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## INFORMATION NOTE TO PARTIES

### **Submission of nominations to the Transitional Committee on the operationalization of the new funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage and the associated fund, and outstanding nominations for election or appointment to bodies under the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement**

Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement are invited to submit nominations for members to serve on the Transitional Committee on the operationalization of the new funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage and the associated fund, which was established at the Sharm el-Sheikh Climate Change Conference.

The Transitional Committee is mandated to make recommendations on operationalizing the funding arrangements, and the fund for responding to loss and damage whose mandate includes a focus on addressing loss and damage, for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-eighth session (November–December 2023) and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) at its fifth session (November–December 2023) (see paragraph 4 of the advanced unedited version of the COP 27 and CMA 4 joint decision available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/624440>). It is essential that the Transitional Committee begins its work immediately.

The Committee will comprise 24 members:

- 10 members from developed country Parties;
- 14 members from developing country Parties, with geographical representation as follows:
  - a. Three members from Africa, including a representative of the President of COP 27;
  - b. Three members from Asia and the Pacific, including a representative of the incoming President of COP 28;
  - c. Three members from Latin America and the Caribbean;
  - d. Two members from small island developing States;
  - e. Two members from the least developed countries;
  - f. One member from a developing country Party not included in the categories listed above.

**Distribution:** To Parties through their National Focal Points for climate change, Permanent Representatives to the United Nations in New York and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany.



Chairs and coordinators of regional groups and constituencies represented on the Committee are invited to submit the nominations for members to the secretariat no later than 15 December 2022 (see paragraph 4 of the annex to the advanced unedited version of the joint decision mentioned above). Timely submission of the nominations will enable the secretariat to convene the first meeting of the Transitional Committee as soon as possible and no later than 31 March 2023.

Furthermore, Parties are reminded that 56 nominations are outstanding for election or appointment to the following bodies:

- Bureau of the COP, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) and the CMA;
- Bureau of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice;
- Bureau of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation;
- Adaptation Committee;
- Adaptation Fund Board;
- Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network;
- Compliance Committee under the Kyoto Protocol;
- Consultative Group of Experts;
- Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism;
- Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts;
- Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform;
- Paris Agreement Implementation and Compliance Committee;
- Paris Committee on Capacity-building;
- Technology Executive Committee.

Information on the outcome of the elections in Sharm el-Sheikh, as well as the outstanding nominations and the term of office to be confirmed for each regional group and constituency, is available on the UNFCCC elections webpage (<https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/election-and-membership>).

Parties may recall decisions 23/CP.18, 3/CP.23 and 3/CP.25 on gender balance and a gender action plan and are urged to nominate female candidates to the Transitional Committee and UNFCCC bodies to achieve the goal of gender-balanced representation.

Further to decisions of the COP, the CMP and the CMA, the chairs and coordinators of regional groups and constituencies are invited to submit the outstanding nominations to the secretariat as early as possible and before the deadline of Tuesday, 28 February 2023. Once the secretariat receives the nominations, the candidates will be deemed to have been elected or appointed, as appropriate, at COP 27.



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The secretariat encourages the submission of the names and contact information of the members of the Transitional Committee, as well as the members and alternate members of the Bureau of the COP, the CMP and the CMA, the Bureaux of the subsidiary bodies and the constituted bodies, as soon as possible to facilitate their participation at the meetings of the bodies in early 2023.

For any questions or for further information on elections, please contact the secretariat at [elections@unfccc.int](mailto:elections@unfccc.int).

Yours sincerely,

*(Signed by)*

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