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The meeting was called to order at 10.10 a.m.

Agenda item 112: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

1. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections by secret ballot and to paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly.

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/64/101; A/C.5/64/4)

2. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/101, in which the Secretary-General referred to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited 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 2009. In document A/C.5/64/4, the Secretary-General communicated the names of nine persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. After drawing the Committee's attention to rules 93 and 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, he invited members to elect by secret ballot two candidates from the Group of African States and one candidate each from the Group of Asian States, the Group of Eastern European States and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

3. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Pepin-Hallé (Canada), Ms. Guerra (Colombia) and Mr. Chuasoto (Philippines) acted as tellers.*

4. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Group of Asian States:

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	189
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	189
<i>Abstentions:</i>	2
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	187
<i>Required majority:</i>	94
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Tal (Jordan)	130
Mr. Safaei (Islamic Republic of Iran)	57

5. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Tal (Jordan) was recommended for reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

Group of Eastern European States:

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	189
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	189
<i>Abstentions:</i>	5
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	184
<i>Required majority:</i>	93
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ms. Dinić (Croatia)	110
Mr. Manczyk (Poland)	74

6. *Having obtained the required majority, Ms. Dinić (Croatia) was recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States:

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	189
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	189
<i>Abstentions:</i>	2
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	187
<i>Required majority:</i>	94
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Neil (Jamaica)	109
Mr. Cazeau (Haiti)	78

7. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Neil (Jamaica) was recommended for reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

Group of African States:

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	189
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	189
<i>Abstentions:</i>	3
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	186
<i>Required majority:</i>	94
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ms. Udo (Nigeria)	153
Mr. Kelapile (Botswana)	150
Mr. Seyoum (Eritrea)	54

8. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Kelapile (Botswana) and Ms. Udo (Nigeria) were recommended for reappointment to the Advisory Committee on*

Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/64/102/Rev.1; A/C.5/64/5)

9. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/102/Rev.1, in which the Secretary-General referred to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 2009. In document A/C.5/64/5, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. Since the number of candidates from the Group of African States, the Group of Asian States, the Group of Eastern European States and the Group of Western European and Other States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

10. *It was so decided.*

11. *Mr. Duale (Somalia), in the case of the Group of African States, Mr. Al-Mansour (Kuwait) and Mr. Sumi (Japan), in the case of the Group of Asian States, Mr. Abraszewski (Poland) and Mr. Humenny (Ukraine), in the case of the Group of Eastern European States, and Ms. Spratt (United States of America), in the case of the Group of Western European and Other States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/64/103; A/C.5/64/6)

12. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/103, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited the General Assembly to confirm the reappointment of the three persons whom he had designated to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. In document A/C.5/64/6, the Secretary-General submitted the names of three persons for confirmation by the General Assembly.

Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the candidates' reappointment.

13. *It was so decided.*

14. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the reappointment of Mr. Cárdenas (Argentina) and Ms. Mohohlo (Botswana) for a three-year term and Mr. Chico Pardo (Mexico) for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

15. **The Chairman** said that, in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposed to reappoint Mr. Jiang (China) and Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. He took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm their reappointment.

16. *It was so decided.*

17. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the reappointment of Mr. Jiang (China) and Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

(d) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (A/64/104; A/C.5/64/7)

18. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/104, in which the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly of the need to appoint the Auditor-General, or officer holding the equivalent title, of a Member State to fill the vacancy that would arise in the Board of Auditors on 30 June 2010. In document A/C.5/64/7, the Secretary-General informed the Assembly that the Government of the United Kingdom had nominated the Comptroller and Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for appointment to the Board. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidate's appointment by acclamation.

19. *It was so decided.*

20. *The Comptroller and Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland was recommended for*

appointment to the Board of Auditors for a six-year term beginning on 1 July 2010.

(e) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

(i) Appointment of members of the Commission (A/64/105; A/C.5/64/8)

21. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/105, in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Commission and invited the General Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the Commission on 31 December 2009. In document A/C.5/64/8, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. Since the number of candidates from the Group of Asian States and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' reappointment by acclamation.

22. *It was so decided.*

23. *Mr. Endo (Japan), in the case of the Group of Asian States, and Mr. Velloso (Brazil), in the case of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, were recommended for reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

24. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited members to elect by secret ballot three candidates from the Group of Western European and Other States.

25. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Giménez-Jiménez (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela), Ms. Azmee (Malaysia) and Ms. Dlamini (South Africa) acted as tellers.*

26. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	190
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	190
<i>Abstentions:</i>	2
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	188
<i>Required majority:</i>	95

Number of votes obtained:

Mr. Valenza (Italy)	155
Ms. Myers (United States of America)	148
Mr. Stöckl (Germany)	145
Mr. Flogaitis (Greece)	95

27. *Having obtained the required majority and the largest number of votes, Ms. Myers (United States of America), Mr. Stöckl (Germany) and Mr. Valenza (Italy) were recommended for reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

(ii) Designation of the Vice-Chairman of the Commission (A/64/105; A/C.5/64/8/Add.1)

28. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/64/105, in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Commission and invited the General Assembly to designate a Vice-Chairman to fill the vacancy that would arise in the Commission on 31 December 2009. In document A/C.5/64/8/Add.1, the Secretary-General communicated the name of one person who had been nominated by his Government to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2010. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidate's designation by acclamation.

29. *It was so decided.*

30. *Mr. Stöckl (Germany) was recommended for designation as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2010.*

The meeting rose at 11.45 a.m.