



BUREAU DU PRÉSIDENT

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Excellencies,

I have the honour to transmit for your attention the report of the Consultative Group dated 3 June 2020 with its recommendations of candidates for consideration for the appointment to the following four vacancies of mandate holders to be filled at the forty-fourth session of the Human Rights Council. The appointment of the mandate holders marked by an asterisk will be made provided the mandates themselves are extended by the Human Rights Council.

1. **Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes** ([HRC resolution 36/15](#))
2. **Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression** ([HRC resolution 34/18](#) and [HRC decision 43/115](#))\*
3. **Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health** ([HRC resolution 42/16](#))
4. **Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children** ([HRC resolution 35/5](#))\*

I take this opportunity to recall that, according to paragraph 52 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1, “on the basis of the recommendations of the Consultative Group and following broad consultations, in particular through the regional coordinators, the President of the Council will identify an appropriate candidate for each vacancy.”

In line with this paragraph, I will be holding broad consultations, based on this report, with a view to identifying appropriate candidates for the above-mentioned vacancies.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'E. Tichy'.

Elisabeth TICHY-FISSELBERGER  
President of the Human Rights Council

Enclosure

To all Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office at Geneva