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

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/66/101/Rev.1 of 16 August 2011, the General Assembly will be required to appoint, at its current session, five persons for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2012 to fill the vacancies that will arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.
2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:
 - Bruno Nunes Brant (Brazil)
 - Pavel Chernikov (Russian Federation)
 - Dietrich Lingenthal (Germany)
 - Jean Christian Obame (Gabon)
 - David Traystman (United States of America)
3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow (see annex).

Annex

Curricula vitae

Bruno N. Brant (Brazil)

Bruno Brant is a First Secretary at the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations and has been the Brazilian delegate to the Fifth Committee since 2008. Prior to that, he served as an adviser to the President of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly on Fifth Committee and management reform issues. Mr. Brant joined the Brazilian Foreign Service in 2003. After completing his Master's Degree in Diplomacy in the Brazilian Diplomatic Academy, he worked for three years in the United Nations Division, with responsibilities in the areas of budget and administration of the United Nations, United Nations reform and peacekeeping operations. Before joining the public sector, he also obtained work experience from the private sector, having occupied positions in the banking and international trade industries. He was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship and completed his Master's Degree in International Political Economy and Development at Fordham University in 2001, and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, from the Federal University of Minas Gerais, in Brazil.

Relevant work experience

2008-present	Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations, First Secretary; Fifth Committee delegate.
2007-2008	Office of the President of the sixty-second General Assembly, Adviser; management reform, mandate review, and Fifth Committee.
2005-2007	United Nations Division of the Ministry of External Relations, Third and Second Secretary; Fifth Committee, United Nations reform, and peacekeeping operations.
2003	Joined the Ministry of External Relations of Brazil.
2001-2002	Globeop Financial Services, Assistant; hedge fund administration and risk reporting.
2000-2001	Brazilian-American Chamber of Commerce, Assistant; trade and economic data research.
1998-1999	BDO Directa Consultants, Assistant; banking reform and privatization.

Education

2003-2005	M.A. in Diplomacy from Instituto Rio Branco, Brasília, Brazil.
1999-2001	M.A. in International Political Economy and Development from Fordham University, New York, USA.
1995-1999	B.A. in Economics from Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

Pavel Chernikov (Russian Federation)

Professional interests — governance, management and oversight of international organizations.

27 years **work experience** in dealing with international organizations, including 15 years on administrative and budgetary matters, with the rest on economic, social, humanitarian and human rights issues.

Postings with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation:

2004-present	Chief of Division/Principal Counsellor, Department on Humanitarian Cooperation and Human Rights
1999-2004	Counsellor/Senior Counsellor, Chief of Administrative and Budgetary Section, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
1995-1999	First Secretary/Counsellor, Administrative and Budgetary Division, Department of International Organizations
1989-1994	Attache/Third Secretary, Administrative and Budgetary Section, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
1983-1989	Junior officer/Officer, European Economic Cooperation and Economic Commission for Europe Section, Department of International Economic Organizations

Some of duties performed

- Participated in meetings of governing bodies, their administrative and budgetary subcommittees and/or other subsidiary bodies of the following international organizations:
 - United Nations (General Assembly Fifth and Third Committees, Economic and Social Council, United Nations Compensation Commission, Economic Commission for Europe, Human Rights Committee/Commission on Human Rights, Commission on the Status of Women, and Commission for Social Development)
 - Specialized agencies (WHO, ILO, WIPO, WMO, ITU and UNIDO)
 - Voluntary funded programmes (UNHCR and UNDP)
 - Non-United Nations system institutes (Council of Europe, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the Wassenaar Arrangement)
- In several organizations represented Russia in ad hoc specialized groups (on drafting or revision of the Financial and Staff Regulations, on staff remuneration and other personnel and budgetary issues, etc.). Chaired one of such groups.
- Represented Russia in coordination mechanisms of like-minded delegations and missions, chaired several informal groups.

- Followed the work of such United Nations system jointly financed bodies as ICSC, JIU and ACC/CEB.
- Acted as a liaison officer in contacts with the Ministry of Finance with respect to Russian contributions to international organizations.

Functions at present

- Examination of administrative and budgetary issues of OHCHR and UNHCR
- Elaboration of proposals on the use of Russian voluntary contributions to OHCHR and UNHCR and on reporting procedures, participation in donor consultations
- Focal point for the Conceptual Framework for the OHCHR cooperation with the Russian Federation for the period of 2007 and beyond
- Desk officer for the universal periodic review
- Participation as an expert and resource person in the OHCHR workshops on the universal periodic review (Bishkek, 2009; Astana, 2009; Dushanbe, 2010; Moscow, 2010)

Elected positions

Twice elected in an individual capacity as a Russian member of the Budget Committee of the Council of Europe (for the period 2001-2004).

Major professional publications

“Evaluating the United Nations: How to Measure the Efficiency and Effectiveness of an International Organization” (a book published in Russian by R. Valent publishing house, Moscow, 2005).

Other information

Education: Economist, Specialist on International Economic Relations, Moscow State Institute of International Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (1983).

Dietrich Lingenthal (Germany)

Current position

Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations in New York, Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary)

Professional experience

- 2007-2010 Head of Division for international financial market policy, Financial Stability Forum, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
- 2006-2007 Head of Division for multilateral development banks, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
- 2006 Desk Officer, Division for international organizations — United Nations, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
- 2001-2002 Desk Officer, Division for multilateral development banks, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
- 1997-2001 Desk Officer, Division for EU enlargement/Central and Eastern Europe, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
- 1991-1993 Desk Officer, European Social Fund, Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Bonn
- 1989-1990 Customer Consultant, Publicis-FCB Advertising Company, Frankfurt

International experience

- 2006-2009 Member, Administrative Council of the Council of Europe Development Bank
- 2009 Election observer, EU Election Observation Mission to Bolivia
- 2003-2006 Member (observer status) of GAFISUD (Grupo de Acción Financiera de Sudamérica)
- 2002-2006 Financial attaché, German Embassy in Montevideo
- 2005 Election observer, EU Election Observation Mission to Venezuela
- 1994-1997 Technical Adviser, International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour, International Labour Organization, Geneva/San José
- 1995 Election observer, United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa
- 1993 Election observer, United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia
- 1991-1993 National Coordinator for the EU community initiatives HORIZON and NOW aimed at reintegrating disabled and long-term unemployed women into the labour market

Education

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| 1988-1989 | MSc (Economics), International Relations/Politics of the World Economy, London School of Economics and Social Sciences |
| 1983-1987 | Received degree in economics, University of Hamburg |
| 1981-1983 | Studied economics, University of Heidelberg |

Jean Christian Obame (Gabon)

I. Professional experience

- Since January 2010 Political Adviser, Head of Europe section (Kosovo, Cyprus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, and OSCE) to the Security Council of the United Nations. Chancellor at the Permanent Mission of the Gabonese Republic to the United Nations and Adviser on Financial and Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee) of the General Assembly, New York.
- Since August 2004 Chancellor at the Permanent Mission of the Gabonese Republic to the United Nations and Adviser on Financial and Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee) of the General Assembly and monitoring the work of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.
- 2001-2003 Member of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), New York.
- Since May 2000 Adviser on Financial and Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee) of the General Assembly and monitoring the work of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.
- 2000-2005 Member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination of the United Nations body responsible for programme planning, monitoring implementation and evaluation methods.
- 1995-2000 Macroeconomic Studies Manager. Direction Générale de l'Economie, Ministry of Finances. Libreville Responsible for ECO-RATIOS AND NOTES DE LA DEM publications; for the control and management of the forecasting model of the Gabonese economy (MEGA) and the macroeconomic framework.

Tasks

Contribution to the monitoring programme with the International Monetary Fund (IMF): Follow-up work of Article IV of IMF; Tracking economic reform programmes with IMF (macroeconomic framework, estimation and forecasting of GDP (supply and demand aspect), growth rate, GDP deflator, etc.).

Contribution to the development of the Finance Act: Summary of the international economic environment; Note on the national economic situation of the year; Assumptions macroeconomic projections and prospects of the national economy for the year.

Contribution to the organization and monitoring of day for economic, trade forum between the Government and economic operators: Presentation of the macroeconomic framework and growth prospects.

Other experience

February 2002	Field visit to Senegal of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
April 2001	Field visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS
April 2000	National Consultant for the Foundation for Capacity Building in Africa: Evaluation Project in Gabon
December 1999	National Consultant for the Foundation for Capacity Building in Africa: Development of the proposed capacity-building in the field of economic and financial management in Gabon
April 1999	National Consultant for the United Nations Development Programme: National Report on Human Development
November 1993	National Consultant for the United Nations Development Programme. Report on Human Development Sector Indexes in Gabon
1992-1998	Lecturer and/or Responsible for tutorials in Mathematics, Statistics, Econometrics and Data Analysis. Institutions involved: Faculty of Law and Economics and Management Institute at the University Omar Bongo, African Institute of Computer Science, Institute of Economy and Finance, Libreville
May 1992- July 1995	Head of Operations Division General Census of Population and Housing, Central Bureau of Census, Libreville
July 1991- January 1992	Responsible for economic forecasting Direction Générale de l'Economie, Ministry of Finance, Libreville
January 1986- August 1988	Responsible for the quarterly table of monetary analysis Direction Générale de l'Economie, Ministry of Finance, Libreville

II. Education and training

September 1992	Diploma of Advanced Studies in Applied Mathematics University of Paris IX-Dauphine (France). Subject: Robust Linear Regression
June 1991	Diploma of Statistician Economist Engineer National School of Statistics and Economic Administration (ENSAE). Paris-France Topic: Modelling the economy of a developing country, such as Cameroon.

June 1985	Diploma of Applied Statistics Engineer National Institute of Applied Statistics, Rabat (Morocco)
June 1979	High School Diploma, serial C, with honors Lycee National Leon Mba, Libreville

III. Courses, seminars, workshops and conferences

January 2001- March 2002	High-level Conference on Financing for Development, United Nations, New York.
August- November 1998	Training course on financial programming and policies, International Monetary Fund Institute, Washington, D.C. (United States of America).
May 1997	High-level Seminar on Issues and Strategies for Development in Africa, Libreville.
October 1996	Conference on regional integration and trade liberalization in sub-Saharan Africa, Addis Ababa.
October- November 1996	Seminar on forecasting and medium-term framework of the economy. International Institute of Public Administration, Paris.
January- February 1996	Modelling work in computable general equilibrium. Centre for Studies and Research on International Development (CERD — France), case of the Gabon economy.
September 1994	Training seminar of the World Bank: The fight against poverty, Libreville.
July-September 1990	Course statistician economist at Eurostat (Luxembourg), calculation of price indices of foreign trade, the case of Togo.
July-August 1984	Development of the methodology of calculation of the index of consumer prices and its application, Directorate General of Statistics and Economic Studies, Ministry of Planning, Libreville.

David A. Traystman (United States of America)

Current professional experience

United States Department of State, United States Mission to the United Nations

Senior Adviser responsible for budgetary, financial, administrative, personnel/ common system and reform issues for the United Nations and New York-based United Nations programmes and funds (2006-present)

Delegate to the Fifth Committee (2006-present), serving as lead negotiator on the financing and management of peacekeeping operations and special political missions

Delegate to the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (2006-present)

Delegate to the Contingent-owned Equipment Working Group (2008 and 2011)

Delegate to the Committee for Programme and Coordination (2000-2005 and 2007)

Delegate to the Committee on Conferences (2006-2008)

Previous professional experience

United States Department of State, United States Mission to the United Nations

Press Officer (1998-2006)

Delegate to the United Nations Committee on Information (2000-2005)

Delegate to the World Summit on Information Society (2003)

Senior Researcher (1973-1998) responsible for carrying out a wide range of projects on United Nations-related issues in the economic, political, financial and legal fields

Education

Master of Arts degree in Political Science from Long Island University, New York

Master of Library Science degree from St. John's University, New York

Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Long Island University, New York
