Appointee of one member to the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee

Draft decision*

The Board approves the renewal of the term of one member to the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee as follows:

➢ Mr Robert Samels, from 1 March 2022 to 28 February 2025.

* This is a draft decision. For the final decision adopted by the Board, please refer to the decisions and recommendations document issued at the end of the session.

Focal points:

See selection panel membership in paragraph 2

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1. Under the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee revised terms of reference, the Board approves the appointment of Committee members on the recommendation of a selection panel consisting of five representatives, one from each of the electoral lists of the Executive Board, appointed by the Board.

2. The composition of the selection panel was approved by the Board at its 2021 second regular session:
   - Ms Lamia Ben Redouane, Alternate Permanent Representative of Algeria, as representative of List A;
   - Dr Bommakanti Rajender, Alternate Permanent Representative of India, as representative of List B;
   - Ms Diana Infante Quiñones, Alternate Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic, as representative of List C;
   - Ms Elizabeth Petrovski, Alternate Permanent Representative of the United States of America, as representative of List D;
   - Mr Denis Cherednichenko, Alternate Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation, as representative of List E.

3. The first term of one member of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee – Mr Robert Samels – will expire on 28 February 2022. In accordance with paragraph 22 of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee revised terms of reference, this member may be considered for reappointment to a second and final term of three years.

4. The selection panel held on-line consultations to assess the potential reappointment of the member of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee and concurred that, upon review of his profile and the input of the Chair of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee, as well as work outcomes and other materials, this member:
   - had served one term as member of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee and expressed in writing his interest in the renewal of his tenure;
   - had demonstrated strong commitment to WFP by participating in regular meetings each year as well as frequent teleconferences convened in preparation for these meetings and to discuss other relevant issues;
   - had contributed fully to the discussions of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee through his extensive knowledge and experience in technical areas under the remit of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee; and
   - had conducted the self-assessment required as part of the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee work plan and in line with best practice.

5. In view of the above, the selection panel recommends to the Board that the Independent Oversight Advisory Committee member with term ending on 28 February 2022 be renewed for a second and final term of three years.

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1 See: WFP/EB.2/2021/9-A.