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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 13 September 2006, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-first session, under the item entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments”, the sub-item entitled:

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

“(i) Appointment of members of the Commission;

“(ii) Designation of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Commission”

and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. At its 17th meeting, on 3 November, the Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the vacancies in the membership of the International Civil Service Commission that would occur as a result of the expiration of the terms of office of five of its members on 31 December 2006 (A/61/105) and on the resignation of one of its members (A/61/105/Add.1);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General containing the names of persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment to the Commission, to fill the following vacancies: two members from the African States, one member from the Eastern European States, one member from the Latin America and Caribbean States and one member from the Western European and Other States (A/C.5/61/8);



(c) Note by the Secretary-General containing the names of persons nominated by their respective Governments for designation to the posts of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission (A/C.5/61/8/Add.1).

3. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly the appointment of Guillermo Enrique Gonzalez (Argentina), Anita Szlajak (Canada) and Eugeniusz Wyzner (Poland) as members of the Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 11).

4. The Fifth Committee then proceeded to elect, by secret ballot, two persons from among the three candidates nominated by the Group of African States. The result of the voting was as follows:

<i>Number of ballots cast:</i>	183
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	183
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	183
<i>Required majority:</i>	92
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Daasebre Oti Boateng (Ghana)	138
Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone)	125
Moshen Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia)	99

5. Having obtained the required majority, Daasebre Oti Boateng (Ghana) and Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone) were recommended for appointment as members of the Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 11).

6. Also at the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint Vladimir Morozov (Russian Federation) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on _____ 2006¹ and ending on 31 December 2008 (see para. 11).

7. At its 17th meeting, on 3 November, and based on the outcome of the election of the members to the International Civil Service Commission, Kingston Rhodes was the only declared candidate for the post of Chairman. The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it designate Kingston Rhodes (Sierra Leone) as Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 11).

8. At the same meeting, the Chairman of the Committee informed the Committee that the Secretariat had received a note verbale, dated 2 November 2006, from the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations, informing it that the Government had withdrawn the candidature of Gian Luigi Valenza for designation to the post of Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission.

¹ Date of adoption of the decision of the General Assembly.

9. The Fifth Committee then proceeded to vote, by secret ballot, on the candidates now proposed for designation as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission. The result of the secret ballot was as follows:

<i>Number of ballots cast:</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
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Wolfgang Stöckl (Germany)	95
Eugeniusz Wyzner (Poland)	89

10. Having obtained the required majority, Wolfgang Stöckl (Germany) was recommended for designation as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 and ending on 31 December 2009 (see para. 11).

Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

11. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly:

(a) Appoint the following persons as members of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007:

Mr. Daasebre Oti Boateng (Ghana)

Mr. Guillermo Enrique Gonzalez (Argentina)

Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone)

Ms. Anita Szlajak (Canada)

Mr. Eugeniusz Wyzner (Poland)

(b) Appoint Mr. Vladimir Morozov (Russian Federation) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on _____ 2006¹ and ending on 31 December 2008;

(c) Designate Mr. Kingston Papie Rhodes (Sierra Leone) as Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007;

(d) Designate Mr. Wolfgang Stöckl (Germany) as Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 and ending on 31 December 2009.