Subject: Board and Committee member appointments

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Strategic goal: Alliance operations

Section A: Overview

1. Purpose of the report

1.1 This report informs the Board of the nominations from the Governance Committee for committee membership.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Board is asked to appoint the following persons to the respective committees:

(a) **Yifei Li** as a member of the Audit and Finance Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year.

(b) **Clarisse Loe Loumou** as a member of the Programme and Policy Committee in the seat currently occupied by Joan Awunyo-Akaba effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year.

(c) **Magid Al-Gunaid** as a member of the Programme and Policy Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year.

(d) **Jos Vandelaer** as a member of the Programme and Policy Committee in the seat currently occupied by Mickey Chopra effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year.

(e) **Maria C. Freire** as a member of the Governance Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year.

(f) **Angela Santoni** as a member of the Evaluation Advisory Committee effective immediately and until the earlier of the end of her Board term or 31 July 2015.
(g) **Bernhard Schwartlander** as a member of the Evaluation Advisory Committee effective immediately and until 31 July 2015.

3. **Executive summary**

3.1 The persons listed in this paper were recommended by the Governance Committee to join the committees listed. There were no nominations for Board seats.

4. **Next steps**

4.1 The Board is requested to consider and, if thought fit, appoint persons nominated by the Governance Committee.

**Section B: Implications**

5. **Impact on countries**

5.1 There is no direct impact.

6. **Impact on the Business Plan / Budget / Programme Financing**

6.1 There is no direct impact.

7. **Risk implications and mitigations**

7.1 There is capacity risk for the Board if recommended candidates are not appointed and empty seats are not quickly filled after terms expire.

8. **Legal and governance implications**

8.1 There are no legal or governance implications other than those already highlighted in sections 3, 9, and 10 of this paper.

9. **Consultation**

9.1 Developing country governments are responsible for nominating candidates for their seats in accordance with their constituency processes.

9.2 UNICEF senior management nominates candidates for their Board and committee seats.

9.3 The CSO Steering Committee is responsible for nominating candidates. The steering committee released a call for nominations and selected the candidate appearing in this paper.
9.4 The Governance Committee consults with unaffiliated Board members on their preferences for committee membership in order to match their skills with the committees’ needs.

10. Gender equality implications

10.1 The Board currently has 26 members (including the non-voting CEO):
(a) 15 members are men (58%), 11 are women (42%)
(b) There are no changes to the principal members of the Board

10.2 The Board currently has 16 alternate Board members:
(a) 9 alternates are men (56%), 7 are women (44%)
(b) There are no candidates for alternate membership.

11. Implications for the Secretariat

11.1 There are no implications for the Secretariat.