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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 8 September 2023, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-eighth session the item entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. At its 8th meeting, on 3 November 2023, the Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Contributions that would occur as a result of the expiration of the term of office of six of its members on 31 December 2023 ([A/78/102/Rev.1](#));

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning a vacancy in the membership of the Committee on Contributions as a result of the resignation of Kitano Mitsuru (Japan), effective 1 January 2024. By that note, the Committee was informed of the nomination by the Government of Japan of Suzuki Yoriko to fill the vacancy for the remaining period of the term of office of Mr. Kitano ([A/78/102/Rev.1/Add.1](#));

(c) Note by the Secretary-General containing the names of seven persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 ([A/C.5/78/7/Rev.1](#)).

3. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint as a member of the Committee on Contributions Suzuki Yoriko (Japan) for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 and ending on 31 December 2024 (see para. 7).



4. Also at the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint or reappoint Michael Holsch (Germany), Lin Shan (China), Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea), Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil) and Cihan Terzi (Türkiye) as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 (see para. 7).

5. Also at the same meeting, the Committee proceeded to select, by secret ballot, one person from two candidates nominated by their respective Governments from the Eastern European States. The result of the voting was as follows:

<i>Number of ballots cast:</i>	190
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	190
<i>Abstentions:</i>	2
<i>Number of members present and voting:</i>	188
<i>Required majority:</i>	95
<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Vadim Laputin (Russian Federation)	107
Tõnis Saar (Estonia)	81

6. Having obtained the required majority, Vadim Laputin (Russian Federation) was recommended to the General Assembly for reappointment as a member of the Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 (see para. 7).

Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly appoint or reappoint the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions:

(a) For a term of office beginning on 1 January 2024 and ending on 31 December 2024: Suzuki Yoriko (Japan);

(b) For a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2024:

Michael Holsch (Germany)
 Vadim Laputin (Russian Federation)
 Lin Shan (China)
 Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)
 Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil)
 Cihan Terzi (Türkiye)