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*Chair:* Mr. Berger. . . . . (Germany)  
*Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative  
and Budgetary Questions:* Mr. Kelapile

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

**Agenda item 111: 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 and to paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/41 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/67/101; A/C.5/67/4)**

2. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to document A/67/101, 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 2012. In document A/C.5/67/4, the Secretary-General communicated the names of eight persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013. Since the number of candidates from the Asia-Pacific States, the Eastern European States, and the 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' appointment by acclamation.

3. *It was so decided.*

4. *Mr. Omran (Iraq), for the Asia-Pacific States, Ms. Dinić (Croatia), for the Eastern European States, and Mr. Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), for the Latin American and Caribbean States, were recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2013.*

5. **The Chair** drew attention to rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning ballots for two or more elective places and invited members to elect by secret ballot two candidates from the African States.

6. *At the invitation of the Chair, Ms. Holzmann (Austria), Ms. Pakarati (Chile) and Mr. Heng (Cambodia) acted as tellers.*

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

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	183
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	183
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	183
<i>Required majority:</i>	92
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Seyoum (Eritrea)	90
Mr. Orina (Kenya)	74
Mr. Babou Sene (Senegal)	73
Mr. Kelapile (Botswana)	65
Mr. Acakpo-Satchivi (Benin)	59

8. **The Chair** said that, since no candidate had received the required majority, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, an additional ballot would be held, the voting being restricted to the candidates obtaining the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot to a number not more than twice the places remaining to be filled. Accordingly, the eligible candidates for the second round of voting for the two seats were Mr. Seyoum (Eritrea), Mr. Babou Sene (Senegal), Mr. Orina (Kenya) and Mr. Kelapile (Botswana).

9. *A second vote was taken by secret ballot.*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	182
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	182
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	182
<i>Required majority:</i>	92
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Seyoum (Eritrea)	107
Mr. Babou Sene (Senegal)	99
Mr. Orina (Kenya)	84
Mr. Kelapile (Botswana)	64

10. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Seyoum (Eritrea) and Mr. Babou Sene (Senegal) were recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013.*

**(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions** (A/67/102/Rev.1; A/C.5/67/5)

11. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to document A/67/102/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 vacancies that would arise in the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 2012. In document A/C.5/67/5, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013. Since the number of candidates from the Asia-Pacific States, the Eastern European States, the Latin American and Caribbean States and the 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.

12. *It was so decided.*

13. *Mr. Tawana (South Africa), for the African States, Mr. Ali (Pakistan) and Mr. Watanabe (Japan), for the Asia-Pacific States, Mr. Abraszewski (Poland) and Mr. Humenny (Ukraine), for the Eastern European States, and Ms. McLurg, for the 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 2013.*

**(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee** (A/67/103; A/C.5/67/6)

14. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to document A/67/103, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited the Committee to confirm the appointment of the two persons whom he had designated to fill vacancies that would arise in the Investments Committee on 31 December 2012. In document A/C.5/67/6, the Secretary-General submitted the names of two 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' appointment.

15. *It was so decided.*

16. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the appointment of Ms. Mohohlo (Botswana) for a three-year term of office and Mr. Cárdenas (Argentina) for a one-year term of office, both beginning on 1 January 2013.*

17. **The Chair** said that, in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposed to reappoint Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) and appoint Ms. Reyes (Philippines) and Mr. Oliveros (Spain) as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013. He took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm their appointment or reappointment.

18. *It was so decided.*

19. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the reappointment of Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) and the appointment of Ms. Reyes (Philippines) and Mr. Oliveros (Spain) as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013.*

**(d) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission** (A/67/104/Rev.1; A/C.5/67/7)

20. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to document A/67/104/Rev.1, in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the International Civil Service Commission and invited the General Assembly to appoint five persons to fill vacancies that would arise in the Commission on 31 December 2012. In document A/C.5/67/7, the Secretary-General communicated the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013. Since the number of candidates from the African States, the Asia-Pacific States and the Eastern European 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.

21. *It was so decided.*

22. *Mr. Bouayad-Agha (Algeria) and Mr. Zahid (Morocco), for the African States, Mr. Quayes (Bangladesh) and Mr. Wang Xiaochu (China), for the Asia-Pacific States, and Mr. Garmonin (Russian*

*Federation), for the Eastern European States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013.*

**(e) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee** (A/67/105/Rev.1; A/C.5/67/8)

23. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to document A/67/105/Rev.1, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 6 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited 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 2012. In document A/C.5/67/8, the Secretary-General communicated the names of eight persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2013. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

24. *It was so decided.*

25. *Mr. Chumakov (Russian Federation), Ms. González Posse (Argentina), Mr. Kozaki (Japan), Mr. Küntzle (Germany), Mr. Mazemo (Zimbabwe), Mr. Okanda Owade (Kenya), Mr. Rahman (Bangladesh) and Mr. Repasch (United States of America) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2013.*

*The meeting rose at 11.40 a.m.*