Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By its decision 59/420, the General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/59/241), elected Antonio Manuel de Oliveira Guterres (Portugal) as United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for a period of five years, beginning on 15 June 2005 and ending on 14 June 2010.

2. By its decision 64/419, the General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/64/750), extended the term of office of Mr. Guterres for a period of five years, beginning on 15 June 2010 and ending on 14 June 2015. By its decision 69/417, the Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/69/721), extended the term of Mr. Guterres until 31 December 2015.

3. In conformity with paragraph 13 of the statute of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Secretary-General proposes to the General Assembly that it elect Filippo Grandi (Italy) as United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for a period of five years, beginning on 1 January 2016 and ending on 31 December 2020.

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