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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the President of the General Assembly

1. As indicated in paragraph 6 of the note by the Secretary-General of 2 May 2019 (A/74/84), the General Assembly is required, during its current session, to appoint four members of the Joint Inspection Unit to fill the vacancies that will arise from the expiration on 31 December 2020 of the term of office of Aicha Afifi (Morocco), Petru Dumitriu (Romania), Jeremiah Kramer (Canada) and Gönke Roscher (Germany).
2. In accordance with the procedures described in article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit and with General Assembly resolution 61/238, the President of the General Assembly, at the 36th plenary meeting, held on 27 November 2019, having held the necessary consultations, and on the basis of the candidates submitted by the African States, the Eastern European States and the Western European and other States, requested Eritrea, Germany, the Republic of Moldova and Spain to propose candidates (see annexes I to IV) to serve for a period of five years beginning on 1 January 2021.
3. The candidates, in accordance with paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 59/267, should have experience in at least one of the following fields: oversight, audit, inspection, investigation, evaluation, finance, project evaluation, programme evaluation, human resources management, management, public administration, monitoring and/or programme performance, as well as knowledge of the United Nations system and its role in international relations.
4. The President of the General Assembly has held the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, including consultations with the President of the Economic and Social Council and with the Secretary-General in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination. The replies received from the President of the Council and from the Secretary-General to the identical letters addressed to them on 5 December 2019 by the President of the Assembly are annexed to the present note (see annexes V and VI).



5. Having completed the required consultations, the President of the General Assembly has the honour to submit to the Assembly the following candidates for appointment as members of the Joint Inspection Unit for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2021 and expiring on 31 December 2025:

Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea)
Gönke Roscher (Germany)
Victor Moraru (Republic of Moldova)
Jesús Miranda Hita (Spain)

Annex II**Note verbale dated 15 November 2019 from the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Secretariat**

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations has the honour to communicate that the Government of Germany has decided to nominate Gönke Roscher for re-appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit for the term 2021–2025 and to forward the curriculum vitae of Ms. Roscher (see enclosure).

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations further has the honour to recall that this candidature has been endorsed by the Group of Western European and other States.

Enclosure

Gönke Erdmute Roscher (Germany)*

Current position

Since 1 January 2016 Inspector, Joint Inspection Unit of the United Nations system

Previous positions and activities

- 2013–2015 Head, Economic Division, German Mission to the United Nations, Geneva
Responsible for Geneva based United Nations specialized agencies with focus of work on cross-cutting issues, in particular management reform, oversight, budgetary and human resources issues
- 2010–2013 Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), The Hague
Responsible inter alia for oversight, budgetary and human resource issues
- 2006–2010 Head, Cultural Department, German Embassy, The Hague
Focus of work on institutional reform und financial reorganization of the Goethe Institutes in the Netherlands
- 2003–2006 Deputy Head of Division, United Nations Department, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
Focus of work inter alia coordination of German position to GA 5th Committee, scale of assessments, CPC, United Nations reform, mandate review, internal and external oversight issues and management of Germany's financial contributions to the United Nations regular budget, PKOs and International Tribunals
- 2000–2003 Deputy Head, Political Department, German Mission to the United Nations, Geneva
Responsible for humanitarian affairs including programme and budget, management, administration, human resources and oversight at UNHCR, ICRC, IFRC, IOM, OCHA
- 1997–2000 Head, Cultural Department, German Embassy, Bucharest
Responsible inter alia for creating sustainable networks and financing for cultural cooperation
- 1994–1997 Desk Officer, United Nations Department, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin
Responsible for agricultural development and food security, budgetary and human resources issues at FAO, WFP, IFAD
- 1991–1994 Deputy Consul General, German Consulate General, Seattle
- 1988–1991 First Secretary, Political Department, German Embassy, London
- 1985–1988 Federal Foreign Office, Bonn

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

International assignments and conferences

- 2013–2015 Member, OPCW Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters (ABAF)
- 2009–2014 Member, United Nations Committee on Contributions (COC)
- 2013 Deputy Head of Delegation at the 3rd Special Session to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention
- 2010–2011 Facilitator, negotiations on the OPCW Tenure Policy
- 2003 Conference on the Humanitarian Crisis in Iraq, Geneva
- 2001 Ministerial Conference on the 1951 Geneva Convention, Geneva
- 2001 State Parties Conference on the 4th Geneva Convention, Geneva
- 2000–2001 Chair, Humanitarian Liaison Working Group (HLWG), Geneva
- 2000 International Red Cross Conference, Geneva
- 1996 World Food Summit, Rome

Educational background

- 1984 Université de Nice (Postgraduate Degree in International Studies)
- 1983 University of Kiel (Graduation in Humanities)

Languages

German (native), English, French

Annex V

Letter dated 30 December 2019 from the President of the Economic and Social Council addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 5 December 2019 regarding the proposed appointments to the vacancies in the Joint Inspection Unit that will occur on 31 December 2020.

In accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, I have the pleasure to inform you that, in my capacity as President of the Economic and Social Council, I concur with the appointments of Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea), Gönke Roscher (Germany), Victor Moraru (Republic of Moldova) and Jesús Miranda Hita (Spain).

(Signed) Mona Juul
President of the Economic and Social Council

Annex VI**Letter dated 19 December 2019 from the Secretary-General in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination addressed to the President of the General Assembly**

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 5 December 2019 regarding the proposed appointments to the vacancies in the Joint Inspection Unit that will occur on 31 December 2020.

In accordance with article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, and following consultations with members of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, I have the pleasure to inform you that, in my capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, I concur with the appointments of Tesfa Alem Seyoum (Eritrea), Gönke Roscher (Germany), Victor Moraru (Republic of Moldova) and Jesús Miranda Hita (Spain).

(Signed) António **Guterres**
