

On Friday 12 September 2008, the Economic and Social Council appointed Mr. Vladimir Popov (Russian Federation) to the Committee for a term beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 31 December 2009 to replace Mr. Anatoly Vishnevsky (Russian Federation), who had resigned his seat.

Vladimir Popov is a Professor at the New Economic School and sector head at the Academy of the National Economy in Moscow as well as a visiting professor at Carleton University in Ottawa. He has taught courses on macroeconomics, international economics, comparative economic systems, the economics of transition, the Russian economy in transition and international aspects of economic transition at various universities in Canada, Finland and Germany. He has written several books on political issues and development. He holds doctorate degrees (Candidate of Science, 1980, and Doctor of Science, 1990) from the Institute of United States and Canadian Studies of the Academy of Sciences of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.