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The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

Agenda item 115: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (continued)

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, paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly, and paragraph 47 of General Assembly resolution 71/323 on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

2. He took it that the Committee wished to follow its established practice of restricting voting to candidates for whom nominations had been received during the nomination period.

3. *It was so decided.*

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (continued)
(A/74/101/Rev.1; A/C.5/74/4)

4. **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 31 December 2019 (A/74/101/Rev.1), and communicating the names of seven persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020 (A/C.5/74/4).

5. Since the number of candidates from Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

6. *Mr. Chuasoto (Philippines), Mr. Matsunaga (Japan) and Mr. Ye Xuenong (China), for the Asia-Pacific States, and Mr. Fermín (Dominican Republic), for the Latin American and Caribbean 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 2020.*

7. **The Chair**, drawing the Committee's attention to rules 94 and 128 of the rules of procedure of the General

Assembly, invited members to elect by secret ballot two candidates from Western European and other States.

8. *At the invitation of the Chair, Mr. Ang (Singapore), Ms. Mogollón Vargas (Guatemala) and Ms. Khachidze (Georgia) acted as tellers.*

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

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	191
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	191
<i>Abstentions:</i>	1
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	190
<i>Required majority:</i>	96
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Jullier (Switzerland)	137
Mr. Fenchel (Germany)	127
Mr. Levi Sfari (Israel)	102

10. *Having obtained the highest number of votes and the required majority, Mr. Jullier (Switzerland) and Mr. Fenchel (Germany) were recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2020.*

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/74/102/Rev.1; A/C.5/74/5)

11. **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 31 December 2019 (A/74/102/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 2020 (A/C.5/74/5).

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

13. *Mr. Dème (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 of office beginning on 1 January 2020.*

14. **The Chair** said that the nomination of an additional member to fill the remaining vacancy for African States that would arise on 31 December 2019 had been postponed.

(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee
(A/74/103; A/C.5/74/6)

15. **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 Assembly to confirm the appointment of eight persons whom he had designated to fill vacancies on the Investments Committee beginning on 1 January 2020, including one appointment that had been postponed from the Assembly's seventy-third session (A/74/103), and submitting the names of four persons for confirmation of reappointment by the Assembly as regular members for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020, as well as presenting Mr. Dhar (India) for confirmation of reappointment as Chair of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2020 (A/C.5/74/6).

16. Since the number of candidates did not exceed the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the candidates' appointment or reappointment.

17. *The Committee recommended by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the appointment or reappointment of Mr. Jiang (China), Mr. Kassow (Germany), Mr. Klein (United States of America) and Ms. Ribeiro (Brazil) as regular members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2020 and the reappointment of Mr. Dhar (India) as Chair of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020.*

18. **The Chair** said that in the same note (A/C.5/74/6) the Secretary-General, referring to the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, in particular article 20 and section E of annex III, also submitted the names of four persons for confirmation of appointment by the Assembly as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020.

19. *The Committee recommended by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the appointment of Mr. Hock (Singapore), Mr. Sithole (South Africa), Ms. Stefanova (Bulgaria) and Mr. Tall (Canada) as ad hoc members of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020.*

20. **The Chair** said that the confirmation of appointments to fill three vacancies for regular members that would arise on 31 December 2019 was postponed.

(e) Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee
(A/74/105; A/C.5/74/8)

21. **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 31 December 2019 (A/74/105), and communicating the names of two persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020 (A/C.5/74/8).

22. Since the number of candidates did not exceed the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

23. *Ms. Bradely (Belize) and Mr. Kosyanenko (Russian Federation) were recommended by acclamation for appointment or reappointment to the Independent Audit Advisory Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2020.*

24. **The Chair** said that the appointment of an additional member to fill one vacancy on the Independent Audit Advisory Committee that would arise on 31 December 2019 was postponed.

(d) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (A/74/104; A/C.5/74/7)

25. **The Chair** drew attention to notes by the Secretary-General inviting the General Assembly to appoint the Auditor-General, or officer holding the equivalent title, of a Member State to fill the vacancy that would arise in the membership of the Board of Auditors on 30 June 2020 (A/74/104), and informing the Assembly that the Government of China had nominated the Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of China; the Government of the Republic of Korea had nominated the Chairperson of the Board of Audit and Inspection of the Republic of Korea; and the Government of the Philippines had nominated the Chairperson of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines (A/C.5/74/7).

26. After drawing the Committee's attention to rules 93 and 128 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, he invited members to elect by secret ballot one candidate to fill the vacancy.

27. *At the invitation of the Chair, Mr. Eboa Ebongue (Cameroon), Ms. John (Guyana) and Mr. Lavalle Merchán (Spain) acted as tellers.*

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

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	193
<i>Number of invalid ballots:</i>	2
<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>	
Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of China	86
Chairman of the Board of Audit and Inspection of the Republic of Korea	58
Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines	47

29. *No candidate having obtained the required majority, a second vote was taken by secret ballot and was restricted to the two candidates having received the highest number of votes.*

30. *At the invitation of the Chair, Mr. Eboa Ebongue (Cameroon), Ms. John (Guyana) and Mr. Lavalle Merchán (Spain) acted as tellers.*

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

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<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of China	115
Chairman of the Board of Audit and Inspection of the Republic of Korea	78

32. *Having obtained the required majority, the Auditor-General of the National Audit Office of China was recommended for appointment to the Board of Auditors for a six-year term beginning on 1 July 2020.*

The meeting rose at noon.