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The meeting was called to order at 10.05 a.m.

Agenda item 106: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

1. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections by secret ballot and to paragraph 16 of Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly.

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/101; A/C.5/61/4)

2. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/61/101, in which the Secretary-General referred to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited the Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 31 December 2006. In document A/C.5/61/4, the Secretary-General communicated the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007. Since the number of candidates from each regional group corresponded to the number of vacancies for that group, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

3. *It was so decided.*

4. *Mr. Abraszewski (Poland), Mr. Kelapile (Botswana), Mr. Neil (Jamaica), Mr. Tal (Jordan) and Ms. Udo (Nigeria) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/61/102/Rev.1; A/C.5/61/5)

5. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/61/102/Rev.1, in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Committee

on Contributions on 31 December 2006. In document A/C.5/61/5, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007. Since the number of candidates from each regional group corresponded to the number of vacancies for that group, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

6. *It was so decided.*

7. *Mr. Akimoto (Japan), Mr. Dumitriu (Romania), Mr. Humenny (Ukraine), Mr. Al-Mansour (Kuwait), Ms. Mapitse (Botswana) and Ms. Spratt (United States of America) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/61/103; A/C.5/61/6)

8. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/61/103, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited the General Assembly to confirm the appointment or reappointment of the three persons whom he had designated to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007. In document A/C.5/61/6, the Secretary-General submitted the names of three persons for confirmation by the General Assembly. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee decided by acclamation to recommend that the Assembly should confirm the candidates' appointment.

9. *It was so decided.*

10. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the appointment or reappointment of Mr. Cárdenas (Argentina), Mr. Ngqula (South Africa) and Mr. Chico Pardo (Mexico) to the Investments Committee for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

11. **The Chairman** indicated that, in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposed to reappoint Mr. Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) as ad hoc members of the

Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2007. He took it that the Committee decided by acclamation to recommend that the Assembly should confirm their reappointment.

12. *It was so decided.*

(d) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (A/61/104; A/C.5/61/7)

13. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/61/104, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 3, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the Statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal and invited the Assembly to appoint two persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Administrative Tribunal on 31 December 2006. In document A/C.5/61/7, the Secretary-General communicated the names of two persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

14. *It was so decided.*

15. *Mr. Hepple (United Kingdom) and Ms. Scott (United States of America) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

(e) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

(i) Appointment of members of the Commission (A/61/105 and Add.1; A/C.5/61/8)

16. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/61/105 in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 2 to 5 of the Statute of the International Civil Service Commission and invited the Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Commission on 31 December 2006. In document A/C.5/61/8, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

Since the number of candidates from the Group of Eastern European States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

17. *It was so decided.*

18. *Mr. Wyzner (Poland), in the case of the Group of Eastern European States, Mr. González (Argentina), in the case of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, and Ms. Szlczak (Canada), in the case of the Group of Western European and Other States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

19. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited members to elect by secret ballot two candidates from the Group of African States.

20. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Ibrahimova (Azerbaijan), Mr. Gharibi (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Ms. Ávila (Panama) acted as tellers.*

21. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	183
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	183
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	183
Required majority:	92
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Boateng (Ghana)	138
Mr. Rhodes (Sierra Leone)	125
Mr. Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia)	99

22. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Boateng (Ghana) and Mr. Rhodes (Sierra Leone) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

23. **The Chairman** drew attention to document A/61/105/Add.1, which indicated that Mr. Vladimir Titov (Russian Federation) had resigned from the International Civil Service Commission and that the Government of the Russian Federation had nominated

Mr. Vladimir Morozov, whose candidacy had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States, to complete the unexpired portion of Mr. Titov's term of office. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Fifth Committee wished to recommend the appointment of Mr. Morozov to the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on the date of appointment and ending on 31 December 2008.

24. *It was so decided.*

(ii) **Designation of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commission** (A/61/105; A/C.5/61/8/Add.1)

25. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/C.5/61/8/Add.1, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 2 of the Statute of the International Civil Service Commission, invited the Assembly to designate a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commission to fill the vacancies for those posts that would arise on 1 January 2007 and communicated the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for the posts concerned. Since, following the election of members of the Commission, Mr. Rhodes (Sierra Leone) was the only remaining candidate for the post of Chairman, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend his designation to that post by acclamation.

26. *It was so decided.*

27. **The Chairman**, indicating that, in a note verbale dated 2 November 2006, the Permanent Mission of Italy had informed the Secretariat of the withdrawal of the candidature of Mr. Valenza for the post of Vice-Chairman of the Commission, invited members to designate by secret ballot one candidate for that post.

28. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Ibrahimova (Azerbaijan), Mr. Gharibi (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Ms. Ávila (Panama) acted as tellers.*

29. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	187
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	187
<i>Abstentions:</i>	3
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	184
<i>Required majority:</i>	93

Number of votes obtained:

Mr. Stöckl (Germany)	95
Mr. Wyzner (Poland)	89

30. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Stöckl (Germany) was recommended for designation as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.*

The meeting rose at 11.50 a.m.