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

Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The rules of procedure of the General Assembly, as amended by resolution 31/96 of 14 December 1976, provide that:

"Rule 158

"The General Assembly shall appoint an expert Committee on Contributions consisting of eighteen members.

"Rule 159

"The members of the Committee on Contributions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three financial years, as defined in the Financial Regulations of the United Nations. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Committee on Contributions at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session."

2. The present membership of the Committee is as follows:

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Mr. Abdel Hamid Abdel-Ghani (Egypt),\* Mr. Amjad Ali (Pakistan),\*\*  
Mr. Anatoly Semënovich Chistyakov (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics),\*\*  
Mr. Miguel A. Dávila Mendoza (Mexico),\*\* Mr. Talib El-Shibib (Iraq),\*\*\*  
Mr. Gbadebo Oladeinde George (Nigeria),\*\*\* Mr. Richard V. Hennes (United  
States of America),\*\*\* Mr. Junpei Kato (Japan),\*\*\* Mr. Japhet G. Kiti  
(Kenya),\* Mr. Wilfried Koschorreck (Federal Republic of Germany),\*\*  
Mr. Angus J. Matheson (Canada),\* Mr. John I. M. Rhodes (United Kingdom of  
Great Britain and Northern Ireland),\* Mr. Michel Rougé (France),\*\*  
Mr. Dragos Serbanescu (Romania),\*\*\* Mr. David Silveira da Mota (Brazil),\*  
Mr. Euthimios Stoforopoulos (Greece),\*\*\* Mr. Tien Yi-nung (China)\*\* and  
Mr. Bernal Vargas-Saborío (Costa Rica).\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 1977.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 1978.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 1979.

3. At its twenty-ninth session, the General Assembly, by resolution 3248 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974, appointed Mr. Abdel-Ghani, Mr. Kiti, Mr. Matheson, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Silveira da Mota for three-year terms beginning on 1 January 1975. Further, at its thirty-first session the General Assembly, by resolution 31/198 B of 22 December 1976, appointed Mr. Vargas-Saborío for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 1977. Since the terms of office of these members of the Committee expire on 31 December 1977, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its thirty-second session to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 1978.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee, after a secret ballot, submitted to the General Assembly a draft resolution containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the thirty-second session.

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