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The meeting was called to order at 10.20 a.m.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (*continued*) (E/2010/L.2, E/2010/L.3 and E/2010/L.4)

Draft decision E/2010/L.2: Theme for the item on regional cooperation of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

1. Draft decision E/2010/L.2 was adopted.

Draft decision E/2010/L.3: Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

2. Draft decision E/2010/L.3 was adopted.

Draft decision E/2010/L.4: Economic and Social Council event to discuss transition from relief to development

3. Draft decision E/2010/L.4 was adopted.

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (continued) (E/2010/2/Add.1)

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (E/2010/9/Add.8, E/2010/9/Add.9 and E/2010/9/Add.12)

- 4. **The President** drew attention to the list of candidates for the elections and invited the Council to elect eight members to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 5. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Mr. Simon William M'Viboudoulou (Congo) had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Ms. Paimaneh Hasteh (Islamic Republic of Iran) had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; and Ms. Helen Kaljuläte (Estonia) and Mr. Andre Alexandrovich Nikiforov (Russian Federation) had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States.
- 6. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the Group of African States, the Group of Asian States and the Group of Eastern European States was equal to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 7. It was so decided.

- 8. Mr. Simon William M'Viboudoulou (Congo), Ms. Paimaneh Hasteh (Islamic Republic of Iran), Ms. Helen Kaljuläte (Estonia) and Mr. Andre Alexandrovich Nikiforov (Russian Federation), were elected to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
- 9. **The President**, noting that there were more candidates than vacancies from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States, invited the Council to elect two members from each of those groups, by secret ballot, for a three-year term beginning 1 January 2011.
- 10. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Ms. Mirian Masaquiza (Ecuador), Mr. Gabriel Muyuy Jacanemejoy (Colombia) and Mr. Álvaro Esteban Pop Ac (Guatemala) had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Ms. Eva Biaudet (Finland), Mr. Bartolomé Clavero (Spain) and Ms. Megan Davis (Australia) had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 11. At the invitation of the President, Ms. Saddy Halimatou Djibo (the Niger) and Mr. Yahya Al-Obaidi (Iraq) acted as tellers for the vote on the candidates from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.
- 12. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	53
Number of valid ballots:	53
Number of members voting	53
Required majority:	27
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Álvaro Esteban Pop Ac	
(Guatemala):	49
Ms. Mirian Masaquiza (Ecuador):	37
Mr. Gabriel Muyuy Jacanamejoy	
(Colombia):	18

- 13. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Álvaro Esteban Pop Ac (Guatemala) and Ms. Mirian Masaquiza (Ecuador) were elected members of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.
- 14. At the invitation of the President, Mr. Rastam (Malaysia) and Mr. Tolkach (Russian Federation) acted as tellers for the vote on the candidates from the West European and Other States.

15. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	53
Number of valid ballots:	53
Number of members voting:	53
Required majority:	27
Number of votes obtained:	
Ms. Megan Davis (Australia):	40
Ms. Eva Biaudet (Finland):	38
Mr. Bartolomé Clavero (Spain):	24

16. Having obtained the required majority, Ms. Megan Davis (Australia) and Ms. Eva Biaudet (Finland) were elected members of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

Commission on Population and Development (E/2010/9)

- 17. **The President** invited the Council to elect eight members to the Commission on Population and Development for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-fifth session in 2011 and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-eighth session in 2015.
- 18. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Algeria and Gabon had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Georgia had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; and the United States of America had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 19. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 20. It was so decided.
- 21. Algeria, Gabon, Georgia and the United States of America were elected members of the Commission on Population and Development.
- 22. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for election to the Commission on Population and Development, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of two members from the Group of Asian States and two members from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-fifth session and expiring at the close of its forty-eighth session in 2015.

23. It was so decided.

Commission for Social Development (E/2010/9)

- 24. **The President** invited the Council to elect 14 members to the Commission for Social Development for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fiftieth session in 2011 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-third session in 2015.
- 25. **Ms. Ochir** (Mongolia) said that Mongolia had withdrawn its candidacy.
- 26. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt and Zimbabwe had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Cuba, Mexico and Peru had been endorsed by the group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Andorra and Spain had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 27. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to or less than the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 28. It was so decided.
- 29. Andorra, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cuba, Egypt, Mexico, Spain and Zimbabwe were elected members of the Commission for Social Development.
- 30. The President said that, in the absence of any other candidates for election to the Commission for Social Development, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of three members from the Group of Asian States, one member from the Group of Eastern European States and one member from the Group of Western European and Other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fiftieth session and expiring at the close of its fifty-third session in 2015.
- 31. It was so decided.
- 32. **The President** recalled that there was one outstanding vacancy on the Commission for Social Development to be filled by the Group of Eastern European States. The term of office would expire at the close of the Commission's fifty-first session in 2013. To date, no nominee had been proposed to fill that seat.

Commission on the Status of Women (E/2010/9)

- 33. **The President** invited the Council to elect 11 members to the Commission on the Status of Women for a four-year term, beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-sixth session in 2011 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-ninth session in 2015.
- 34. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liberia and Zimbabwe had been endorsed by the Group of African States; the Islamic Republic of Iran and Thailand had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Estonia and Georgia had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Jamaica had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Belgium, the Netherlands and Spain had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 35. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 36. It was so decided.
- 37. Belgium, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Estonia, Georgia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Jamaica, Liberia, Netherlands, Spain, Thailand and Zimbabwe were elected members of the Commission on the Status of Women.

Commission on Sustainable Development (E/2010/9)

- 38. **The President** invited the Council to elect 20 members to the Commission on Sustainable Development for a three-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's twentieth session, in 2010, and expiring at the close of the Commission's twenty-first session, in 2014.
- 39. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Angola, Botswana, the Congo, Equatorial Guinea and Lesotho had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon and Saudi Arabia had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Armenia and Montenegro had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Brazil, El Salvador, Mexico and Nicaragua had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Belgium, Germany, Italy and Spain had been

endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.

- 40. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled by each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 41. It was so decided.
- 42. Angola, Armenia, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, the Congo, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Mexico, Montenegro, Nicaragua, Saudi Arabia and Spain were elected members of the Commission on Sustainable Development.
- 43. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for election to the Commission on Sustainable Development, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of one member from the Group of Western European and Other States for a three-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's twentieth session and expiring at the close of its twenty-second session in 2014.
- 44. It was so decided.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development (E/2010/9)

- 45. **The President** invited the Council to elect 23 members to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 46. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Lesotho, Mauritius, Rwanda, Togo, Tunisia and the United Republic of Tanzania had been endorsed by the Group of African States; China, India and Islamic Republic of Iran had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States, and the Philippines was a non-endorsed candidate from the Group of Asian States; Latvia had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador and Peru had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and the United States of America had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 47. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from all regional groups was equal to or less than the number of vacancies, he took it that the

Council wished to elect the proposed candidates by acclamation.

- 48. It was so decided.
- 49. China, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Latvia, Lesotho, Mauritius, Peru, the Philippines, Rwanda, Togo, Tunisia, the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States of America were elected members of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development.
- 50. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of one member from the Group of Asian States, two members from the Group of Eastern European States and four members from the Western European and Other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 51. It was so decided.

Committee for Programme and Coordination (E/2010/9/Add.1)

- 52. **The President** invited the Council to nominate seven members for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 53. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Algeria, Benin and Eritrea had been endorsed by the Group of African States; China and the Republic of Korea were the non-endorsed candidates from the Group of Asian States; and Antigua and Barbuda had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.
- 54. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to or less than the number of vacancies to be filled by each group, he took it that the Council wished to nominate the candidates proposed.
- 55. It was so decided.
- 56. Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Benin, China, Eritrea and the Republic of Korea were nominated for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Coordination.
- 57. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for election to the Committee for Programme and Coordination, he took it that the

Council wished to postpone the nomination of one member from the Group of Asian States for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.

- 58. It was so decided.
- 59. **The President** recalled that there were still four outstanding vacancies on the Committee for Programme and Coordination to be filled by the Group of Western European and Other States, three for a term expiring on 31 December 2011 and one for a term expiring on 31 December 2012. No nominees had been proposed.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (E/2010/9/Add.2)

- 60. **The President** invited the Council to elect 19 members to the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 61. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Burundi, Morocco, Mozambique, Senegal and the Sudan had been endorsed by the Group of African States; China, India, Kyrgyzstan and Pakistan had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Bulgaria and the Russian Federation had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Cuba, Nicaragua, Peru and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Belgium, Israel, Turkey and the United States of America had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 62. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from all regional groups was equal to the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 63. It was so decided.
- 64. Belgium, Bulgaria, Burundi, China, Cuba, India, Israel, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Peru, the Russian Federation, Senegal, the Sudan, Turkey, the United States of America and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) were elected members of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations.

Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (E/2010/9/Add.13)

- 65. **The President** drew attention to document E/2010/9/Add.13 regarding applications for membership by Switzerland in the Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and by the Russian Federation in the Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals, which had been approved by the Secretary-General. He took it that the Council wished to endorse the Secretary-General's decision to approve the applications of Switzerland and the Russian Federation.
- 66. It was so decided.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/2010/9/Add.3)

- 67. **The President** invited the Council to elect 11 members to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 68. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Namibia had been endorsed by the Group of African States; China and Indonesia had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Estonia and the Russian Federation had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Antigua and Barbuda and Colombia had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Italy, the Netherlands, New Zealand and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 69. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to the number of vacancies to be filled by each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 70. It was so decided.
- 71. Antigua and Barbuda, China, Colombia, Estonia, Indonesia, Italy, Namibia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland were elected to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund.

- 72. **The President** said the Council had been informed that Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Ireland and Luxembourg were resigning their seats on the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, effective 1 January 2011. Japan, Belgium, Spain, Germany and Sweden, respectively, had been endorsed, to complete the terms of office of Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Ireland and Luxembourg. He took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation Japan, Belgium, Spain, Germany and Sweden to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund.
- 73. It was so decided.
- 74. Belgium, Germany, Japan, Spain, and Sweden were elected members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund.

Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

- 75. **The President** drew attention to resolution 64/128 of 18 December 2009, by which the General Assembly had decided to increase the number of members of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees from 78 to 79 States and requested the Council to elect the additional members. Accordingly, he invited the Council to elect one State to fill the new seat.
- 76. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that the candidate was Slovenia.
- 77. **The President** said he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidate proposed.
- 78. It was so decided.
- 79. Slovenia was elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund (E/2010/9/Add.4)

- 80. **The President** invited the Council to elect 11 members to the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 81. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Belarus and the Czech Republic had been endorsed

by the Group of Eastern European States; Argentina and El Salvador had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; Canada, Finland, Luxembourg and the United States had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States; and Bangladesh, China and the Philippines were the non-endorsed candidates from the Group of Asian States.

- 82. **Mr. Lima** (Observer for Cape Verde), nominated Djibouti on behalf of the Group of African States.
- 83. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the Eastern European States, the Latin American and Caribbean States and the Western European and other States was equal to the number of vacancies to be filled by each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 84. It was so decided.
- 85. Belarus, Canada, the Czech Republic, Djibouti, El Salvador, Finland, Luxembourg and the United States of America were elected members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund.
- 86. **The President** invited the Council to elect by secret ballot two members from the Group of Asian States.
- 87. At the invitation of the President, Mr. Prüfer (Germany) and Mr. Toba (Brazil) acted as tellers.
- 88. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	53
Number of valid ballots:	53
Number of members voting:	53
Required majority:	27
Number of votes obtained:	
China:	41
Bangladesh:	39
Philippines:	15
Republic of Korea:	8

- 89. China and Bangladesh were elected members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund.
- 90. **The President** said the Council had been informed that Austria, Belgium, France, Spain and Slovenia were resigning their seats on the Executive

Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund effective 1 January 2011. Denmark and Germany had been endorsed to complete the terms of Austria and Belgium, respectively, which were due to expire on 31 December 2011; Estonia, Ireland and Italy had been endorsed to complete the terms of France, Spain, and Slovenia, respectively, which were due to expire on 31 December 2012. He took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Ireland and Italy to the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund.

- 91. It was so decided.
- 92. Austria, Belgium, Estonia, Ireland and Italy were elected members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund.

Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2010/9/Add.5)

- 93. **The President** invited the Council to elect six members to the Executive Board of the World Food Programme for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 94. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Morocco and the Sudan had been endorsed by the Group of African States; the Republic of Korea had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Cuba had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Australia and Norway had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 95. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the regional groups was equal to the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 96. It was so decided.
- 97. Australia, Cuba, Morocco, Norway, the Republic of Korea and the Sudan were elected members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme.
- 98. **The President** said the Council had been informed that Luxembourg was resigning its seat on the Executive Board of the World Food Programme effective 1 January 2011. Spain had been nominated to

complete the term of office of Luxembourg, which was due to expire on 31 December 2012. He took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation Spain to the Executive Board of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme for the aforementioned term of office.

99. It was so decided.

100. Spain was elected a member of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme.

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (E/2010/9/Add.6)

- 101. **The President** invited the Council to elect eight members to the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 102. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Egypt and Djibouti had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Bangladesh had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; the Russian Federation had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Mexico had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Monaco had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States. India was the non-endorsed candidate of the Group of Asian States and the United States of America was the non-endorsed candidate of the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 103. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the regional groups was equal to the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.
- 104. It was so decided.
- 105. Bangladesh, Djibouti, Egypt, India, Mexico, Monaco, the Russian Federation and the United States of America were elected members of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.
- 106. **The President** invited the Council to elect a member of the Group of African States to the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS to fill an outstanding vacancy for a term beginning on the date of the election and expiring on 31 December 2012.

- 107. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Togo had been endorsed by the Group of African States.
- 108. **The President** said he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidate proposed.
- 109. It was so decided.
- 110. Togo was elected a member of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.
- 111. **The President** said the Council had been informed that Turkey was resigning its seat on the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, effective 1 January 2011. Canada had been endorsed to complete the term of office of Turkey, which was due to expire on 31 December 2011. He took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation Canada to the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS for the aforementioned term of office.
- 112. It was so decided.
- 113. Canada was elected a member of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (E/2010/9/Add.7)

- 114. **The President** invited the Council to elect 20 members to the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.
- 115. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Algeria, the Central African Republic, Gabon, Mali, Mozambique and Nigeria had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan and Pakistan had been endorsed by the Group of Asian States; Albania and the Russian Federation had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Argentina and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and the United States of America had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 116. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the regional groups was equal to or less than the number of vacancies for each group, he

took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed.

117. It was so decided.

118. Albania, Algeria, Argentina, the Central African Republic, Gabon, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, the United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) were elected members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat).

119. It was so decided.

120. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of two members from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from the Group of Western European and Other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2011.

121. It was so decided.

122. **The President** recalled that there were still four outstanding vacancies on the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) to be filled by the Western European and Other States, two to expire on 31 December 2011 and two to expire on 31 December 2012.

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/2010/9/Add.10 and Add.11)

- 123. **The President** invited the Council to elect nine members to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- 124. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Mr. Clément Atangana (Cameroon), Mr. Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria) and Mr. Marc Somda (Burkina Faso) had been nominated by the Group of African States; Ms. Virginia Bonoan-Dandan (Philippines), Mr. Chandrashekhar Dasgupta (India), Mr. Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea) and Mr. Dhari Rasheed Yassin (Iraq) had been nominated by the Group of Asian States; and Mr. Aslan Abashidze (Russian Federation) had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States.
- 125. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from the Eastern European States was equal

to the number of vacancies for that group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidate proposed.

126. It was so decided.

- 127. Mr. Aslan Abashidze (Russian Federation) was elected a member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- 128. **The President** invited the Council to elect by secret ballot two members from the Group of African States.
- 129. At the invitation of the President, Ms. Popovici (Moldova) and Ms. Taracena (Guatemala) acted as tellers
- 130. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	53
Number of valid ballots:	53
Number of members voting:	53
Required majority:	27
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Clément Atangana (Cameroon):	44
Mr. Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria):	30
Mr. Marc Somda (Burkina Faso):	27

- 131. Mr. Clément Atangana (Cameroon) and Mr. Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria) were elected as members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- 132. **The President** invited the Council to elect by secret ballot two members from the Group of Asian States
- 133. At the invitation of the President, Ms. Popovici (Moldova) and Ms. Taracena (Guatemala) acted as tellers.
- 134. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	53
Number of valid ballots:	52
Number of invalid ballots:	1
Number of members voting:	52
Required majority:	27
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Chandrashekhar Dasgupta	
(India):	41
Mr. Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea):	38
Ms. Virginia Bonoan-Dandan	
(Philippines):	17
Mr. Dhari Rasheed Yassin (Iraq):	5

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135. Mr. Chandrashekhar Dasgupta (India) and Mr. Heisoo Shin (Republic of Korea) were elected as members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

- 136. **The President** invited the Council to take action on outstanding vacancies remaining from previous elections to the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting.
- 137. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that the Niger had been endorsed by the Group of African States; Poland had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States; Saint Kitts and Nevis had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and Portugal and France were, respectively, the endorsed and non-endorsed candidates of the Group of Western European and Other States.
- 138. **The President** said he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation France, the Niger, Portugal and Saint Kitts and Nevis for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2011, and Poland for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012, to the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting.
- 139. It was so decided.
- 140. France, the Niger, Portugal and Saint Kitts and Nevis were elected members of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting.
- 141. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of three members from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and four members from the Group of Western European and Other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2011, and the election of four members from the Group of Asian States and one member from the Group of Eastern

European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012.

142. It was so decided.

Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

- 143. **The President** invited the Council to consider outstanding vacancies on the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.
- 144. **Ms. Velichko** (Belarus) said that her country wished to be considered as a candidate for the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.
- 145. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Council) said that Benin and Djibouti had been endorsed by the Group of African States, while Slovakia had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States. Belarus was also a candidate from the Group of Eastern European States.
- 146. **The President** said that, since the number of candidates from each regional group was equal to or less than the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Council wished to elect by acclamation the candidates proposed for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012.
- 147. It was so decided.
- 148. Belarus, Benin, Djibouti and Slovakia were elected members of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.
- 149. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of two members from the Group of Asian States and two members from the Group of Western European and Other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012.

150. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 12.10 p.m.