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The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations and invites them to nominate qualified individuals to serve on the group of experts assisting the Committee established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) (1540 Committee).

In resolution 1977 (2011), the Security Council requested the Secretary-General "to establish, in consultation with the 1540 Committee, a group of up to eight experts ("group of experts"), acting under the direction and purview of the Committee, composed of individuals with the appropriate experience and knowledge to provide the Committee with expertise, to assist the Committee in carrying out its mandate". Subsequently, in resolution 2055 (2012), the Security Council emphasized the "1540 Committee's significantly increased workload over the course of its mandate" and requested the Secretary-General to "increase the size of the group of experts to up to nine experts". The Security Council further decided in resolution 2663 (2022) "to continue to provide the 1540 Committee with the assistance of its group of experts, established pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 1977 (2011) and resolution 2055 (2012), to assist the Committee in carrying out its mandate.

Members of the group of experts serve in their individual capacity in line with the Secretariat guidelines, rules and regulations, including the Administrative Instructions on Consultants and Individual Contractors and its annexes (<u>ST/AI/2013/4</u>), the Guidelines For the recruitment and administration of Consultants Serving as Experts on Groups and Panels Established by the Security Council, Including the Office of the Ombudsperson (<u>OHR/PG/2023/6</u>), and the Secretary-General's Bulletin on Regulations Governing the Status Basic Rights and Duties of Officials other than Secretariat Officials and Experts on Mission (<u>ST/SGB/2002/9</u>).

In nominating experts to serve on the group of experts, the attention of Member States is drawn to the report of the 1540 Committee on recommendations for the structure, methods, modalities, expertise and representation of the Committee and Group of Experts, dated 30 December 2011 (S/2011/819).

Accordingly, expertise, knowledge and skills sought include, but are not be limited to: (a) technical knowledge and expertise related to paragraph 3 of resolution 1540; (b) managerial skills required to establish and participate in assistance, implementation and outreach programmes, activities and projects; (c) diplomatic skills; (d) communication skills; (e) public relations expertise; and (f) such skills as the 1540 Committee determines necessary to assist it in carrying out its mandate under resolutions 1540 (2004). The attention of Member States is further drawn to the requirement to maintain gender balance when nominating experts.

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Nominations are sought for one (1) expert position that became available in July 2024 and which the 1540 Committee intends to fill as soon as possible.

Member States are requested to note that a call for nominations will be issued in due course for another three (3) expert positions. Therefore, Member States responding to the current call for nominations are not required to resubmit nominations for the upcoming call.

Member States are invited to submit the names, contact information and curricula vitae (CVs) of their nominated candidates **not later than 6 September 2024** to the Office for Disarmament Affairs (Ms. Einas Mohammed, e-mail: <u>einas.mohammed@un.org</u>).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nation the assurances of its highest consideration.

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