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**APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE FROM JULY 2021 TO MARCH 2022**

**Appointments at the 47th session of the Human Rights Council
(21 June to 14 July 2021)**

1. **Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with albinism**([HRC resolution 46/12](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/46/12))
2. **Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy** ([HRC resolution 46/16](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/46/16))
3. **Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences**([HRC resolution 41/17](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/41/17))
4. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Asia-Pacific States** ([HRC resolution 45/24](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/45/24))
5. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Eastern European States** ([HRC resolution 45/24](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/45/24))
6. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Western European and other States** ([HRC resolution 45/3](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/45/3))
7. **Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights** ([HRC resolution 46/8](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/46/8)) *– unforeseen vacancy not listed alphabetically because it became vacant more recently due to a resignation*

**Appointments at the 48th session of the Human Rights Council
(13 September to 11 October 2021)**

1. **Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights** ([HRC resolution 46/9](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/46/9))
2. **Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Latin American and Caribbean States**
([HRC resolution 44/15](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/44/15))
3. **Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, member from Latin American and Caribbean States** ([HRC resolution 45/24](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/45/24)) *– unforeseen vacancy not listed alphabetically because it became vacant more recently due to a resignation*

**Appointments at the 49th session of the Human Rights Council
(28 February to 1 April 2022)**

1. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and South America, and the Caribbean** ([HRC resolution 33/25](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/33/25))
2. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia** ([HRC resolution 33/25](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/33/25))
3. **Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), member from the Pacific** ([HRC resolution 33/25](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/33/25))
4. **Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change** ([HRC resolution 48/14](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/48/14)) *– new mandate*
5. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan** ([HRC resolution 48/1](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/48/1)) *– new mandate*
6. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi** ([HRC resolution 48/16](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/48/16)) *– new mandate*
7. **Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967** ([CHR resolution 1993/2A](https://www.un.org/unispal/document/auto-insert-180615/))
8. **Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, member from Western European and other States** ([HRC resolution 42/22](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/42/22))
9. **Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, member from Asia-Pacific States** ([HRC resolution 45/3](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/45/3))
10. **Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, member from Asia-Pacific States** ([HRC resolution 44/15](https://undocs.org/A/HRC/RES/44/15))
11. **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 Latin American and Caribbean States** ([HRC resolution 42/9](https://undocs.org/en/A/HRC/RES/42/9)) *– unforeseen vacancy, due to a resignation*

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