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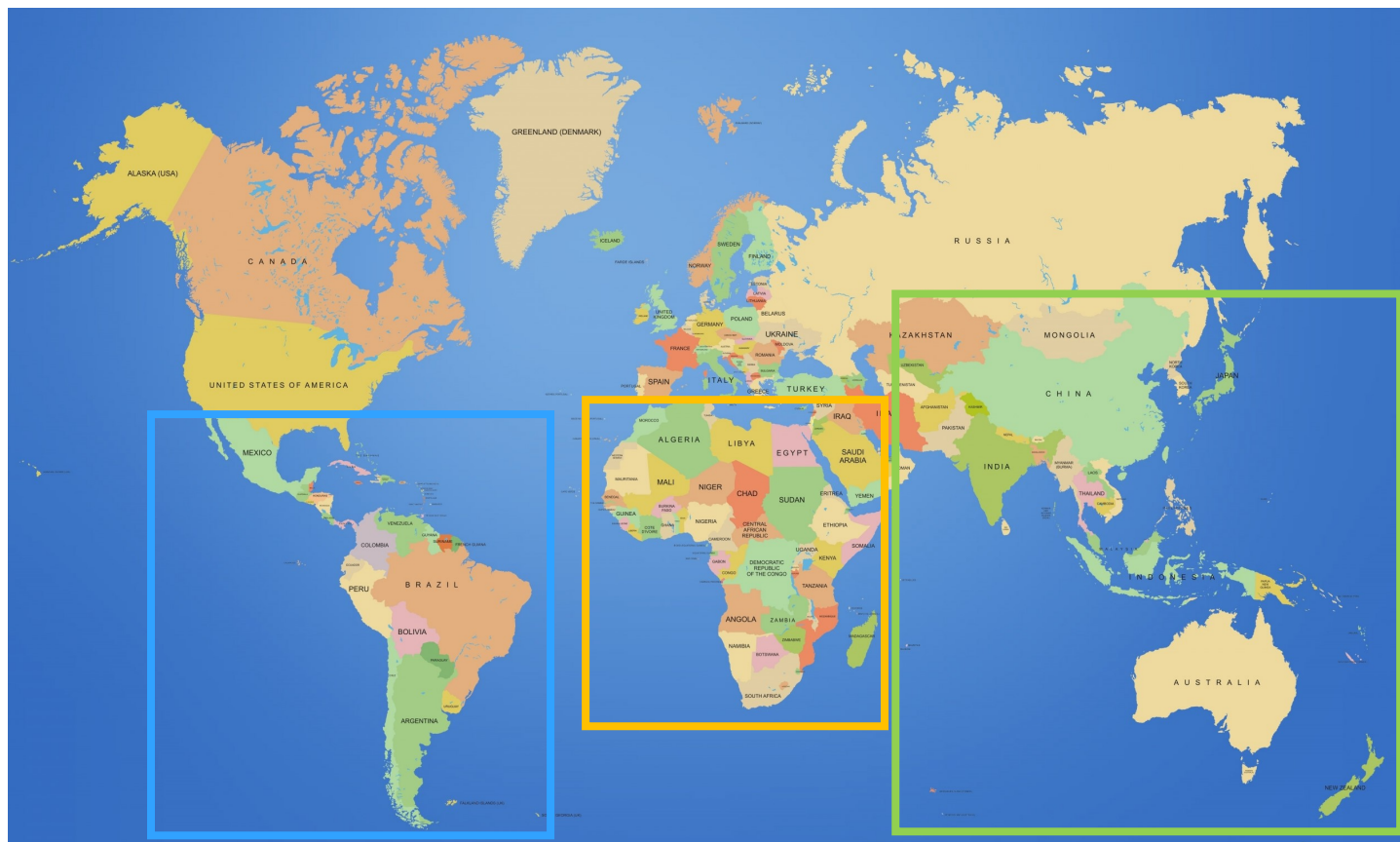
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ANGOLA



AFONSO DA CRUZ ALVARO

First Secretary

Multilateral Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Mr. Afonso da Cruz Álvaro is a Diplomat (1st Secretary) within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the Department at the Multilateral Affairs in Luanda. This Department currently attends to human rights matters. He has been an official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 2003 and has worked in the Human Resources Department for eight years.

During his period of service under the Foreign Affairs Ministry, he served in various areas: the multilateral cooperation Department Support Office for the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (GACPLP), Human Resources Department and lastly served as head of Economic Affairs at the Federal Angolan Embassy in the Republic of Nigeria.

Mr. Álvaro holds a Bachelor's Degree (honours) in Management and Public Administration from Agostinho Neto University.

This is his first time in Geneva and his first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

BANGLADESH



ARIFA AFRIN

Assistant Secretary (United Nations)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Ms. Arifa Afrin has been serving as an Assistant Secretary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since April 2019. She is currently working in the United Nations wing where she is responsible for dealing with Human Rights issues and peace and security issues, including UN peacekeeping and peacebuilding. Beyond this, she deals with Humanitarian issues such as the Rohingya crisis.

Ms. Afrin holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology, Dhaka. She is currently pursuing her Professional Masters in International Relations from University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.

She has also secured First Position in the Foundation Training Course for the officials of Bangladesh Civil Service and was awarded with the Rector's Medal.

This is her first time in Geneva and her first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

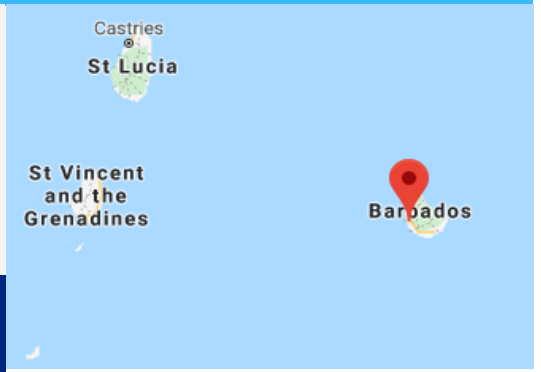
BARBADOS



REAN GIBSON

**Research Analyst; Bureau of Social Policy
Research and Planning**

**Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder
Affairs.**



Ms. Rean Gibson has held the position of Research Analyst within the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs for five years. This Ministry has the sole responsibility for the provision of social services to vulnerable groups such as children, the elderly, those with disabilities and the poor. It is also tasked with ensuring the integration of gender into all national development plans and policies.

In light of its mandate, the Ministry reports to International Human Rights bodies such as CEDAW, UNCRC and UNCRPD.

Ms. Gibson has previously taken a course in International Human Rights Law and has also served on the Barbados National Human Rights Coordinating Committee for Reporting to the UN Human Rights Council. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Law from the University of the West-Indies, Cave-Hill and a Master of Science in Social Policy from the University of the West Indies, Mona.

This is her first time in Geneva and her first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

BURKINA FASO



TÉGAWENDÉ ELIANE YAMEOGO

Conseiller en Droits Humains

**Ministère des Droits Humains et de la Pro-
motion Civique.**



Depuis le mois de septembre 2016, madame Tégawendé Eliane YAMEOGO est en service à la direction générale de la défense des droits humains du Ministère des droits humains et de la promotion civique. A ce titre, elle assure la coordination et l'impulsion de l'action du Ministère en matière de protection et de défense des droits humains.

Juriste de formation, madame Tégawendé Eliane YAMEOGO est titulaire d'une maîtrise en Droit public obtenue à l'Université Ouaga II et d'un diplôme en droits humains obtenu à l'Ecole Nationale d'Administration et de Magistrature (ENAM) Burkina Faso. Elle a en outre suivi des formations et des séminaires nationaux.

Il s'agit de sa première participation à une session ordinaire du Conseil des droits de l'homme

Since September 2016, Ms. Tégawendé Eliane Yameogo has been working at the Directorate General for the Defence of Human Rights of the Ministry of Human Rights and Civic Promotion. As such, she ensures the coordination and the Ministry's action in terms of protection and defense of human rights.

A lawyer by training, Ms. Tégawendé Eliane YAMEOGO holds a Master's degree in Public Law from the University of Ouagadougou II and a diploma in human rights from the National School of Administration and Magistracy (ENAM) Burkina Faso. She has also attended national training courses and seminars.

This is her first participation in a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

CAMBODIA



ITH ISA

Deputy Chief of Bureau, Department of the United Nations

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation



Mr. Ith Isa is a Deputy Chief of Bureau with the Department of the United Nations, within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. As Deputy Chief of Bureau, he is responsible for Human Rights tasks and for coordinating the human rights works of the Cambodian missions with relevant local Human Rights Institutions. He is also responsible for presenting to state leaders about Cambodia's position regarding the human rights resolutions in the Third Committee and the UN General Assembly, about disarmament tasks (by providing inputs for leaders' high consideration on resolutions in the First Committee), and UNSC Resolutions by coordinating and drafting the Cambodian National Report on the Implementation of UNSC Resolutions within the Inter-ministerial Working Group. Moreover, he also conducts administrative tasks such as drafting aide-memoires and talking points for his supervisors upon participating in various meetings and discussions.

Previously, he was responsible for tasks related to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and candidature of various countries in the post of UN agencies and other international organizations.

In 2013, Mr. Isa graduated with a Bachelor's degree in the International Relations from the University of Cambodia. He also holds a Certificate of High Ranking Civil Servant Student from the Royal School of Administration, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, majoring in diplomacy.

This is his first time in Geneva and his first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council

GUYANA



SHARMAYNE BALRAM

Foreign Service Officer

Multilateral and Global Affairs Department Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Ms. Sharmayne Balram currently serves as a Foreign Service Officer in the Multilateral and Global Affairs Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

She joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2015 after graduating from the University of Guyana with studies in International Relations. She has subsequently completed language and culture studies at the Japanese Language Institute, the Foreign Service Institute, the Confucius Institute and career courses from the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, Diplomatic Academy of Chile, University of London and Wharton University of Pennsylvania.

Since her induction, she has served as the Desk Officer for United Nations Specialized Agencies, Funds and Programmes, and other International Organisations and related matters pertaining to Human Rights and Women and Gender Affairs. She also serves as the Elections and Candidatures Officer of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This is her first time in Geneva and her first time attending a session of the Human Rights Council.

HAITI



OSSE ARISTILD

Deuxième-Assistant

Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et des Cultes



Mr. Osse Aristild, Second Assistant, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Religious Affairs entered his role in 2012. He is assigned to the Department of Legal Affairs. He represents this Ministry at the Interministerial Committee for the Rights of Persons (CIDP), the government entity responsible for the coordination and harmonization of public policies in the field of human rights in accordance with the Constitution and the commitments made by Haiti. In 2014, he was Deputy Delegate of the Republic of Haiti at the 69th session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Mr. Aristild did his graduate studies at the State University of Haiti. He holds a Master in History, a license in International Relations and a law degree, and is a lawyer at the Port-au-Prince Bar. He has attended several seminars, including the 94th Course on International Refugee Law at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in Sanremo, Italy and International Treaty Law and Practice at the United Nations Institute for Training and Research UNITAR in New York.

This is his first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

MALDIVES



AMINATH NAHEE

Legal Officer

Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Mrs. Aminath Nahee joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives in March 2010 as a Desk Officer. She worked at the Multilateral Affairs Department and Consular Affairs Department. Since March 2018 she has worked as a Legal Officer at the Legal Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Her main Responsibilities include drafting legal instruments, providing legal opinions to the Ministry and its' Missions, coordinating with the relevant Government Institutions in formulating the periodic Reports to the relevant Treaty Bodies and collaborating with the Attorney General's Office in formulating Government Responses to the UN Special Procedures.

Mrs. Nahee holds a Bachelor of Shari'ah and Law (Honours) Degree from Maldives National University.

This is her first time in Geneva and her first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council

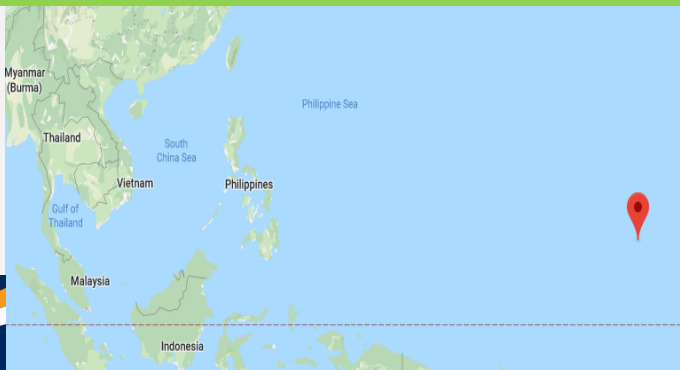
MARSHALL ISLANDS



ASIA CHONG-GUM

Chief of Staff Training and Development

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade



Ms. Asia Chong-Gum graduated from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in December 2017 with a BA in Pacific Islands Studies focusing on Public Policy and Community Development. During her studies she developed an interest in foreign policy within the Pacific region and how Marshall Islands fits into the international arena of foreign affairs.

Ms. Chong-Gum has been with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since September 2019 as the Chief of Staff Training and Development. She is responsible for ensuring that all staff receive training to enhance their skills and abilities, in order to further strengthen the Ministry. In addition, she assists to strategically implement new trainings that may be more suitable for other Ministries or within her division. She also works closely with all Bureaus within the Ministry and provides support as needed.

This is her first time in Geneva and first time attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

SOLOMON ISLANDS



UNDI PELOBULE JNR

Political Desk Officer

United Nations and Americas Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade



Mr. Undi Pelobule Jnr has worked for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade since 2017 as a Political Desk Officer under the United Nations and Americas Division.

As a Political Desk Officer, he is part of the team that is responsible for facilitating official UN correspondences, meetings, briefs and consultations between other Ministries. He is also responsible for ensuring that the Government adheres to its Multi-lateral engagements with UN Organisation. His division is also responsible for ensuring that the Government is committed to its UN Treaty & Convention obligations, Human Rights obligations and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Mr. Pelobule is a member of the Government's Anti-Human Trafficking Advisory Committee (AHTAC), the National Advisory and Action Committee on Children (NAACC), and the current National Technical Working Group on Solomon Islands 3rd UPR reporting.

Bilaterally, he is part of the Division that manages partnerships with countries from the North and South America and the Caribbean Island states. Mr. Pelobule holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree, double majors in Politics and Public Administration, from the University of the South Pacific.

This is his first time in Geneva and his first attending a regular session of the Human Rights Council.

