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Subject: Applications for eight vacancies of mandate holders to be appointed at the 45th session of the Human Rights Council

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 the following eight mandate holders are to be appointed at the forty-fifth session of the Council (14 September to 2 October 2020 tbc):

1. **Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan** (HRC resolution 42/35)¹
2. **Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation** (HRC resolution 42/5)
3. **Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities** (HRC resolution 35/6)¹
4. **Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, member from African States** (HRC resolution 42/22)
5. **Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, member from Latin American and Caribbean States** (HRC resolution 42/22)
6. **Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, member from Latin American and Caribbean States** (HRC resolution 41/6)
7. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from African States** (HRC resolution 36/6)¹
8. **Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Asia-Pacific States** (HRC resolution 42/9)

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by **30 July 2020 (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: <https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx>

In case of technical difficulties, the Secretariat may be contacted by email at hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org.

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¹ The appointment of these special procedure mandate holders will be made provided the mandates themselves are extended by the Human Rights Council.