



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

29 January 2024

Excellencies,

I have the honour to transmit to you the report of the Consultative Group dated 29 January 2024, with its recommendations of candidates for consideration for the appointment to the following 12, out of 14, vacancies of mandate holders that are to be filled at the fifty-fifth session of the Human Rights Council:

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, member from Africa** (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, member from North America** (Human Rights Council resolution 33/25)
3. **Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/4)
4. **Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali** (Human Rights Council resolution 52/42)¹
5. **Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/8)
6. **Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association** (Human Rights Council resolution 50/17)
7. **Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from African States** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
8. **Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Asia-Pacific States** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
9. **Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Eastern European States** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
10. **Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Latin American and Caribbean States** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)

Enclosure

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva

¹ The appointment of this mandate holder will be made provided that the mandate itself is extended by the Human Rights Council.



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

11. **Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Western European and other States** (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
12. **Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from African States** (Human Rights Council resolution 51/13)

I have been informed that the Consultative Group will send an addendum to the enclosed report that will include the recommendations of candidates for the unforeseen vacancies of Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment¹ and of Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change, which arose due to the resignation of the mandate holders.

I take this opportunity to recall that, according to paragraph 52 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, “on the basis of the recommendations of the Consultative Group and following broad consultations, in particular through the regional coordinators, the President of the Council will identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.”

In line with this paragraph, I will be holding broad consultations, based on this report, with a view to identifying appropriate candidates for the above-mentioned vacancies.

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

Omar Zniber
President of the Human Rights Council

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'O' followed by a horizontal line that tapers to the right.