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*Chair:* Ms. King..... (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

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*The meeting was called to order at 10.05 a.m.*

**Agenda item 115: 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 34/401 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/71/101/Rev.1; A/C.5/71/4)**

2. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and inviting the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 1 January 2017 (A/71/101/Rev.1), and communicating 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 2017 (A/C.5/71/4).

3. Since the number of candidates from the Asia-Pacific States corresponded to the number of vacancies for that group, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

4. *Mr. Akamatsu (Japan), Mr. Kumar (India) and Mr. Ye Xuenong (China), for the Asia-Pacific States, were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

5. **The Chair**, drawing the Committee's attention to rules 132, 94 and 128 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, invited members to elect by secret ballot one candidate from the Latin American and Caribbean States and two candidates from the Western European and other States.

6. *At the invitation of the Chair, Mr. Davidson (South Africa), Ms. Ruņģe (Latvia) and Ms. Supanya (Thailand) acted as tellers.*

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

*Latin American and Caribbean States*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	192
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	192
<i>Abstentions</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	192
<i>Required majority:</i>	97
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Fermín (Dominican Republic)	93
Mr. Ruiz Massieu (Mexico)	99

8. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Ruiz Massieu (Mexico) was recommended for reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

*Western European and other States*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	192
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	1
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	191
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	191
<i>Required majority:</i>	96
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Adam (Israel)	99
Mr. Jullier (Switzerland)	168
Ms. Vendat (France)	105

9. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Jullier (Switzerland) and Ms. Vendat (France) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

**(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/71/102/Rev.1; A/C.5/71/5)**

10. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and inviting the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions on 1 January 2017 (A/71/102/Rev.1), and communicating the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2017 (A/C.5/71/5). The nomination of an

additional member to fill the remaining vacancy for the African States beginning on 1 January 2017 had been postponed.

11. Since the number of candidates from the African States, the Latin American and Caribbean States and the Western European and other States did not exceed the number of vacancies for those groups, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

12. *Mr. Deme (Senegal), for the African States, Mr. Greiver (Uruguay) and Mr. Torres Lépori (Argentina), for the Latin American and Caribbean States, and Mr. Eckersley (Australia) and Mr. Sessi (Italy), for the Western European and other States, were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

**(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/71/103; A/C.5/71/6)**

13. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and inviting the General Assembly to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of nine persons to fill vacancies on the Investments Committee beginning on 1 January 2017 (A/71/103), and submitting the names of nine persons for confirmation of appointment or reappointment by the General Assembly for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2017 (A/C.5/71/6).

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

15. *The Committee recommended by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the appointment or reappointment of Mr. Arikawa (Japan), Mr. Dhar (India), Mr. Jiang (China), Mr. Kassow (Germany), Mr. Kirdar (Iraq), Mr. Klein (United States of America), Ms. Mohohlo (Botswana), Mr. Oliveros (Spain) and Ms. Ribeiro (Brazil) for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

**(d) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/71/104; A/C.5/71/7)**

16. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the International Civil Service Commission and inviting the General Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the Commission on 1 January 2017 (A/71/104), and communicating 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 2017 (A/C.5/71/7).

17. 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 groups, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

18. *Mr. Djacta (Algeria) and Mr. Zahid (Morocco), for the African States, Mr. Farashuddin (Bangladesh) and Mr. Wang Xiaochu (China), for the Asia-Pacific States, and Mr. Garmonin (Russian Federation), for the Eastern European States, were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

**(e) Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee (A/71/105; A/C.5/71/8)**

19. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to paragraphs 3, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 61/275 and inviting the Assembly to appoint three persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on 1 January 2017 (A/71/105), and communicating the names of two persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2017 (A/C.5/71/8). The nomination of an additional member to fill the remaining vacancy for the Asia-Pacific States beginning on 1 January 2017 had been postponed.

20. Since the number of candidates from the Latin American and Caribbean States and the Eastern European States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those groups, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' reappointment by acclamation.

21. *Ms. Arriagada Villouta (Chile), for the Latin American and Caribbean States, and Ms. Bocharova (Russian Federation), for the Eastern European States, were recommended by acclamation for reappointment to the Independent Audit Advisory Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

**(f) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee (A/71/106; A/C.5/71/9)**

22. **The Chair** drew the Committee's attention to notes by the Secretary-General referring to article 6 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and inviting 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 1 January 2017 (A/71/106), and communicating 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 2017 (A/C.5/71/9). Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, she took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

23. *Mr. Chumakov (Russian Federation), Mr. Kozaki (Japan), Mr. Mazemo (Zimbabwe), Mr. Owade (Kenya), Ms. Poroli (Argentina), Mr. Rahman (Bangladesh), Mr. Repasch (United States of America) and Mr. Stosberg (Germany) were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2017.*

*The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.*