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Item 11 of the provisional agenda **Appointment of an External Auditor**

Candidates for the appointment of an External Auditor

Report by the Director General

The present report provides information on the candidatures received for the appointment of an External Auditor as of 11 March 2019.

- In its decision GC.17/Dec.17, the General Conference decided in 2017 to appoint the Auditor General of the Philippines as the External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years, from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020, under the terms of reference specified in the Financial Regulations of UNIDO.
- General Conference decision GC.6/Dec.18 requests the Director General to invite proposals from Member States for the appointment of an External Auditor. Member States were also requested to submit such proposals to the Programme and Budget Committee for consideration. In compliance with that decision, a note verbale dated 23 January 2019 was sent to Member States, asking them to inform the Director General by 1 March 2019 of their interest in providing the services of an External Auditor. The proposals thus received were to be submitted to the Programme and Budget Committee at its thirty-fifth session, to be held from 14 to 16 May 2019.
- As of 11 March 2019, the following candidatures were received for the appointment of an External Auditor:

Comptroller and Auditor General of Mr. Mohammad Muslim Chowdhury

Bangladesh

Mr. Tshering Kezang Auditor General of Bhutan

Chairman of the Audit Board of Mr. Moermahadi Soerja Djanegara

Indonesia

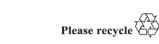
Chairperson of the Commission on Mr. Michael G. Aguinaldo

Audit of the Philippines

Mr. Alexei Leonidovich Kudrin Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of

the Russian Federation

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- 4. All candidates completed the standardized form "Proposal for appointment of External Auditor". The compilation of replies received will be brought to the attention of the Committee for its consideration in a conference room paper to be distributed prior to the session, thus facilitating the decision-making process.
- 5. An information note dated 11 March 2019 was circulated to Permanent Missions. This note contained a copy of the relevant communications concerning the candidatures, which are also reproduced in the annex to the present document.

Action required of the Committee

6. The Committee may wish to propose to the Industrial Development Board that it recommends to the General Conference the appointment of one of the candidates as External Auditor for UNIDO, for a period of two years, beginning 1 July 2020. The appointment would fall under the terms of reference specified in article XI (and annex) of the Financial Regulations of UNIDO. The travel and other costs related to the regular audit work are to be borne by the External Auditor. UNIDO provides a fixed fee, as approved in the programme and budgets.

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Annex

Communications concerning candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor by 11 March 2019¹

A. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Mohammad Muslim Chowdhury, Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh

Embassy and Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

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The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and with reference to the latter's note CU 2019/504/UNIDO/PMO/EA, dated 23 January, 2019, has the honour to inform the Secretariat of the candidature of Mr. Mohammad Muslim Chowdhury, Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh, for the post of the External Auditor of UNIDO for the period of two years beginning on 1st July, 2020.

The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of UNIDO the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 1 March 2019

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People's Republic of Bangladesh,
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United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Vienna

B. Communication concerning the candidature of Mr. Tshering Kezang, Auditor General of Bhutan

Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bhutan to the United Nations

BMG/UN-28 (4)/2018/3783

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bhutan to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and with reference to latter's note CU 2019/504/UNIDO/PMO/EA dated 23rd January 2019, has the honour to submit candidature of Mr. Tshering Kezang, Auditor General of Bhutan, for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for the period of two years beginning on 1st July 2020. His completed application form and CV are attached.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bhutan has further the honour to enclose the CV's of the following three officials of the Royal Audit Authority, who could assist the Auditor General, if required;

- 1. Mr. Chimi Dorji, Deputy Auditor General
- 2. Mr. Ugyen Dorji, Deputy Auditor General
- 3. Mr. Karma Jambayyang, Deputy Auditor General

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¹ These communications are reproduced in the form in which they were received by the Secretariat.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bhutan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the UNIDO the assurance of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 1 March 2019

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Director General
United Nations Industrial Development Organization

C. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Moermahadi Soerja Djanegara, Chairman of the Audit Board of Indonesia²

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna

No. 00129/TI/03/2019/EK

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and with reference to its note No. CU 2019/504/UNIDO/PMO/EA, has the honour to present the nomination of the Supreme Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia to be an External Auditor of the UNIDO for the period of 1 July 2020–30 June 2022.

In this regard, the Permanent Mission kindly submits the attached letter from Chairman of the Supreme Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia to the Director General of the UNIDO regarding the nomination.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 1 March 2019

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In Vienna

D. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Michael G. Aguinaldo, Chairperson of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines

Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to the United Nations and other International Organizations, Vienna

No.: VN-PH-94-2019

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Secretariat, and has the honour to inform that the Honourable MICHAEL AGUINALDO, Chairperson of the Commission on Audit of the Republic of the Philippines, and current External

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² Note verbale provided in Indonesian together with an unofficial translation into English which is reproduced in this document.

Auditor of UNIDO for the term 01 July 2018 to 30 June 2020, expresses his interest to renew his mandate as External Auditor for the term 01 July 2020 to 30 June 2022.

The Permanent Mission further has the honour to attach the proposal for the renewal of Mr. Aguinaldo's position as UNIDO External Auditor.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the UNIDO Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 28 February 2019

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E. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Alexei Leonidovich Kudrin, Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation

Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna

No. 824-n

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and with reference to the latter's note CU 2019/504/UNIDO/PMO/EA, dated 23 January, 2019, has the honour to inform the Secretariat of the candidature of Mr. Alexei Leonidovich Kudrin, Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation, for the post of the External Auditor of UNIDO for the period of two years beginning on 1st July 2020. The completed application form and a CV are attached.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of UNIDO the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 27 February 2019

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