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Subject: <u>Applications for vacancies of mandate holders to be appointed at the 55th session of the Human Rights Council – additional vacancies</u>

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 additional mandate holders are to be appointed at the fifty-fifth session of the Council (26 February to 5 April 2024), following the resignation of the Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment, received on 22 September 2023, and the establishment by the Council at its fifty-fourth session of the new mandate of the Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas:

- 1. Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment (Human Rights Council resolution 46/7)¹
- 2. Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from African States (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
- 3. Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Asia-Pacific States (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
- 4. Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Eastern European States (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
- 5. Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Latin American and Caribbean States (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)
- 6. Working Group on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas, member from Western European and other States (Human Rights Council resolution 54/9)

Individual applications, including a motivation letter, must be submitted and received by 30 November 2023 at 12 noon Geneva time 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, as well as the call for applications in the six United Nations official languages, are available at the following web page: https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/sp/nominations

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¹ The appointment of this mandate holder will be made provided that the mandate itself is extended by the Human Rights Council.