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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document [A/74/102/Rev.1](#), the General Assembly is required, at its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2020.
2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:
 - Cheikh Tidiane Dème (Senegal)
 - Gordon Eckersley (Australia)
 - Bernardo Greiver del Hoyo (Uruguay)
 - Ugo Sessi (Italy)
 - Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)
3. The candidates' curricula vitae are set out in the annex to the present note.



Annex

Curricula vitae*

Cheikh Tidiane Dème (Senegal)

[Original: French]

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Family name: Dème
 First names: Cheikh Tidiane
 Date and place of birth: 11 January 1968, Nioro du Rip

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

YEAR	DETAILS
December 2018– September 2019	Member of the National Committee on Eligibility for Refugee Status (CNESR)
November 2018– September 2019	Director a.i., Directorate for International Organizations and Globalization (DOIM)
January 2017– December 2018	Member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC)
Since 1 January 2017	Elected by the United Nations General Assembly to a three-year term on the Committee on Contributions
2015–2018	Member of the United Nations General Assembly Fifth Committee (administrative and budgetary committee) group of experts charged with examining peacekeeping operations, special political missions and United Nations offices
2014, 2016, 2017 and 2018	Seminars in Dakar on United Nations procurement activities and contracts procedures for Senegalese business owners
2015	Vice-Chair, Committee on Conferences
January 2013– December 2015	Member, Committee on Conferences
2014–2018	Representative of Senegal, United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities (United Nations and funds, programmes and agencies)
January 2013– July 2018	Delegate on the Fifth Committee (administrative and budgetary committee); in this capacity, considered issues relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the budget the Committee on Contributions the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

	the Committee on Conferences
	the Committee for Programme and Coordination
	human resources management (Staff Rules and Staff Regulations of the United Nations, International Civil Service Commission, United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, allowances)
	the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations
	oversight bodies (Board of Auditors, Joint Inspection Unit, Office of Internal Oversight Services, Independent Audit Advisory Committee)
	the administration of justice at the United Nations (Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, Office of Administration of Justice)
	the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management
	management and Secretariat reform
	activities of the Group of 77 and China, the Group of African States, the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the International Organization of la Francophonie
January 2013	First Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Senegal to the United Nations, New York
June 2011	Member of the organizing committee for the First World Conference of Ulema, Dakar, 6–8 June 2011
April 2011– January 2013	Member of the National Committee on the Situation of Refugees, Returnees and Displaced Persons (CNRRPD)
March 2011– January 2013	Chief of North and East Africa Bureau, acting chief of both Central Africa Bureau and West Africa Bureau in the Africa-Asia Directorate
March 2011– December 2012	Member of Select Committee for the Repatriation of Senegalese Nationals from Libya and Côte d’Ivoire
November 2010	Member of Senegalese delegation to the third African-European Union Summit, Tripoli, Libya, 29 and 30 November 2010
July 2010	Member of Select Committee on the Reading and Correction of <i>Guide du diplomate sénégalais</i> (Guide for the Senegalese Diplomat), issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
June 2010	Member of organizing committee for the First Conference of African Ulema, Dakar, 7–9 June 2010
April 2010	Member of International Preparatory Committee for the Conference of African Ulema
Since October 2009	Foreign Affairs Counsellor in the Africa-Asia Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2003–2007	History and Geography teacher, Ahmadou Ndack Seck Secondary School, Thiès

1995–2003 History and Geography teacher, Diofior Middle School, Fatick area

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

YEAR	DETAILS
August 2013	Tools for new diplomats – United Nations skills training, Center for Global Affairs, New York University (School of Professional Studies (SCPS))
2012	Fourth Orientation Course for senior officials and defence attachés (West and Central Africa), organized jointly by the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Senegal and the Centre d'Etudes de Défense et de Stratégie (Dakar centre for defence and strategy studies) held in Dakar, Senegal, from 7 to 15 May 2012.
2011	Seminar on combating cybercrime in the context of terrorism and religious extremism, organized jointly by the German Federal Criminal Police Office (Bundeskriminalamt, BKA) and the African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism (ACSRT) of the African Union, held in Dakar from 21 to 25 November 2011.
2007–2009	Diploma from the National School of Administration, Diplomacy Section, defence of thesis: <i>“La piraterie maritime somalienne: quelles réponses de la communauté internationale”</i> , (“Somalian maritime piracy: the response of the international community”) under the direction of His Excellency Mr. Alioune Diagne, Ambassador
August–September 2008	Practical training at the Fatick Prefecture and World Vision/Fatick, internship report entitled “Le Learning through Evaluation, Accountability and Planning (LEAP), une approche originale de Vision Mondiale concernant la conception, le suivi et l'évaluation de ses projets et programmes” (Learning through Evaluation, Accountability and Planning (LEAP): World Vision's original approach to the design, monitoring and evaluation of its projects and programmes)
1994–1995	Middle School Teaching Certificate (CAEM) Dakar Teacher Training College
1993	Master's degree in History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences, Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
1992	Advanced Certificate in Prehistory Advanced Certificate in Ancient History
1991	Bachelor of Arts in History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences, Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
1987	Secondary School Leaving Certificate, Cheikhou Oumar Foutiou Tall Secondary School, Saint-Louis

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Since November 2009	Member of Association of Foreign Affairs Counsellors of Senegal (UCAES)
2003–2009	Former member of the Group for the Pursuit and Promotion of Good Governance in Africa
2005–2007	Coordinator and Chair of the History and Geography Unit, Ahmadou Ndack Seck Secondary School, Thiès
2004–2007	Secretary-General, Thiès regional section of the Association of History and Geography Teachers
1997–2007	In charge of technical cutover in the Group on Population Studies and Education, Dakar Teacher Training College
Since 1988	Member of the National Association of Blood Donors (ANDOBES)

LANGUAGES

French	reads, writes and speaks
English	reads and writes
Spanish	reads, writes and speaks

Gordon Eckersley (Australia)

Present position

Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions. Vice-Chairman of the Committee since 2010.

Mr. Eckersley is a retired career foreign service officer with broad experience across the United Nations system and in international trade negotiations.

Previous professional experience in the foreign service

- 2011–2014 International Policy Advisor at the Australian Civil-Military Centre, an Australian Government agency which develops civil-military capabilities to prevent, prepare for and respond to international conflicts and natural disasters
- 2012 UNITAR-IPI Fellowship Program in Peacemaking and Preventative Diplomacy
- 2009 Australian delegation member, Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), Port of Spain
Adviser, Australian delegation to UNESCO, Paris,
Vice-Chair, Administration Commission, UNESCO General Conference
- 2007 Foreign service course member, Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australian National Defence College), Canberra
- 2005–2006 Executive Officer/Acting Director, United Nations and Commonwealth Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
- 2001–2004 Australian Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), The Hague
- 2000 Deputy Director, Agricultural Trade Policy Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
- 1997–1999 Deputy Head, Automotive Trade Task Force, Canberra
- 1995–1996 Executive Officer, Industrials Trade Policy Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
- 1993–1994 Consul, Australian Consulate General, Noumea
- 1989–1992 Third/Second Secretary, Australian Permanent Mission to the United Nations, Geneva
Member of the Australian delegation to UNGA 44, 45, 46

Other professional experience

- 1981–1987 Army Officer, Australian Regular Army

Education

Master of Arts (Strategic Studies), Deakin University, Geelong

Bachelor of Arts (honours in Economics), University of New South Wales, Sydney

Graduate Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australian National Defence College), Canberra

Graduate Australian Royal Military College, Canberra

Bernardo Greiver del Hoyo (Uruguay)

[Original: English and Spanish]

Date and place of birth: November 5th. 1962,
Montevideo, Uruguay

Education:

Degree in Foreign Relations (University of the Republic, Montevideo, Uruguay)

Graduated from the Artigas Foreign Institute (Diplomatic School of Uruguay)

Professional career

- 2015–present** Director General
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 2009–2015** Ambassador to Israel
- 2008–2009** Director General for Cultural Affairs and International Cooperation,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 2008–2009** Chairman of the Association of Foreign Service Staff of the Ministry
of Foreign Affairs
- 2008** Director (Interim) of the Artigas Foreign Service Institute
(Diplomatic School of Uruguay)
- 2007–2009/
2015–present** President of the Foreign Service Mutual Insurance Fund
- 2007–2008** Director of Human Resources, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 2006–present** Chairman of the United Nations Committee on Contributions
- 2006** Promoted to Minister Counsellor following competitive examination
- 2004–2005** Vice-chairman of the United Nations Committee on Contributions
- 2002–2006** Embassy of Uruguay to Mexico, Minister Counsellor
- 2000–2003** Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions,
representing Latin America and the Caribbean
- 2000–2001** Head of secretariat, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs
- 2001** Promoted to Counsellor following competitive examination
- 1999** Diplomatic staff member of the secretariat to the President of the
Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations
- 1997** Promoted to First Secretary following competitive examination
- 1994–1999** Diplomatic secretary of the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the
United Nations (Second and Fifth Committees)
- 1993** Head of the Secretariat, Department of Technical and Administrative
Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1992** Diplomatic secretary, General Office for Cultural Affairs

- 1991** Diplomatic secretary to the Department of Political Affairs, Division of Eastern Europe and the Former Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics
- 1990** Office of Consular Affairs
- 1989** Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs following recruitment via competitive examination for career diplomats

Bernardo Greiver has participated in many international meetings, the most noteworthy of which include:

Organization of American States (OAS) Conference on Hemispheric Security; Fifth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization; Third European Union – Latin America and the Caribbean Presidential Summit; Special Commemorative Meeting of the General Assembly on the Occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations; Pan American Child Congress (OAS); United Nations Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies; Second Inter American Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Highest Appropriate Authorities; Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR) and the ANDEAN COMMUNITY; First Inter American Meeting on Cooperation Mechanisms Against Organized Crime, convened by the Inter American Drug Abuse Control Commission; Ibero-American Forum of Ministers of the Environment; OAS Meeting of Ministers of Education; Meeting of Ministers of Education at the European-Latin America and the Caribbean Summit; Fifth Global Forum on Reinventing Government; General Assembly of the Organization of Ibero-American States; Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) Inter American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Health and Agriculture; Meeting to Commemorate the Twentieth Anniversary of the Cartagena Declaration on Refugees; Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean; and Meetings of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development and Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Ugo Sessi (Italy)**DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH** 7/8/1947 – Cave (Roma) Italy**EDUCATION** Degree in economy and finance
University of Rome (La Sapienza) – Master in budget and finance**WORK EXPERIENCE**

9/2012–present Chartered Public Accountant and Auditor (CPA), consultant and expert in budget and finance for public and private entities

2010–8/2012 Italian Space Agency (ASI) – Director General for Budget and Administration and CFO

2007–2010 Ministry for culture – Director General
Finance and Budget Counsellor in the Cabinet of the Minister1997–2007 Ministry of economy and finance – Head of Service
(Scientific research – International Organizations)1987–1997 Ministry of economy and finance – Head of Division
(Industry and Scientific research)1979–1987 Ministry of economy and finance – Head of section
(International Organizations)1977–1979 Ministry of economy and finance – Junior Counsellor
(International Organizations)

1970–1977 Principal Secretary – Ministry for tourism

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE2018–present Member of the Audit Commission of the European Space Agency
(ESA)2014–2018 External Auditor at the European University Institute (EUI) –
Florence2006–present Member of the Board of Auditors at RiMED
(Scientific Foundation for medical research, a joint venture
established by the Italian Government, the National Council for
Research, the Regional Government of Sicily and the University of
Pittsburgh – USA)2005–2013 Chairman of the Board of Auditors at E-Geos (a space and
telecommunications company)

1987–1989 Board of Auditors (Alternate) at the Western European Union

1987–2007 Auditor at Hospitals in the Italian National Health Service

1977–1987 Auditor at Public schools

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1990–2005 and 2014–present Member of the Committee on contributions of the United Nations (New York), elected Chairman from 2000 to 2005 and Vice Chairman from 1994 to 1999
- 2008–2013 Member of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court (The Hague)
- 1979–1990 and 2007–2012 Delegate to the Fifth Committee of the United Nations General Assembly
- 1978–2006 General Conferences and Governing Councils of international organizations: European Space Agency (ESA) (1987–2006) – United Nations Conference on LLDCs (1989) – (Luxembourg Conference on European patent (1985) – United Nations Conference on the 3rd decade for development (1984) – UNEP Convention on the protection of the Mediterranean from pollution (1979, 1981, 1985) – UNCTAD V and VI (1979, 1983) – United Nations Conference on science and technology for development (1979) – FAO and IFAD (1983–1987) – UNESCO (1978–1980) – WIPO (1978–1983)
- 1978–2006 Budget and Finance Committee of international organizations: European Space Agency ESA (1987–1990) – European Organization for the astronomical research in the southern hemisphere ESO (1987–2006 and in 1997–2001 Chairman of the Finance Committee) – European Centre for medium range weather forecasts ECMWF ((1987–1990) – UNCTAD (1983–1996) – UNDP (1981–1987) – European patent office EPO (1981–1987) – GATT (1978–1988)

LANGUAGE

English and French (read, spoken and written), Spanish (intermediate), Italian (mother tongue)

Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)

[Original: English and Spanish]

Minister Alejandro Torres Lépori has been a member of the Foreign Service of the Argentine Republic since 1999.

Until 2004, Mr. Torres Lépori served in the Department of International Organizations and in the Office of Latin American Economic Integration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship in Buenos Aires. He has also represented Argentina at meetings of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Organization of American States (OAS). From 2000 to 2003, he represented Argentina on the Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC) of the United Nations, serving as rapporteur at its forty-second session, in 2002.

In 2004 he was posted to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and served as the representative of Argentina on the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly from the fifty-ninth to the sixty-third session. The Fifth Committee has responsibility for United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. At the sixty-second session he was elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Mr. Torres Lépori has extensive technical expertise in United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. At the sixty-second session of the Fifth Committee he coordinated negotiations on the programme budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2008–2009. He has also coordinated a large number of resolutions on other items, including administration of justice, pattern of conferences, and revised estimates for special political missions. He has also represented the Group of 77 and China in negotiations on other Fifth Committee items, in particular items relating to human resources management.

In addition, he has represented Argentina on the Committee on Conferences, and was elected its Vice-Chairman in 2008. During Argentina's tenure in the Security Council in 2005–2006, he was responsible for various issues before it, in particular the question of Haiti.

He also took part in the expert meetings on the scale of assessments of the OAS held in Washington, in 2007.

Mr. Torres Lépori was appointed member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) by the General Assembly for the period 2009–2011, having served as its Vice-Chairman in 2011. The ACABQ is a subsidiary organ of the General Assembly, whose functions are, inter alia, to advise it on any administrative and budgetary matters referred to it.

From 2012 to 2014, he was Chief of Programme Planning and Evaluation at ECLAC, in Santiago (Chile), being responsible for the coordination of the strategic planning of the biennial programme of work of the Commission, as well as of its monitoring and evaluation.

After his post at ECLAC, he returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Buenos Aires to coordinate United Nations, as well as North Africa and Middle East issues, at the Office of Foreign Policy.

At the end of 2016, he was appointed Deputy Chief of Mission at the Argentine Embassy in Mexico, a position he holds to date. As such, he is responsible for the general management of the Embassy, including its human resources, and oversees and coordinates the work plan and activities of the political, cultural and commercial sections.

In November of that year he was also elected by the General Assembly of the United Nations as a member of the Committee on Contributions for the period 2017–19.

Before joining the Foreign Service, Mr. Torres Lépori worked as a journalist and academic. He has written several articles on relations between MERCOSUR and the European Union, on the International Criminal Court, and on the Argentine Constitution.

Mr. Torres Lépori speaks Spanish, English and French, and has some knowledge of Portuguese and Italian. He holds undergraduate degrees in political science and law from the University of Buenos Aires and a postgraduate degree in international relations from the Institute for Political Studies in Paris (Sciences-Po).
