to be filled from those groups, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.
- 6. Mr. Djacta (Algeria) and Mr. Zahid (Morocco), for the African States, and Mr. Ivanov (Russian Federation), for the Eastern European States, were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.
- 7. **The Chair**, drawing the Committee's attention to rules 94 and 128 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, invited members to elect by secret ballot two candidates from Asia-Pacific States.
- 8. At the invitation of the Chair, Ms. Bonilla Alarcón (Guatemala), Ms. Csók (Hungary) and Ms. Kaba Saleh (Guinea) acted as tellers.
- 9. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	188
Number of invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	188
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	188
Required majority:	95
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Sun Xudong (China)	138
Mr. Muhith (Bangladesh)	129
Ms. Kim (Republic of Korea)	102

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10. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Sun Xudong (China) and Mr. Muhith (Bangladesh), for the Asia-Pacific States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.

## (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/79/101; A/C.5/79/6)

- 11. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and inviting the Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 31 December 2024 (A/79/101), and communicating the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025 (A/C.5/79/6).
- 12. Since the number of candidates from African States, Asia-Pacific States, Eastern European States and Latin American and Caribbean States was equal to the number of vacancies to be filled from those groups, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.
- 13. Mr. Kpeye (Côte d'Ivoire) and Mr. Mmalane (Botswana), for the African States, Mr. Al Kumaim (Yemen), for the Asia-Pacific States, Mr. Chmielewski (Poland), for the Eastern European States, and Ms. Brennen-Haylock (Bahamas), for the Latin American and Caribbean States, were elected members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.

### (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/79/102; A/C.5/79/7)

- 14. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and inviting the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 2024 (A/79/102), and communicating the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025 (A/C.5/79/7).
- 15. Since the number of candidates from African States, Asia-Pacific States, Eastern European States and Western European and Other States was equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.
- 16. Mr. Mizingou-Nzaba (Congo), for the African States, Mr. Ali (Pakistan) and Ms. Yoriko (Japan), for the Asia-Pacific States, Ms. Dinić (Croatia) and Mr. Humennyi (Ukraine), for the Eastern European States, and Mr. Hannum (United States of America), for the Western European and Other States, were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.

# (c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/79/103; A/C.5/79/8)

17. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and inviting the General Assembly to confirm the appointment of one person whom he had designated to fill a vacancy on the Investments Committee beginning

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- on 1 January 2025 (A/79/103), and submitting the names of one person for confirmation of reappointment by the Assembly as a regular member of the Investments Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025 (A/C.5/79/8).
- 18. Since the number of candidates was equal to the number of vacancies, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the General Assembly confirm the candidate's reappointment.
- 19. The Committee recommended by acclamation that the General Assembly confirm the reappointment of Ms. Honda (Japan) as a regular member of the Investments Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.
- 20. **The Chair** said that, in the same note (A/C.5/79/8), in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General had also submitted the name of one person for confirmation of reappointment by the General Assembly as an ad hoc member of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.
- 21. The Committee recommended by acclamation that the General Assembly confirm the reappointment of Mr. Tall (Mali) as an ad hoc member of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.

## (e) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee (A/79/105; A/C.5/79/10)

- 22. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to article 6 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and inviting the General Assembly to appoint four members and four alternate members to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee on 31 December 2024 (A/79/105), and communicating the names of seven persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2025 (A/C.5/79/10).
- 23. Mr. Chumakov (Russian Federation), Mr. Kozaki (Japan), Mr. Mazemo (Zimbabwe), Mr. Owade (Kenya), Mr. Rahman (Bangladesh), Mr. Stosberg (Germany) and Mr. Traystman (United States of America) were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2025.
- 24. **The Chair** said that one nomination for a vacancy on the United Nations Staff Pension Committee that would arise on 31 December 2024 had been received after the deadline set by the Committee. In accordance with the Committee's practice of considering only candidatures that had been submitted before the deadline, the appointment was postponed to a later date.

The meeting rose at 11.05 a.m.

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