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Candidates for the appointment of an External Auditor

Report by the Director General

The present report provides updates on the candidatures received for the appointment of an External Auditor as of 24 November 2021.

1. Subsequent to the issuance of document IDB.49/10-PBC.37/10 and as announced in information note no. 68 dated 1 October 2021, a note verbale received on 28 September 2021 from the Permanent Mission of Turkey, informed the Secretariat of the recent election and assignment of Mr. Metin Yener as the new President of the Turkish Court of Accounts. The note verbale is reproduced in annex I to the present document.

2. On 17 November, as announced in information note no. 88 dated 22 November 2021, an additional note verbale from the Permanent Mission of Turkey was received, containing an updated version of the nomination form. The note verbale is reproduced in annex II to the present document

3. On 24 November 2021, as announced in information note no. 90, a note verbale was received from the Permanent Mission of Iraq to UNIDO, informing the Secretariat of the withdrawal of its candidate for the post of External Auditor. The note verbale is reproduced in annex III to the present document.

4. Thus, as of 24 November 2021, the status of candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor is as follows:

Mr. Agung Firman Sampurna	Chairman of the Audit Board of Indonesia
Mr. Aleksei Kudrin	Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation
Mr. Metin Yener	President of the Court of Accounts of Turkey

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5. An updated compilation of the standardized forms "Proposal for appointment of External Auditor" and "Personal history statement", filled out by the candidates, will be brought to the attention of the Conference for its consideration in a conference room paper issued prior to the session, to facilitate the decision-making process.

Action required of the Conference

6. The Conference is asked to take a decision on the appointment of one of the candidates as External Auditor for UNIDO, for a period of two years, beginning 1 July 2022. The appointment falls 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 of the Organization.

Annex I¹

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the Office of 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 the Latter's Note Verbale No. CU 2020/435/UNIDO/PMO/EA dated 13 January 2021 and the Permanent Mission's Note Verbale No. 32376840 dated 22 February 2021, has the honour to inform the Secretariat that Mr. Metin Yener has been recently elected and assigned as the new President of the Turkish Court of Accounts.

The Permanent Mission would like to kindly enclose herewith the updated nomination form of the new President of the Turkish Court of Accounts for appointment as External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2022 and request the Secretariat to circulate this Note Verbale along with the updated form to all UNIDO Members.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the Office of 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 the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 28 September 2021

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Annex II²

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Vienna

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the Office of 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 the Latter's Note Verbale No. CU 2020/435/UNIDO/PMO/EA dated 13 January 2021 and the Permanent Mission's Notes Verbales No. 32376840 dated 22 February 2021 and No. 33314550 dated 28 September 2021, has the honour to enclose herewith the slightly updated version of the nomination form of the Turkish Court of Accounts (TCA) for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2022.

The updated form only includes a refinement on the breakdown of audit days for a better understanding of the commitment of TCA and no further change has been made in other parts of the form. A summary note regarding the amendment is also enclosed for reference.

The Permanent Mission kindly requests the Secretariat to circulate this Note Verbale and its Annexes to all UNIDO Members.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the Office of 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 the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 17 November 2021

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Annex III³

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Note verbale

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Iraq to the United Nations and to the International Organizations in Vienna, presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), and has the honour to inform that in the spirit of consensus, Iraq has decided to withdraw the candidature of Dr. Mohamed Abdul Jaleel Abbas from the Federal Board of Supreme Audit in Iraq, for the post of an External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2022.

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

Vienna, 24/11/2021

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To the:

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