



# General Assembly

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### Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

## Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee

### Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Secretary-General refers to decision [68/412](#) of the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee (see [A/68/562](#)), at its 52nd plenary meeting, on 13 November 2013, to appoint one member to the Independent Audit Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2014 and to postpone to a later date the appointment of two members to fill the remaining two vacancies.
2. The Government of the Philippines has nominated Maria Gracia Pulido Tan to fill the vacancy in the Independent Audit Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2014.
3. In a communication dated 10 December 2013, the Secretariat was informed by the Chair of the Group of Asia-Pacific States that the candidature of Ms. Pulido Tan had been endorsed by the Group.
4. The candidate's curriculum vitae is contained in the annex to the present note.



## Annex

### **Maria Gracia M. Pulido Tan, LLM, CPA (Philippines)\***

#### **Chairperson Philippine Commission on Audit**

#### **Work experience**

##### **Current**

Chairperson (equivalent to Auditor General)  
Philippine Commission on Audit April 2011 to present

- External Auditor, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Rome, Italy (2008-2013, 2014-2020)
- External Auditor, World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva, Switzerland (2012-2015)
- Chair, ASEANSAI Training Committee
- Bright Spots Awardee, Open Government Partnership Summit, London (2013) for the Citizen Participatory Audit, a project initiated by Chair Tan to involve citizens in the government audit process

##### **Previous**

International Consultant 2005-2011

- Team Leader and International Project Management Specialist, Tax Administration Reform and Modernization Project of the Kyrgyz Republic (Asian Development Bank)
- Legal Consultant, Electronic Governance for Efficiency and Effectiveness, Canadian International Development Agency
- International Tax Specialist, China Tax Reform Project (Asian Development Bank)

Undersecretary, Revenue Operations Group  
Philippine Department of Finance 2003-2005

- Undersecretary-in-Charge, Revenue and Customs
- Chairperson, Task force on Revenue Measures
- Chairman, Revenue Rulings Review Committee

Commissioner  
Presidential Commission on Good Government 2002-2003

- Commissioner-in-Charge, Finance and Asset Management

Tax and Legal Counsel  
Various international and local clients 1982-2002

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\* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

## Education

Master of Laws (Tax), New York University Gerald Wallace Scholar	1987
Bachelor of Laws, University of the Philippines Graduated seventh in class, Order of the Purple Feather	1981
B.S. in Business Administration and Accountancy, University of the Philippines UP Government Scholar, Most Outstanding Alumna 2011	1977

## Memberships in audit and oversight institutions

- International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI)
- Governing Board for 2012-2015, Asian Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ASOSAI)
- INTOSAI Working Group on Environmental Auditing
- Founding Member, Association of Southeast Asian Nations Supreme Audit Institutions (ASEANSAI)
- Constitutional Fiscal Autonomy Group (CFAG)
- Principal — COA, Public Financial Management (PFM) Committee
- Member, Philippine Delegation, United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), Fourth Conference of State Parties
- Principal — COA, Inter-Agency Anti-Graft and Corruption Council (IAAGCC)
- Principal — COA, Multi-Sectoral Anti-Corruption Council (MSACC)

## Professional memberships

- International Bar Association (London, United Kingdom)
- American Bar Association (USA)
- Integrated Bar of the Philippines
- Tax Management Association of the Philippines
- Asia-Oceania Tax Consultants Association (Japan)
- Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- University of the Philippines' Women Lawyers' Circle

**Other work experience**

Independent Director, Asia United Bank, Philippines	2007 to 6 April 2011
• Chairman, Audit Committee	
• Vice Chairman, Risk Management Committee	
• Member, Governance Committee	
Independent Director, Rural Bank of Angeles, Philippines	2009 to 6 April 2011
Director, United Coconut Planters Bank, Philippines	2002-2003
Professor, University of the Philippines	2001-2011
Director, Various Philippine companies	1988-2002
Founding and Senior Partner, Tan & Venturanza Law Offices, Philippines	1988-2002
International Tax Specialist, KPMG Peat Marwick Main & Co., New York, USA	1987
Associate, Sycip Salazar Feliciano & Hernandez, Philippines	1982-1986

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