



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

8 February 2021

Excellencies,

In my capacity as President of the Human Rights Council, I have the honour to submit for your attention the list of candidates proposed for the six vacancies of special procedure mandate holders scheduled to be filled at the 46th session of the Human Rights Council (listed in alphabetical order):

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Africa;**
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from North America;**
3. **Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions;**
4. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia;**
5. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from African States;**
6. **Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, member from Asia-Pacific States.**

In follow-up to my letter of 25 January 2021, and in accordance with paragraphs 52 and 53 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, upon receipt of the Consultative Group's report, I have held broad consultations in particular through the regional coordinators and based on the recommendations of the Consultative Group, to ensure the endorsement of my proposed candidates.

Following my thorough consultations with States and other relevant stakeholders, I have decided to follow the first recommendation of the Consultative Group for all six mandates.

As to the **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Africa**, I propose for appointment Ms. Margaret LOKAWUA (Uganda).

In relation to the **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from North America**, I propose for appointment Ms. Sheryl LIGHTFOOT (Canada).

With regard to the position of **Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**, I propose for appointment Mr. Morris TIDBALL-BINZ (Chile).

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva



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For the position of **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia**, I propose for appointment **Mr. Vitit MUNTARBHORN (Thailand)**.

As to the **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from African States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Catherine S. NAMAKULA (Uganda)**.

In relation to the **Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, member from Asia-Pacific States**, I propose for appointment **Ms. Priya GOPALAN (Malaysia)**.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Consultative Group for their hard work, which has facilitated my efforts to identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nazhat Shameem KHAN', is written over a faint circular stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive, extending to the right with a long horizontal stroke.

Nazhat Shameem KHAN  
President of the Human Rights Council