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To all Associations

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Greetings from Vienna. I will revert to you in a separate letter about the numerous activities of your FAFICS leadership. Today I have only three information items and one action item to which I wish to draw to your attention and ask your consensus.

First, the UN Day message by the Secretary General was broadcast during the ARICSA annual general meeting held on UN Day last Monday. All of us have been honoured to play some part in helping the UN system to realize its goals. If you missed the announcement, you can view it at

<https://unric.org/en/secretary-general-antonio-guterres-message-on-united-nations-day-24-october-2022/>.

Second, I am aware that several Associations have their annual meetings during this season. If your association is one of them, I wish you a productive meeting and if elections are scheduled, I wish all the best and good cooperation with all newly elected leaders.

Third, as approved by the Council, I have forwarded the list of Pension Board Delegates and representatives from FAFICS to the new Pension Board Secretary (Yanto Sumitro) and have received a positive and welcoming response. As planned, the transition is underway in preparation for 2023.

Lastly, to the major reason I am writing today. You will remember that we ended the July Council without appointing a vice-chair to the Standing Committee on After-Service Health Insurance and Long-Term Care (SC ASHIL), whose chair is Georges Kutukdjian. I pledged at that time to follow our new Rules of Procedure and return to the FAFICS Expertise Pool to find a suitable candidate for consideration by the Associations.

I am pleased to present for your approval the nomination of Giovanni Quaglia as vice-chair of SC-ASHIL. Giovanni is known to many of you from his support for improvements in the Medical Insurance Plan (MIP). I have attached the relevant portions of his Expertise Pool submission, as I did for others during the Council. My nomination of Giovanni has been approved by the Bureau. The President of AAFIB, Maria Angélica Gomes, stated in the submission that "Giovanni Quaglia was president of AAFIB for four years and now is emeritus president. He is reliable colleague with extensive experience in matters related to the Pension Fund and expertise in Health insurance."

I am hoping that you, like Georges and I, believe that it would be a mistake to wait for the next formal Council meeting to approve Giovanni's nomination. I would therefore request that you consent to the procedure of approving him as vice-chair of ASHIL via correspondence.

Your comments and approval or not should be communicated via email to me (president@aricsa.org) and Jay (secretary@fafics.org and for insurance also gvafafics@gmail.com). If no response is received by 18 November 2022, acceptance by your Association will be assumed.

Thank you for supporting FAFICS and best regards

Jerry Barton