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Request for the inclusion of two supplementary sub-items in the agenda of the sixty-third session

Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal

Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 62/228 of 22 December 2007 on the administration of justice at the United Nations, the General Assembly decided to establish as from 1 January 2009 a two-tier formal system of administration of justice, comprising a United Nations Dispute Tribunal, composed initially of three full-time judges and two half-time judges, and a United Nations Appeals Tribunal, composed of seven judges. It also decided that the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal should be appointed by the General Assembly on the recommendation of the Internal Justice Council.

2. Subject to the entry into effect of the new administration of justice system on 1 January 2009, and to facilitate the appointment of the judges, the Secretary-General has the honour to request, pursuant to rule 14 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the inclusion in the agenda of the sixty-third session, under the item entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments",¹ of two supplementary sub-items entitled "Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal" and "Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal", respectively.

3. Owing to the nature of the sub-items, the Secretary-General further requests that they be considered directly in plenary meeting.

¹ Item 107 of the provisional agenda of the sixty-third regular session of the General Assembly (A/63/150).

