General Committee Composition for the 72nd session of the General Assembly

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UN General Assembly

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The General Committee is composed of the President of the General Assembly and 21 Vice-Presidents of the Assembly and the Chairmen of the six Main Committees. The five permanent members of the Security Council serve as Vice-Presidents, as well.

* President: [H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák](https://www.un.org/pga/72/) (Slovakia)

**Chairpersons of the six Main Committees**

* H.E. Mr. Mouayed Saleh (Iraq) - First Committee
* S.E. Mr. Sven Jürgenson (Estonia) - Second Committee
* S.E. Mr. Einar Gunnarsson (Iceland) - Third Committee
* H.E. Mr. Rafael Darió Ramírez Carreño (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) - Fourth Committee
* H.E. Mr. Tommo Monthe (Cameroon) - Fifth Committee
* H.E. Mr. Burhan Gafoor (Singapore) - Sixth Committee

**Vice-Presidents**

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| **African States**   * Gabon, Ghana, Liberia, Madagascar, Morocco, Zimbabwe   **Asia-Pacific States**   * Afghanistan, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates, Vanuatu   **Latin American and Caribbean States**   * Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Chile, Guatemala   **Western European and Other States**   * Finland, Israel | **Permanent members of the Security Council**   * China * France * Russian Federation * United Kingdom * United States |

**Functions**

At the beginning of each session, the General Committee considers the provisional agenda and the supplementary list and makes recommendations to the General Assembly.

The role of the General Committee has been further strengthened over the past few sessions with the holding of informal meetings and briefings, open to all Member States, on specific issues under consideration by or pertaining to the work of the Assembly.

The General Committee also makes recommendations to the General Assembly concerning the closing date of the session. It assists the President and the General Assembly in drawing up the agenda for each plenary meeting, and in the general conduct of the work of the General Assembly.

It shall not however, decide on any political question ([Rules of procedures](http://undocs.org/en/A/520/rev.15) of the General Assembly, Section VI).

**Documentation**

* [A/72/250](http://undocs.org/en/A/72/250) - Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items (13 September 2017)
* [A/BUR/72/1](http://undocs.org/en/A/BUR/72/1) - Organization of the seventy-second regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items (12 September 2017)