



#### **4 – VACANT POSITIONS WITHIN COUNCIL**

##### ***4.1 – Election of the Treasurer and a Finance and Audit Group***

###### **Note by the Secretary-General**

In accordance with the draft General Regulations Article 9.5 “The Council shall, from among its members elect a Chair and four additional Council members to sit on the Finance and Audit Group.”.

The procedures for election of the Group are stated in the General Regulations Article 9:

- 9.6 The election will be by secret ballot, which shall be conducted by the Secretary-General. Should the number of candidates be the same as the number of positions to be filled, those candidates will be appointed to the group without ballot.
- 9.7 All elected Council members will be eligible for election upon declaring their candidacy.
- 9.8 There shall be two ballots, the first to elect the Chair and the second to elect the four group members except when Article 9.6 applies.
- 9.9 The Secretariat shall produce a ballot form for nominees for the group and each designated representative shall have one vote for each vacant seat.
- 9.10 If two or more candidates obtain the same number of votes for the last seat or seats to be filled, there shall be a further ballot from among these candidates only. Should the votes again be divided equally, the Secretary-General shall draw by lot the name of the candidate to be eliminated in any subsequent ballots.
- 9.11 Election of the Chair will be simple majority of votes cast, the counting of which will be done by the Secretary-General in the presence of the Council. When several candidates compete for the position, and no candidate obtain a simple majority of votes, rounds of votes will be conducted, in order to eliminate each time, the candidate with fewer votes. Should a simple majority not be possible due to an equal division of votes amongst the remaining two candidates the Secretary-General will draw by lot the name of the candidate who will be appointed to the position.

Based on consultations with members and the fact that the group was elected at the Council meeting in Rio de Janeiro for the 2023–2027 term, it is recommended that:

- United Kingdom (Chair);
- Chile;
- France;
- Germany; and

- Malaysia

are elected as Chair and members of the FAG.

**THE COUNCIL IS INVITED TO**

**Note** of the information provided and **elect** a Chair and a Finance and Audit Group.