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### 71/4. Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* Chapter XV of the Charter of the United Nations, and reaffirming the role of the General Assembly under Article 97,

*Welcoming* the process of selection and appointment of the Secretary-General and its timely conclusion, guided by the principles of transparency and inclusivity as set out in its resolutions [69/321](#) of 11 September 2015 and [70/305](#) of 13 September 2016, including the organization of informal dialogues with all candidates for the position of Secretary-General,

*Having considered* the recommendation contained in Security Council resolution [2311 \(2016\)](#) of 6 October 2016,

*Appoints* Mr. António Guterres Secretary-General of the United Nations for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2017 and ending on 31 December 2021.

*27th plenary meeting  
13 October 2016*

