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## HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

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Excellencies,

In my capacity as President of the Human Rights Council and following my letter sent to all Permanent Missions on 4 and 7 February and, 3 March 2014, I have the honour to submit for your attention the list of candidates for 19 vacancies of Special Procedures mandate-holders and the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) to be appointed during the Twentieth Fifth session of the Human Rights Council. The candidates have been identified in accordance with paragraph 52 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, and paragraph 22d) of the Council resolution 16/21 and paragraph 4 of the Council Resolution 6/36 and on the basis of the report (Part II and Part III) of the Consultative Group.

As I indicated in my previous letter, a preliminary list of 18 candidates was submitted ad referendum. I conducted further consultations to ensure the endorsement of my proposed candidates, in accordance with paragraph 53 of the annex to council resolution 5/1. I received a large number of comments and, I am satisfied to note a large support to it.

Insofar the remaining mandate of **Special rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian Territories occupied since 1967** is concerned, I undertook a series of consultations with all concerned parties, with the view to ensure the broadest possible and the highest level of efficiency of the mandate holder, I decided to appoint **Ms Christine CHINKIN** from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, for that position, given her extensive experience in the field of human rights.

In relation to the **Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr Juan BOHOSLAVSKY** from Argentina for that position.

With regard to the **Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group and given a close degree of proximity between the two first candidates. I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Israel DORON** from Israel who has appropriate qualifications and experience for that position.

Concerning the **Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Bahamé NYANDUGA** from the United Republic of Tanzania for that position.

Regarding the **Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context**, while acknowledging the qualifications of the first recommended candidate by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Leilani FARHA** from Canada for that position given her extensive experience in the field of economic, social and cultural rights, in particular the right to adequate housing.

As for the **Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and its consequences**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group and given a close degree of proximity between the two first candidates, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Urmila BHOOLA** from South Africa for that position.

With regard to the **Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Philip ALSTON** from Australia for that position.

Concerning the **Special Rapporteur on the right to food**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Hilal ELVER** from Turkey for that position.

As for the **Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Victoria Lucia TAULI-CORPUZ** from the Philippines for that position.

Regarding the **Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Maud DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO** from the Netherlands for that position.

With respect to the **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Michel FORST** from France for that position.

Concerning the **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Yanghee LEE** from the Republic of Korea for that position.

With regard to the **member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) from Asia-Pacific States**, while acknowledging the high qualification of the three candidates to fulfil the mandate, which has led the Consultative Group to establish no ranking among them, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Edtami MANSAYAGAN** from the Philippines for that position.

As for the **member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) from Western European and other States** based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Wilton LITTLECHILD** from Canada for that position.

Regarding the **member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention from African States**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Sètonji Roland Jean-Baptiste ADJOVI** from Benin for that position.

With regard to the **member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention from Latin American and Caribbean States**, based on the recommendations of the Consultative Group who gave a particularly high rating to the first two candidates, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. José GUEVARA** from Mexico for that position.

Concerning the **member of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances from African States**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Houria ES SLAMI** from Morocco for that position.

In relation to the **member of the Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice from Latin American and Caribbean States**, based on the recommendations by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Ms. Alda FACIO** from Costa Rica for that position.

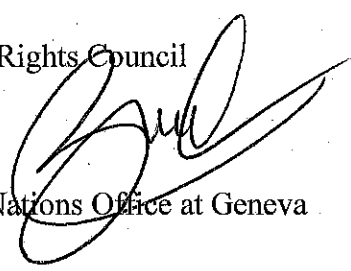
Finally, with regard to the **member of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination from Asia-Pacific States**, while acknowledging the qualifications of the first recommended candidate by the Consultative Group, I decided following consultations to appoint **Mr. Saeed MOKBIL** from Yemen for that position, given his extensive experience in the field of the mandate.

I would like to once again express my sincere appreciation to the members of the Consultative Group for their work.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Baudelaire NDONG ELLA

President of the Human Rights Council



To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva

**List of special procedures mandate-holders and members of the Expert  
Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) to be appointed at the  
25th session of the Human Rights Council**

- 1) Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian Territories occupied since 1967

**Mrs Christine CHINKIN**

- 2) Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights

**Mr. Juan BOHOSLAVSKY**

- 3) Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons

**Mr. Israel DORON**

- 4) Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia

**Mr. Bahame NYANDUGA**

- 5) Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context

**Ms. Leilani FARHA**

- 6) Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and its consequences

**Ms. Urmila BHOOLA**

- 7) Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights

**Mr. Philip ALSTON**

- 8) Special Rapporteur on the right to food

**Ms. Hilal ELVER**

- 9) Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples

**Ms. Victoria Lucia TAULI-CORPUZ**

- 10) Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

**Ms. Maud DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO**

11) Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders

**Mr. Michel FORST**

12) Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

**Ms. Yanghee LEE**

13) Member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) from Asia-Pacific States

**Mr. Edtami MANSAYAGAN**

14) Member of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) from Western European and other States

**Mr. Wilton LITTLECHILD**

15) Member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention from African States

**Mr. Sètonджи Roland Jean-Baptiste ADJOVI**

16) Member of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention from Latin American and Caribbean States

**Mr. José GUEVARA**

17) Member of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances from African States

**Ms. Houria ES SLAMI**

18) Member of the Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice from Latin American and Caribbean States

**Ms. Alda FACIO**

19) Member of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination from Asia-Pacific States

**Mr. Saeed MOKBIL**