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Election of members of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to section V of Economic and Social Council resolution 557 C (XVIII), as amended by the Council in its decision of 19 December 1968, information on the forthcoming vacancies in the functional commissions to be filled by the Council is set out in the annex to the present note. Elections for these vacancies will be conducted by the Council at its management meeting, to be held on 7 May 2019.

2. Under the terms of Economic and Social Council resolution 1147 (XLI), in 2019 the members of the Statistical Commission, the Commission on Population and Development, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and the Commission on Science and Technology for Development are to be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution according to a specified pattern. The pattern applicable to each functional commission is indicated in the annex, together with the current membership.



Annex

Membership of the functional commissions in 2019

Statistical Commission

(24 members; four-year term)

Five members from African States

Egypt (2021), Equatorial Guinea (2021), Kenya* (2019), South Africa (2021), Togo* (2019)

Four members from Asia-Pacific States

China (2020), Japan (2020), Qatar* (2019), Republic of Korea* (2019)

Four members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2020), Latvia* (2019), Romania* (2019), Russian Federation (2021)

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Colombia (2020), Cuba* (2019), Mexico (2020), Peru (2021)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Canada (2021), Denmark (2021), Germany (2020), Netherlands (2021), Switzerland (2020), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2020), United States of America* (2019)

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Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asia-Pacific States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

One member from Western European and other States.

* Retiring member.

Commission on Population and Development

(47 members; four-year term: membership for the fifty-third session (2019-2020))¹

Twelve members from African States²

Burkina Faso (2022), Cameroon (2021), Côte d'Ivoire (2022), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2023), Madagascar (2021), Mali (2021), Mauritania (2022), Morocco* (2020), Sudan* (2020), Togo, (2023), Uganda* (2020)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States³

Bangladesh (2022), China (2022), India (2021), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2023), Japan (2021), Malaysia (2023), Qatar* (2020), Turkmenistan* (2020), Vanuatu (2022)

Five members from Eastern European States

Belarus (2023), Bulgaria (2022), Republic of Moldova* (2020), Romania (2021), Russian Federation (2022)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States⁴

Argentina (2022), Brazil (2021), Chile* (2020), Colombia (2022), Cuba (2021), El Salvador (2023), Haiti (2022), Mexico (2021)

Ten members from Western European and other States⁵

Belgium (2021), Canada* (2020), Denmark (2021), Finland* (2020), France (2021), Germany (2022), Luxembourg (2021), Netherlands (2022), United States of America (2022)

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Nine members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Two members from Asia-Pacific States;

One member from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

¹ In accordance with its decision 2005/213, the Council will elect nine new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-fourth session, in 2020, and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-seventh session, in 2024.

² There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fifth session, in 2022 (see Council decision 2019/201 A).

³ There are two vacancies in this group, as follows: one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fourth session, in 2021; and one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fifth session, in 2022 (see Council decision 2019/201 A).

⁴ There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-sixth session, in 2023 (see Council decision 2019/201 A).

⁵ There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-sixth session, in 2023 (see Council decision 2019/201 A).

Commission for Social Development

(46 members; four-year term: membership for the fifty-eighth session (2019-2020))⁶

Twelve members from African States

Chad (2023), Congo* (2020), Côte d'Ivoire (2021), Ghana* (2020), Madagascar (2021), Malawi (2021), Morocco (2023), Rwanda* (2020), Senegal* (2020), Sierra Leone (2023), South Africa (2023), Sudan (2021)

Ten members from Asia-Pacific States⁷

Bangladesh* (2020), China (2021), India (2021), Iraq (2023), Japan* (2020), Kuwait (2021), Republic of Korea* (2020), Turkmenistan (2021)

Five members from Eastern European States

Belarus* (2020), Bulgaria (2021), Romania (2021), Russian Federation* (2020), Ukraine (2023)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina (2023), Brazil (2021), Colombia (2023), El Salvador* (2020), Guatemala (2023), Haiti (2021), Panama (2021), Paraguay* (2020), Peru* (2020)

Ten members from Western European and other States⁸

Iceland* (2020), Israel (2023), France (2021), Portugal (2023), Switzerland (2021), United States of America* (2020)

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Fifteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Three members from Asia-Pacific States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States (includes one unfilled vacancy).

⁶ In accordance with its decision 2002/210, the Council will elect 15 new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-ninth session, in 2020, and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-second session, in 2024.

⁷ There are two vacancies in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-first session, in 2023 (see Council decision 2019/201 B).

⁸ There are four vacancies in the group, as follows: one for a term expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-eighth session, in 2020; two for a term expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-ninth session, in 2021; and one for a term expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-first session, in 2023, all terms beginning on the date of election (see Council decision 2019/201 B).

Commission on the Status of Women

(45 members; four-year term: membership for the sixty-fourth session (2019-2020))⁹

Thirteen members from African States

Algeria (2022), Comoros (2022), Congo (2022), Equatorial Guinea (2023), Eritrea* (2020), Ghana (2022), Kenya (2022), Namibia (2021), Niger (2021), Nigeria* (2020), South Africa (2023), Togo (2023), Tunisia (2021)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States

Bahrain (2021), Bangladesh (2023), China (2021), Iraq (2022), Japan (2022), Kuwait* (2020), Malaysia (2023), Qatar* (2020), Republic of Korea (2022), Saudi Arabia (2022), Turkmenistan (2022)

Four members from Eastern European States

Armenia (2023), Belarus (2023), Estonia (2021), Russian Federation* (2020)

Nine members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Brazil* (2020), Chile (2021), Cuba (2023), Ecuador (2022), Guatemala* (2020), Haiti (2022), Nicaragua (2022), Peru (2021), Trinidad and Tobago* (2020)

Eight members from Western European and other States

Australia (2023), Canada (2021), Germany (2023), Ireland (2021), Israel (2021), Norway* (2020), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland* (2020), United States of America (2023)

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Ten members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asia-Pacific States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

⁹ In accordance with its decision 2002/234, the Council will elect 10 new members for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's sixty-fifth session, in 2020, and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-eighth session, in 2024.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(53 members; four-year term)¹⁰

Eleven members from African States

Algeria (2021), Burkina Faso (2021), Cameroon* (2019), Côte d'Ivoire (2021), Democratic Republic of the Congo* (2019), Kenya* (2019), Mauritania* (2019), South Africa* (2019), Sudan* (2019), Togo (2021), Uganda* (2019)

Eleven members from Asia-Pacific States¹¹

Afghanistan (2021), China* (2019), India (2021), Iran (Islamic Republic of)* (2019), Iraq (2021), Japan* (2019), Kyrgyzstan (2021), Pakistan* (2019), Qatar* (2019), Republic of Korea* (2019), Thailand* (2019)

Six members from Eastern European States

Belarus* (2019), Croatia (2021), Czechia (2021), Hungary* (2019), Russian Federation (2021), Slovakia* (2019)

Eleven members from Latin American and Caribbean States¹¹

Argentina* (2019), Brazil (2021), Chile (2021), Colombia (2021), Cuba (2021), Ecuador* (2019), El Salvador* (2019), Guatemala* (2019), Mexico* (2019), Peru* (2019), Uruguay* (2019)

Fourteen members from Western European and other States

Australia (2021), Austria* (2019), Belgium (2021), Canada (2021), France (2021), Germany* (2019), Israel* (2019), Italy* (2019), Netherlands* (2019), Norway* (2019), Spain* (2019), Switzerland (2021), Turkey* (2019), United States of America* (2019)

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Thirty-three members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Seven members from African States;

Seven members from Asia-Pacific States;

Three members from Eastern European States;

Seven members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Nine members from Western European and other States.

¹⁰ The Council will elect 33 new members for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2020 and expiring on 31 December 2023.

¹¹ In accordance with Council resolution 1991/49, one seat rotates between Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States every four years. In 2015, the rotating seat was allocated to Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2016, giving Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States 11 seats each.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

(40 members; three-year term)

Twelve members from African States

Algeria (2021), Burkina Faso (2021), Egypt (2020), Eritrea (2020), Eswatini (2021), Kenya (2020), Mauritania (2020), Mauritius (2020), Morocco (2020), Nigeria (2021), South Africa (2020), Togo (2020)

Nine members from Asia-Pacific States

Afghanistan (2020), China (2020), India (2021), Indonesia (2020), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2021), Iraq (2021), Japan (2020), Kuwait (2021), Thailand (2021)

Four members from Eastern European States¹²

Belarus (2021), Bulgaria (2020), Russian Federation (2020)

Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States

Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2020), Brazil (2021), Colombia (2020), Cuba (2021), Ecuador (2021), Guatemala (2021), Mexico (2021), Uruguay (2020)

Seven members from Western European and other States

Austria (2021), France (2021), Germany (2020), Italy (2020), Turkey (2021), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2020), United States of America (2021)

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There are no regular vacancies on the Commission to be filled in 2019.

¹² There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2021 (see Council decision 2019/201 B).

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

(43 members; four-year term)

Eleven members from African States¹³

Botswana (2022), Burkina Faso (2020), Cameroon (2020), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2020), Egypt (2022), Ethiopia (2022), Kenya (2022), Liberia (2022), Nigeria (2020), South Africa (2020)

Nine members from Asia-Pacific States

China (2022), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2022), Japan (2020), Kazakhstan (2020), Nepal (2022), Oman (2022), Saudi Arabia (2020), Thailand (2022), Turkmenistan (2020)

Five members from Eastern European States

Hungary (2022), Latvia (2022), Romania (2022), Russian Federation (2020), Serbia (2020)

Eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States¹⁴

Brazil (2020), Chile (2020), Cuba (2022), Dominican Republic (2022), Ecuador (2022), El Salvador (2020), Mexico (2020)

Ten members from Western European and other States

Austria (2020), Belgium (2022), Canada (2022), Finland (2020), Germany (2020), Portugal (2020), Switzerland (2020), Turkey (2022), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2022), United States of America (2022)

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¹³ There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2022 (see Council decision 2019/201 B).

¹⁴ There is one vacancy in this group for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2022 (see Council decision 2019/201 B).