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**VACANCIES TO BE FILLED DURING THE 124<sup>th</sup> ASSEMBLY**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

On 20 April 2011, the Governing Council will be required to elect **one member** to replace Mr. R.M.K. Al Shariqi (United Arab Emirates), who is no longer a member of parliament (Article 23.6 of the IPU Statutes).

*Candidatures from the corresponding geopolitical group - the Arab Group - accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae, may be submitted up to 9 a.m. on Tuesday, 19 April 2011.*

**SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION**

Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians

On 15 April 2011, the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Women Parliamentarians will be called upon to elect:

- (i) **Two titular regional representatives** from the Arab Group, to replace Ms. S. Greiss (Egypt) and Ms. A. Al Qubaisi (United Arab Emirates) who are no longer members of parliament;
- (ii) **One titular regional representative** from the Asia-Pacific Group, to replace Ms. J. Hall (Australia) who has resigned from her post on the Committee; and
- (iii) **One substitute regional representative** from the Eurasia Group, a vacancy not filled at the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Women Parliamentarians.

*Geopolitical groups are requested to submit candidatures in writing, by 6 p.m. on Thursday, 14 April 2011 at the latest, to the Manager of the Gender Partnership Programme, Ms. K. Jabre. Candidatures should be accompanied by a signed covering letter from the geopolitical group and a brief curriculum vitae (three paragraphs maximum) of the candidate in English and/or French only, for distribution to participants.*

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 20 April 2011, the Governing Council will be required to elect:

- **Two titular members** to replace Ms. Z. Benarous (Algeria) and Ms. S. Carstairs (Canada), whose terms of office expire at the 188<sup>th</sup> session of the Governing Council.

*Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9 a.m. on Tuesday, 19 April 2011.*

Committee on Middle East Questions

On 20 April 2011, the Governing Council will be required to elect:

- **Two titular and two substitute members**, following the recommendation to increase the membership of the Committee from five to seven titular and substitute members. Members are reminded that the Governing Council has directed that no more than four of the seven members should be of the same gender. As the Committee currently includes four male titular members, the two additional titular members to be elected should be female. Similarly, at least one of the two additional substitute members to be elected should be female.

*Candidatures, accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum), may be submitted up to 9 a.m. on Friday, 15 April 2011.*

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- *Mr. A.L. El-Zein (Lebanon): candidature as titular member submitted by the Lebanese National Assembly;*
- *Mr. H. Falahatpisheh (Islamic Republic of Iran): candidature as titular member submitted by the Secretary General of the Iranian Inter-Parliamentary Group.*

**Standing Committee Bureaux**

First Standing Committee (Peace and International Security)

Apart from the following vacancy:

- **one titular vice-president** for the Twelve Plus Group;

only those members of the current Bureau of the First Standing Committee (titular and substitute) who are marked in the table below as "eligible" (cf. Rule 8.1) may stand for re-election at the Assembly in Panama.

<b>President:</b>	Mr. T. Boa (Côte d'Ivoire) <i>Not eligible</i>	<i>African Group</i>
<b>First Vice-President:</b>	Mr. S.H. Chowdury (Bangladesh) <b>Eligible</b>	<i>Asia-Pacific Group</i>
<b>Vice-Presidents:</b>	TITULAR	SUBSTITUTE
<i>African Group</i>	<i>Current President</i>	Mr. Z. Madasa (South Africa) <i>Not eligible</i>
<i>Arab Group</i>	Mr. B. Boutouiga (Algeria) <i>Not eligible</i>	Ms. L. Bennani Smires (Morocco) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Asia-Pacific Group</i>	<i>Current First Vice-President</i>	Mr. J.D. Seelam (India) <i>Not eligible</i>
<i>Eurasia Group</i>	Ms. N. Mazai (Belarus) <b>Eligible</b>	Mr. V. Nefedov (Russian Federation) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Latin American Group</i>	Mr. A. Gutiérrez Cueva (Peru) <b>Eligible</b>	Mr. A. Santos (Brazil) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Twelve Plus Group</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>	Baroness Thomas of Walliswood (United Kingdom) <b>Eligible</b>

*Candidatures from the African Group (titular and substitute), Arab Group (titular), Asia-Pacific Group (substitute) and Twelve Plus Group (titular) may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on Monday, 18 April 2011 at the last sitting of the Committee.*

Second Standing Committee (Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade)

Apart from the following vacancies:

- **one substitute vice-president** for the Arab Group; and
  - **one titular and one substitute vice-president** for the Eurasia Group;
- only those members of the current Bureau of the Second Standing Committee (titular and substitute) who are marked in the table below as "eligible" may stand for re-election at the Assembly in Panama.

<b>President:</b>	Mr. P. Martin-Lalande (France) <i>Not eligible</i>	<i>Twelve Plus Group</i>
<b>First Vice-President:</b>	Mr. S. Al Hossaini (Saudi Arabia) <b>Eligible</b>	<i>Arab Group</i>
<b>Vice-Presidents:</b>	TITULAR	SUBSTITUTE
<i>African Group</i>	Ms. L.S. Changwe (Zambia) <b>Eligible</b>	Mr. K. Mporogomyi (United Rep. of Tanzania) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Arab Group</i>	<i>Current First Vice-President</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>
<i>Asia-Pacific Group</i>	Ms. S. Tioulong (Cambodia) <i>Not eligible</i>	Ms. D. Vale (Australia) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Eurasia Group</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>
<i>Latin American Group</i>	Mr. A. Lins (Brazil) <i>Not eligible</i>	Mr. S. Reyes (El Salvador) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Twelve Plus Group</i>	<i>Current President</i>	Mr. F. Notari (Monaco) <i>Not eligible</i>

*Candidatures from the Arab Group (substitute), Asia-Pacific Group (titular), Eurasia Group (titular and substitute), Latin American Group (titular) and Twelve Plus Group (titular and substitute) may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on Tuesday, 19 April 2011 at the last sitting of the Committee.*

Third Standing Committee (Democracy and Human Rights)

Apart from the following vacancies:

- **one titular and one substitute vice-president** for the Arab Group; only those members of the current Bureau of the Third Standing Committee (titular and substitute) who are marked in the table below as "eligible" may stand for re-election at the Assembly in Panama.

<b>President:</b>	Mr. J.C. Mahía (Uruguay) <b>Eligible</b>	<i>Latin American Group</i>
<b>First Vice-President:</b>	Mr. Y. Zhumabayev (Kazakhstan) <i>Not eligible</i>	<i>Eurasia Group</i>
<b>Vice-Presidents:</b>	TITULAR	SUBSTITUTE
<i>African Group</i>	Mr. O. Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu (Ghana) <b>Eligible</b>	Ms. P. Fouty-Soungou (Congo) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Arab Group</i>	Vacancy	Vacancy
<i>Asia-Pacific Group</i>	Mr. S.S. Ahluwalia (India) <b>Eligible</b>	Mr. T.J. Wan Junaidi (Malaysia) <i>Not eligible</i>
<i>Eurasia Group</i>	<i>Current First Vice-President</i>	Mr. S. Gavrilov (Russian Federation) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Latin American Group</i>	<i>Current President</i>	Ms. D. Castañeda (Panama) <b>Eligible</b>
<i>Twelve Plus Group</i>	Ms. R.M. Albernaz (Portugal) <i>Not eligible</i>	Mr. J. Winkler (Germany) <b>Eligible</b>

*Candidatures from the Arab Group (titular and substitute), Asia-Pacific Group (substitute), Eurasia Group (titular), and the Twelve Plus Group (titular) may be submitted up to the time of the elections, which will take place on Tuesday, 19 April 2011 at the last sitting of the Committee.*