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Annex: 1

Subject: Election of vice-president of Regional Association I

Action required: Nomination of candidates for vice-president of RA 1 by **17 October 2020**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to inform you that following the departure of Dr Ahmed Abd El-Aal, former Chairman, Board of Directors of the Egyptian Meteorological Authority and Permanent Representative of Egypt with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), the position of vice-president of Regional Association I (Africa), became vacant as Dr Abd El-Aal subsequently ceased to hold the office of the position of vice-president of the Region in accordance with Regulation 9 of the General Regulations, as provided in *Basic Documents 2019 edition* (WMO-No. 15).

The president of Regional Association I, Mr Daouda Konate has requested the Secretariat to proceed with the elections by correspondence in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 15 (c) of the General Regulations. The purpose of this letter is therefore to invite nominations for candidates to the office of vice-president in compliance with Regulation 74 of the General Regulations, which stipulates the following:

When it is decided to hold elections by correspondence, the Secretary-General shall invite those entitled to vote to nominate in advance eligible candidates for the office or place to be filled. The president who requested the election shall decide on the duration of the period, which shall not be less than thirty days, during which nominations of candidates will be received.

In the determination of those who are entitled to vote and make nominations, the following provisions of the General Regulations, as well as decisions of Congress should be taken into account:

- (a) Regulation 135 (a) prescribes that the president and vice-president of an Association shall be Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services of Members of the Organization belonging to the Region, as specified by Regulation 112. In this connection, Regulation 112 stipulates that a Member, which belongs to more than one regional association shall, for the purposes of Article 13 of the Convention, normally be regarded as coming from the Region in which the headquarters of its Meteorological Service is located;
- (b) Regulation 7 stipulates that 'Except as provided by Article 4 (b) of the Convention, no person shall be entitled to act at the same time as president or vice-president of more than one of the constituent bodies, or as president of a constituent body and an elected member of the Executive Council';

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association I (Africa)

cc: President of RA I

- (c) By its [Resolution 37 \(Cg-XI\)](#) - Suspension of Members for failure to meet financial obligations, the Eleventh World Meteorological Congress decided, inter alia, that nationals or representatives of a Member in arrears for more than two consecutive calendar years shall *not* be eligible for nomination for elective offices of constituent bodies.

To assist the Members in nominating candidates, I enclose a list of eligible Directors of the Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services as of the date of this letter according to the information available in the Secretariat ([Annex](#)).

After receiving nominations, I shall obtain confirmation of the nominees' availability, in accordance with Regulation 75. This regulation further provides that when the list of candidates only contains one name, this candidate shall be declared elected.

In accordance with Regulation 74, the president of RA I has decided that a period of 30 days shall be allowed for the receipt of nominations. I should be grateful if you could send me any nomination you wish to make for the office of the vice-president of RA I, as soon as possible, and not later than **17 October 2020**.

Yours faithfully,



Prof. Petteri Taalas  
Secretary-General

**LIST OF DIRECTORS OF THE METEOROLOGICAL OR HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES\* OF MEMBERS OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATION I (AFRICA) ELIGIBLE FOR NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF RA I**

(NOT INCLUDING DR AGNES KIJAZI, THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT OF WMO AND MR DAOUA KONATE, PRESIDENT OF RA I)

Member	Name
Algeria	Mr Brahim IHADADENE
Angola	Mr Domingos José DO NASCIMENTO
Benin	Mr Marcellin Kokou NAKPON
Botswana	Mr Radithupa Mesho RADITHUPA
Burkina Faso	Mr Joël ZOUNGRANA
Cabo Verde	Ms Maria DA CRUZ GOMES SOARES
Cameroon	Mr Simplicie TCHINDA TAZO**
Djibouti	Mr Mohamed Ismael NOUR
Egypt	Major General Hesham Hassan Ibrahim Abdelaaty TAHOUN
Eritrea	Mr Paulos KAHSAY
Eswatini	Ms Duduzile NHLENGETHWA-MASINA
Ethiopia	Mr Fetene TESHOME**
Gambia	Mr Lamin Mai TOURAY
Ghana	Dr Michael MAWUTOR TANU
Kenya	Ms Stella M.O. AURA
Lesotho	Ms Mabafokeng Felesiah MAHAHABISA
Madagascar	Ms Nirivololona RAHOLIJAIO
Mali	Mr Djibrilla Ariaboncana MAIGA
Mauritius	Mr Premchand GOOLAUP
Morocco	Mr Omar CHAFKI**
Mozambique	Dr Adérito Celso Félix ARAMUGE**
Namibia	Mr Franz UIRAB**
Niger	Mr Gaptia Lawan KATIELLOU
Nigeria	Prof. Sani Abubakar MASHI**
Rwanda	Mr Aimable GAHIGI
Senegal	Mr Magueye Marame NDAO
Seychelles	Mr Vincent AMELIE
Sudan	Dr Ahmed Mohamed ABDELKARIM
Tunisia	Mr Hedi AGREBI JAOUADI
Uganda	Mr Festus LUBOYERA
Zimbabwe	Ms Rebecca MANZOU

\* Director of a Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Service of a Member is defined by the General Regulations (*Basic Documents No. 1 2019 edition, (WMO-No. 15)*) as: "the Director/Head of a Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Service of the Member who has been designated as the Permanent Representative of that Member, or alternatively, the Director/Head of a Service of a Member responsible at national level for meteorology or for meteorology and operational hydrology specially designated by this Member for the purposes of the Convention and the General Regulations".

\*\* These individuals have been elected as members of the Executive Council.