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Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of a member of the International Court of Justice

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By a letter dated 30 May 2022, the Deputy-Registrar of the Court informed the Secretary-General of the death of Judge Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade (Brazil) on 29 May 2022 and of the resulting occurrence of a vacancy in the Court.
2. Judge Cançado Trindade had been a member of the Court since 6 February 2009. Having been re-elected on 6 February 2018, his latest term would have expired on 5 February 2027.
3. By a note by the Secretary-General dated 6 June 2022 ([S/2022/453](#)), the Security Council was informed of the occurrence of that vacancy in the Court. On 22 June 2022, the Council adopted resolution [2638 \(2022\)](#), in which it decided that the date of the election to fill the vacancy should be 4 November 2022.
4. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly ([A/77/50](#)) does not contain a sub-item concerning the election of members of the International Court of Justice. The Secretary-General therefore deems it necessary to include in the provisional agenda of the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly, pursuant to rule 13 (g) of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, under item 116, entitled “Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs”, a sub-item entitled “Election of a member of the International Court of Justice”.

