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**Subject: Call for applications for the vacancy of the Special Rapporteur on the rights   
to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association**

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations and other human rights bodies, and has the honour to inform them that a vacancy of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association (HRC resolution 32/32) has arisen following the resignation of the current mandate holder. The new Special Rapporteur is to be appointed at the thirty-seventh session of the Council (26 February to 23 March 2018).

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **23 January 2018 (12 noon Greenwich Mean Time / GMT)** through the on-line application procedure available on [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/HRC37.aspx](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/HRC37.aspx) and consisting of (1) an online survey and (2) an application form in Word format to be downloaded. Further information on the selection and appointment procedure is available at the following web page: [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx)

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The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations and other human rights bodies the assurances of its highest consideration.

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