

**DECISION ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES WITHIN  
THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM  
Doc. EX.CL/852(XXIV)**

**The Executive Council,**

- 1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Ministerial Committee on African candidatures within the international system;
- 2. ENDORSES** the following candidatures:
  - i) **For the post of Judge to the International Criminal Court, REAFFIRMS** its earlier Decision EX.CL/Dec.810 (XXIV) of January 2014 in support of the candidature of Mr. Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua of the Democratic Republic of Congo;
  - ii) **For the post of Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization** for the period 2016-2020, the candidature of **Mr. Jeremiah Lengoasa**, of South Africa;
  - iii) **For membership and for the post of Chairperson of the International Civil Service Commission** for the period 2015-2018 during elections to be held in New York in 2014, the candidature of **Mr. Kingston Rhodes Papie** of the Republic of Sierra Leone;
  - iv) **For membership of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit** for the period 2016-2021, the candidature of **Mr Jean Christian Obame** of the Republic of Gabon;
  - v) **For membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Ali Eiad Krer** of the state of Libya;
  - vi) **For membership of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**, the candidature of **Mrs. Kheira Ouguini** of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria; the re-election of Mrs Navamane Ratna (Pramila) Patten of the Republic of Mauritius and the candidature of Ambassador Naela Gabr of the Arab Republic of Egypt;
  - vii) **For the post of Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union** during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in Busan, South Korea, the candidature of **Mr. Brahim Sanou** of Burkina Faso;
  - viii) **For membership of the Committee on Radio Communication Regulation (RRB) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)** during elections to be held in Busan, South Korea, from 20 October to 7 November 2014, the candidature of **Mrs Anissa Guellal** of

- the Peoples Democratic Republic of Algeria; and candidature of Mr Starley Kaige Kibe of the Republic of Kenya;
- ix) **For membership of the UN Advisory Committee on Independent Audit** during elections to be held in November 2014, the candidature of **Mr Richard Quartei Quartey of the Republic of Ghana;**
  - x) **For the post of Secretary General of the African Union Telecommunication,** the candidature of **Mr. Abdoukarim Soumaila** of the Republic of Niger;
  - xi) **For membership of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child** during elections to be held on 25 June 2014 in New York, the candidature of **Mr. Sambala Traore of the Republic of Mali,** the candidature of **Mr. Hatem Kotrane of the Republic of Tunisia,** the candidature of **Mrs Louisa Oussedik of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria** and the candidature of **Ambassador Gahad Madi of the Arab Republic of Egypt;**
  - xii) **For membership of the Economic and Social Council,** the candidature of **Burkina Faso,** the candidature of the **Republic of Ghana,** the candidature of the **Islamic Republic of Mauritania,** the candidature of the **Republic of Uganda** and the candidature of the **Republic of Zimbabwe;**
  - xiii) **For membership of the Committee on Conferences,** the candidature of the **Republic of Namibia** and the candidature of the **Republic of Central African Republic;**
  - xiv) **For the post of President of G-77 and China,** the candidature of **South Africa;**
  - xv) **For the Vice Chairman of the CODEX Alimentarius Commission** at elections scheduled to be held in Geneva from 14-18 July, the candidature of **Professor Salah Abou-Raya of the Arab Republic of Egypt;**

### **3. FURTHER APPROVES:**

- i) The candidature of the Republic of Kenya for membership of the International Standardisation Organisation for the period 2015 to 2017 during elections scheduled for September 2014;
- ii) The candidature of **Burkina Faso,** the candidature of **the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria,** the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** and the candidature of **the Republic of Ghana,** the candidature of **the Republic of Kenya** and the candidature of **the Arab Republic of Egypt** for membership of the **Council of the International Telecommunication Union** for the period 2014-2018;

- iii) The candidatures of the **Republic of The Sudan** and the **Republic of Angola for membership of the Board of Directors of the International Labour Office** for the 2014-2017 period, according to consultation by the Commission and Social Affairs in pursuance of Decision EX.CL.Dec.398 (XII);
- iv) The candidature of the **Republic of Ghana for re-election for membership of the Council of the International Telecommunication Union** during elections to be held from 20 October to 7 November 2014 in the Republic of Korea;
- v) For membership of the Human Rights Council for the period 2015 to 2017, the candidature of the **Republic of Botswana**, the candidature of the **Republic of Congo**, the candidature of the **Republic of Ghana** and the candidature of the **Federal Republic of Nigeria**;
- vi) The candidature of the **Republic of Malawi for the post of Coordinator of Developing Countries within the Global Partnership for Effective Development**.

4. **TAKES NOTE** of the candidatures listed hereunder and **ENCOURAGES** the candidates to continue consultations with a view to reaching a consensus. In the event that no consensus is reached, the Committee recommends all five candidates for elections:

- i) For the post of World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Director for Africa, the candidature of **Dr Fatoumata Nafo Traore** of the Republic of Mali; **Dr. Matshidiso Moeti** of the Republic of Botswana; **Professor Therese Aya N'Dri-Yoman** of the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire; **Dr. Jean Marie Okwo Bele** of the Democratic Republic of Congo; **Professor Kinde Gazard Akoko-Dorothee** of the Republic of Benin;
- ii) For the post of Deputy Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for the period 2014-2018, to conduct consultations to nominate a single candidate: The candidature of **Eng. Shola Taylor** of Federal Republic of Nigeria and and the candidature of **Mrs. Fatimetou Mint Mohamed Saleck** of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania ;
- iii) **Regarding the election for the post of President of the Assembly of the Parties to the Rome Statutes of the International Criminal Court, REQUESTS** the Republic of Senegal, the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Republic of Botswana , to continue with consultations with a view to designating a single candidate for Africa, during elections to be held in New York.

5. **FURTHER TAKES NOTE** and **DECIDES** to defer consideration of the following three nominations to the session preceding the election, namely:

- i) The January 2015 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Senegal** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2016-2017;
  - ii) The January 2017 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Equatorial Guinea** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2018-2019;
  - iii) The January 2019 session, the candidature of **the Republic of Tunisia** for the post of non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the period 2020-2021.
6. **ENCOURAGES** Member States that submitted candidatures for posts for which the Committee was unable to reach a consensus, to carry out consultations among themselves with a view to nominating a single candidate, in order to maximize the chances of candidates presented by Africa;
  7. **RECALLS** its previous decisions concerning respecting decisions taken by the AU on African candidatures within the international system and **URGENTLY APPEALS** to all Member States to abide by the commitments made in this regard, particularly in order to avoid a repetition of the situation which occurred in the case of the election of members of the International Narcotics Control Board, where Africa lost all the posts;
  8. **TAKES NOTE** of the reservations of the Republic of Benin in relation with its candidate, **Maitre Reine Alapini Gansou**, whose candidature was not approved due to its late submission and the fact that the candidature of the Democratic Republic of Congo, **Mr. Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua**, was already endorsed in January 2014 for the post of Judge to the International Criminal Court.