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## **Report of the Extraordinary meeting held on 1 November 2012**

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## I. Introduction

1. The Chairperson, Her Excellency Ambassador Alicia Arango Olmos (Colombia), presided over the Extraordinary meeting. She explained that the sole purpose of the meeting was to consider the designation of the Vice-Chairperson of the Executive Committee, a decision which had been deferred at the sixty-third annual session of the Executive Committee,<sup>1</sup> in order to allow for further consultations to take place.

2. The following members of the Committee were represented at the meeting:

Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Djibouti, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Lesotho, Luxembourg, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, and Zambia.

## II. Work of the Committee

3. The Chairperson informed delegations that there was a proposal to elect two Vice-Chairpersons, and explained the merits involved. The Committee then elected His Excellency Ambassador Zamir Akram, Permanent Representative of Pakistan, and His Excellency Ambassador Choi Seokyoung, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea, as Vice Chairpersons of the Committee for the sixty-fourth session.

4. The Chairperson also suggested that the Committee consider in its work programme for 2013, a review of options for designation of the Bureau members, which would reflect the growing membership and diversity of the Committee, in order to come up with a clear, transparent and equitable formula.

5. The Assistant High Commissioner (Operations) provided closing remarks, expressing, on behalf of the High Commissioner, appreciation for the manner in which an agreement by consensus had been reached and acknowledging the importance Executive Committee Members attach to their work.

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<sup>1</sup> See Report of the sixty-third session (A/AC.96/1119).