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The Secretary-General of the United Nations has the honour to refer to the election of nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, as provided for under article 8 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

The Secretary-General wishes to confirm that the twenty-seventh meeting of the States parties to the Convention to elect nine members of the Committee is scheduled to be held at the United Nations Headquarters, New York, on 22 June 2017.

His Excellency's Government is hereby invited to be represented at the Meeting and to forward, if possible not less than one week before the Meeting, the credentials for its representative, issued either by the Head of State or Government, or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, together with the names of the other members of its delegation. Credentials should be directed to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasic (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. +1 (212) 963-5998).

The following documents for the Meeting can be found on the OHCHR website at the following address:

## http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CERD/Pages/Elections27.aspx

- (a) The provisional agenda (CERD/SP/79);
- (b) A note by the Secretary-General (CERD/SP/80 and CERD/SP/80/Add.1) concerning the election of the nine members of the Committee and containing a list, in alphabetical order, of all persons nominated for the election by the States parties with an indication of the States parties which have nominated them, including also, in an annex, the biographical data of nominees, as provided by the States parties concerned;
- (c) The rules of procedure (CERD/SP/2/Rev.1) adopted at the First Meeting of the States parties and revised at the Eleventh Meeting of the States parties.

17 May 2017