The present report provides information on the candidatures received for the appointment of an External Auditor as of 23 March 2017.

1. In its decision GC.16/Dec.14, the General Conference decided in 2015 to extend the current appointment of the Auditor General of Germany as the External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years, from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2018, under the terms of reference specified in the Financial Regulations of UNIDO.

2. General Conference decision GC.6/Dec.18 requests the Director General to invite proposals from Member States for the appointment of an External Auditor. Member States were also requested to submit such proposals to the Programme and Budget Committee for consideration. In compliance with that decision, a note verbale dated 24 January 2017 was sent to Member States, asking them to inform the Director General by 1 March 2017 of their interest in providing the services of an External Auditor. The proposals thus received were to be submitted to the Programme and Budget Committee at its thirty-third session, to be held from 16 to 18 May 2017.

3. As of 23 March 2017, the following candidatures were received for the appointment of an External Auditor:

   - Mr. Carlos Polit Faggioni, Comptroller General of the Republic of Ecuador
   - Mr. Kay Scheller, President of the German Supreme Audit Institution
   - Mr. Michael G. Aguinaldo, Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines

4. All candidates completed the standardized form “Proposal for appointment of External Auditor”. The compilation of replies received will be brought to the attention of the Committee for its consideration in a conference room paper to be

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distributed prior to the session, thus facilitating the decision-making process.

5. An information note dated 23 March 2017 was circulated to Permanent Missions. This note contained a copy of the relevant communications concerning the candidatures, which are also reproduced in the annex to the present document.

**Action required of the Committee**

6. The Committee may wish to propose to the Industrial Development Board that it recommend to the General Conference the appointment of one of the candidates as External Auditor for UNIDO, for a period of two years, beginning 1 July 2018. The appointment would fall under the terms of reference specified in article XI (and annex) of the Financial Regulations of UNIDO. The travel and other costs related to the regular audit work are to be borne by the External Auditor. UNIDO provides a fixed fee, as approved in the programme and budgets.
Annex

Communications concerning candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor by 23 March 2017

A. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Carlos Polit Faggioni, Comptroller General of the Republic of Ecuador

Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the International Organizations in Vienna

NV No. 4-9-040/2017

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and, with reference to note CU 2017/17/UNIDO/PMO/EA of 24 January 2017, has the honour to nominate Dr. Carlos Pólit Faggioni, Comptroller General of the Republic of Ecuador, for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a two-year term beginning on 1 July 2018.

The application form, together with the Ecuadorian candidate’s curriculum vitae, is annexed to this note.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the International Organizations in Vienna takes this opportunity to convey to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

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Vienna, 20 March 2017

United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
Vienna

B. Communication concerning the candidature of Mr. Kay Scheller, President of the German Supreme Audit Institution

Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations, Vienna

Ref. No.: Pol-4-IO-441.52 ERP
Note No.: 7/2017

Verbal Note

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations in Vienna, presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and with reference to the latter’s note CU 2017/17/UNIDO/PMO/EA dated 24 January 2017, has the honour to submit the candidature of Mr. Kay Scheller, President of the Bundesrechnungshof (German Supreme Audit Institution), for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2018. The completed application form and a CV are attached.

The Permanent Mission trusts that as an audit institution with decades of experience in auditing International Organizations, the Bundesrechnungshof will provide UNIDO with highly professional audit services which assure that public resources are applied economically, efficiently and effectively.

1 These communications are reproduced in the form in which they were received by the Secretariat.
The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations in Vienna, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 22 February 2017

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To the
United Nations Industrial Development Organization
Vienna

C. Communications concerning the candidature of Mr. Michael G. Aguinaldo, Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines

Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to the United Nations and other International Organizations, Vienna

No.: VN-PH-76-2017


The Permanent Mission shall submit on 01 March 2017 the completed application form and proposal, along with other supporting documents pertinent to this candidature.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 28 February 2017

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Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
Vienna

Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to the United Nations and other International Organizations, Vienna

No.: VN-PH-77-2017

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and, further to its note VN-PH-77-2017 dated 27 February 2017, has the honour to forward the application, together with the proposal and other supporting documents of the Honourable MICHAEL G. AGUINALDO, Chairman of
the Commission on Audit of the Republic of the Philippines (Philippine Supreme Audit Institution), in connection with his candidature for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1st July 2018.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines believes that UNIDO will benefit from this candidature given the candidate's and the Philippine Commission on Audit's proven experience in auditing international organizations.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 01 March 2017

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Secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
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