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## **EXTREMELY URGENT**

The Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union to the United Nations presents its compliments to the African Permanent Missions to the United Nations, **Sub-Regional Coordinators for Candidatures** and, has the honor to recall the UN General Assembly's decision to hold elections during the month of June for the following positions:

- Security Council
- Economic and Social Council
- Bureau of the General Assembly (Members of the General Committee)
- Chairs of the Main Committees

With respect to seats allocated to Africa in the above organs/bodies for elections to be held in June 2017, the following should be noted:

**Security Council: 2 seats**

(i) Equatorial Guinea was endorsed at the AU Summit held in June 2015 to replace Egypt when the latter's term expires December 2017 (Rotation: N/C)

(ii) Cote d'Ivoire was endorsed at the AU Summit held in July 2016 to replace Senegal when the latter's term expires December 2017 ( 1 seat Western Region)

**Economic and Social  
Council (ECOSOC) : 5 seats**

Burkina Faso, Ghana, Mauritania, Uganda, Zimbabwe will be ending their respective terms in December 2017. The distribution of the five seats to be filled as follows:

- 2 seats Western
- 1 seat Southern
- 1 seat Eastern
- 1 seat Northern

**Bureau of the 72<sup>nd</sup> Session of  
of UN General Assembly: 5 seats**    Each sub-region is allocated one seat

**Chairs of the Main  
Committees:**

**Africa will assume the Chairmanship of the  
5<sup>th</sup> Committee during the 72<sup>nd</sup> Session**

It should be further noted that the selection of candidatures to fill the above-listed vacancies should be expedited in order to enable submission to the upcoming African Union Summit to be held in January 2017 for further endorsement.

The Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the African Permanent Missions to the United Nations, **Sub-Regional Coordinators**, the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, November 29, 2016



**African Permanent Missions to the United Nations  
Sub-Regional Coordinators, Candidatures:**

- Algeria
- Djibouti
- Gabon
- Liberia
- Mozambique

**Cc: African Permanent Missions to the United Nations**