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**Subject: Call for applications for the vacancy of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali**

The Secretariat of the Human Rights Council presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, international organizations or their offices, national institutions, non-governmental organizations and other human rights bodies, and has the honour to inform them that a vacancy of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali (HRC resolution 34/39) has arisen following the resignation of the current mandate holder effective in March 2018. The new Independent Expert is to be appointed at the thirty-seventh session of the Council (26 February to 23 March 2018) provided that the mandate itself is renewed.

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **28 November 2017 (12 noon Greenwich Mean Time / GMT)** through the on-line application procedure, which consists of (1) an online survey and (2) an application form in Word format. Updated information on the selection and appointment procedure is available at the following web page: [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx)

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