



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

17 June 2020

Subject: Results of the elections held on 17 June 2020

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 2 June 2020 concerning the election of the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-fifth session, the election of non-permanent members of the Security Council and the election of members of the Economic and Social Council, held simultaneously on Wednesday, 17 June 2020, in accordance with General Assembly decision 74/557 of 29 May 2020 entitled “*Procedure for holding elections by secret ballot without a plenary meeting during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic*” and the arrangements set out in the annex to the decision, I am pleased to announce the results of the voting as enclosed.

President of the General Assembly at its seventy-fifth session

Having obtained the required majority of members present and voting and the greatest number of votes, His Excellency Mr. Volkan Bozkir of Turkey is elected President of the General Assembly at its seventy-fifth session. I congratulate His Excellency Mr. Volkan Bozkir on his election as the President of the General Assembly for the seventy-fifth session.

Non-permanent members of the Security Council

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority of members present and voting and the greatest number of votes, India, Ireland, Mexico and Norway are elected members of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 2021. I congratulate the States that have been elected members of the Security Council.

There still remains one seat to be filled among the African and Asia-Pacific States.

The General Assembly, in accordance with its decision 74/557, will hold the first restricted ballot on Thursday, 18 June 2020 from 9:00 a.m., in the General Assembly Hall (“the designated venue”).

Additional information on vacant seat, the candidates and the conduct of the election is enclosed in Annex A. Each voter is invited to visit the General Assembly Hall at the time slot contained in Annex B to the present letter (**PLEASE NOTE THAT TIME SLOTS ARE DIFFERENT FROM THOSE USED ON 17 JUNE 2020**).

I would like to inform that the casting of the ballots in the designated venue will be webcast. I will oversee the proceedings in the General Assembly Hall and the tellers will also be observing the whole process.

Members of the Economic and Social Council

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority of members present and voting and the greatest number of votes, the following 18 States are elected members of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2021: Argentina, Austria, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bulgaria, France, Germany, Guatemala, Indonesia, Japan, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Mexico, Nigeria, Portugal, Solomon Islands, United Kingdom and Zimbabwe. I congratulate the States that have been elected members of the Economic and Social Council.

I thank the tellers and UN Secretariat for their assistance in the three elections held today. The General Assembly will take note of the results of the elections at its first plenary meeting held after the cessation of the precautionary measures as soon as the circumstances allow.

I avail of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

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



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All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

Annex A

Election of non-permanent members of the Security Council

Second round (first restricted ballot)

Vacant seat

1. There remains one seat to be filled from among the African and Asia-Pacific States. In accordance with established practice, there is an understanding to the effect that, of the two States to be elected from among the African and Asia-Pacific States, one should be an African State and one should be an Asia-Pacific State. As India has already been elected, the remaining seat from among the African and Asia-Pacific States should be filled by one African State.

Candidates

2. In accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and decision 74/557, this second round of balloting will be restricted to the States from among the African and Asia-Pacific States which were not elected but obtained the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot, namely Djibouti and Kenya.

Required majority

3. Those candidates — not exceeding the number of seats to be filled — receiving the greatest number of votes and a two-thirds majority of those present and voting will be declared elected.

Casting of ballots

4. In accordance with rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the election will be held by secret ballot.

5. Pursuant to decision 74/557, the voter shall receive the ballot papers upon arrival at the General Assembly Hall (“the designated venue”) following the presentation of a valid United Nations grounds pass.

6. Ballot papers marked “A” will be provided.

7. The voters will be requested to use only those ballot papers that will be provided to them at the designated venue and to put an “X” in the box next to the name of the candidate for whom they wish to vote.

8. For this second round of balloting, the ballot papers will not contain a blank line since the voting is restricted to those candidates listed on the ballot papers.

9. The total number of checked boxes should not exceed the number of vacant seat to be filled as indicated on the ballot paper.

10. Pursuant to decision 74/557, the President of the General Assembly, prior to proceeding with the counting of the ballots, shall ensure that the total number of ballot papers cast in all the ballot boxes amounts to at least a majority of the members of the General Assembly. In the event that the total number of ballot papers cast in all the ballot boxes did not amount to at least a majority of the members of the Assembly, the President shall circulate a letter to all Member States indicating a new date and time for the elections.

Invalid ballots

11. Pursuant to decision 74/557, only ballots cast in the ballot boxes at the designated venue shall be accepted.

12. Ballot papers marked "A" for African and Asia-Pacific States will be declared invalid if more than one box is marked with an "X" or if it contains a vote for a candidate other than those listed on the ballot papers, namely Djibouti and Kenya.

13. If a ballot paper contains any notation other than a vote in favor of the specific candidate listed on the paper, those notations will be disregarded.

Results

14. Pursuant to decision 74/557, upon receipt of the results certified by the tellers, the President of the General Assembly shall immediately circulate a letter to all Member States in order to inform them of the results and to declare elected those Member States that have received the greatest number of votes and a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting. The results will also be announced through the webcast.

15. Also pursuant to decision 74/557, if the number of candidates obtaining a required majority of the members present and voting is fewer than the number of members to be elected, there shall be additional ballots to fill the remaining places. In such a case, the President of the General Assembly shall circulate a letter to all Member States with the date and time of the next round of secret balloting, which shall commence on a working day at most 20 hours after the circulation of the letter. In the letter, the President shall also indicate the candidates that are eligible in that round of secret balloting and any other details concerning the conduct of the secret ballot.

Tellers

17. The representatives of the following States will act as tellers: Azerbaijan, Egypt, Malaysia, Netherlands and Trinidad and Tobago.

Annex B

**(PLEASE NOTE THAT TIME SLOTS ARE DIFFERENT
FROM THOSE USED ON 17 JUNE 2020)**

Slot A: 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Slot B: 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. Slot C: 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. Slot D: 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. Slot E: 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Slot F: 11:30 to 12:00 p.m. Additional time slot: 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.		
	Member States¹	Assigned slots
1	Afghanistan	A
2	Albania	B
3	Algeria	C
4	Andorra	D
5	Angola	E
6	Antigua and Barbuda	F
7	Argentina	A
8	Armenia	B
9	Australia	C
10	Austria	D
11	Azerbaijan	E
12	Bahamas	F
13	Bahrain	A
14	Bangladesh	B
15	Barbados	C
16	Belarus	D
17	Belgium	E
18	Belize	F
19	Benin	A
20	Bhutan	B
21	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	C
22	Bosnia and Herzegovina	D
23	Botswana	E
24	Brazil	F
25	Brunei Darussalam	A
26	Bulgaria	B
27	Burkina Faso	C
28	Burundi	D
29	Cabo Verde	E

¹ Those Member States in arrears and fall under the provisions of Article 19 of the Charter will not be able to vote.

30	Cambodia	F
31	Cameroon	A
32	Canada	B
33	Central African Republic	C
34	Chad	D
35	Chile	E
36	China	F
37	Colombia	A
38	Comoros	B
39	Congo	C
40	Costa Rica	D
41	Cote D'Ivoire	E
42	Croatia	F
43	Cuba	A
44	Cyprus	B
45	Czech Republic	C
46	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	D
47	Democratic Republic of Congo	E
48	Denmark	F
49	Djibouti	A
50	Dominica	B
51	Dominican Republic	C
52	Ecuador	D
53	Egypt	E
54	El Salvador	F
55	Equatorial Guinea	A
56	Eritrea	B
57	Estonia	C
58	Eswatini	D
59	Ethiopia	E
60	Fiji	F
61	Finland	A
62	France	B
63	Gabon	C
64	Gambia	D
65	Georgia	E
66	Germany	F
67	Ghana	A
68	Greece	B
69	Grenada	C
70	Guatemala	D

71	Guinea	E
72	Guinea Bissau	F
73	Guyana	A
74	Haiti	B
75	Honduras	C
76	Hungary	D
77	Iceland	E
78	India	F
79	Indonesia	A
80	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	B
81	Iraq	C
82	Ireland	D
83	Israel	E
84	Italy	F
85	Jamaica	A
86	Japan	B
87	Jordan	C
88	Kazakhstan	D
89	Kenya	E
90	Kiribati	F
91	Kuwait	A
92	Kyrgyzstan	B
93	Lao People's Democratic Republic	C
94	Latvia	D
95	Lebanon	E
96	Lesotho	F
97	Liberia	A
98	Libya	B
99	Liechtenstein	C
100	Lithuania	D
101	Luxembourg	E
102	Madagascar	F
103	Malawi	A
104	Malaysia	B
105	Maldives	C
106	Mali	D
107	Malta	E
108	Marshall Islands	F
109	Mauritania	A
110	Mauritius	B
111	Mexico	C

112	Micronesia (Federated States of)	D
113	Monaco	E
114	Mongolia	F
115	Montenegro	A
116	Morocco	B
117	Mozambique	C
118	Myanmar	D
119	Namibia	E
120	Nauru	F
121	Nepal	A
122	Netherlands	B
123	New Zealand	C
124	Nicaragua	D
125	Niger	E
126	Nigeria	F
127	North Macedonia	A
128	Norway	B
129	Oman	C
130	Pakistan	D
131	Palau	E
132	Panama	F
133	Papua New Guinea	A
134	Paraguay	B
135	Peru	C
136	Philippines	D
137	Poland	E
138	Portugal	F
139	Qatar	A
140	Republic of Korea	B
141	Republic of Moldova	C
142	Romania	D
143	Russian Federation	E
144	Rwanda	F
145	Saint Kitts and Nevis	A
146	Saint Lucia	B
147	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	C
148	Samoa	D
149	San Marino	E
150	Sao Tome and Principe	F
151	Saudi Arabia	A
152	Senegal	B

153	Serbia	C
154	Seychelles	D
155	Sierra Leone	E
156	Singapore	F
157	Slovakia	A
158	Slovenia	B
159	Solomon Islands	C
160	Somalia	D
161	South Africa	E
162	South Sudan	F
163	Spain	A
164	Sri Lanka	B
165	Sudan	C
166	Suriname	D
167	Sweden	E
168	Switzerland	F
169	Syrian Arab Republic	A
170	Tajikistan	B
171	Thailand	C
172	Timor-Leste	D
173	Togo	E
174	Tonga	F
175	Trinidad and Tobago	A
176	Tunisia	B
177	Turkey	C
178	Turkmenistan	D
179	Tuvalu	E
180	Uganda	F
181	Ukraine	A
182	United Arab Emirates	B
183	United Kingdom	C
184	United Republic of Tanzania	D
185	United States	E
186	Uruguay	F
187	Uzbekistan	A
188	Vanuatu	B
189	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	C
190	Viet Nam	D
191	Yemen	E
192	Zambia	F
193	Zimbabwe	F