Report of the Secretary-General

Part II: Administrative and statutory matters

(d) Election of the members of the UNWTO Staff Pension Committee for 2016-2017

I. Introduction

1. Following the affiliation of the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF) in 1996 and in conformity with Article 6 of the Fund’s Regulations, the Organization established its Staff Pension Committee. This tripartite committee is composed of members and alternate members chosen by the General Assembly from among the Member States, by the Secretary-General and by the officials of the Organization who are participants of the Fund.

2. The first Staff Pension Committee of the Organization was established for the period 1996-1997, with Spain and India as Members and Argentina and Côte d’Ivoire as Alternate Members.

3. At its 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th sessions, the General Assembly, decided to re-elect Argentina and Spain for the periods 2008-2009, 2010-2011, 2012-2013 and 2014-2015 (A/RES/520(XVII), A/RES/568/(XVIII), A/RES/597/(XIX) and A/RES/626(XX) respectively). There were no candidates to alternate membership.

II. Candidatures for the UNWTO Staff Pension Committee

4. The current mandate of the staff pension committee expires at the end of 2015. Once again, the General Assembly is invited to deliberate on this issue and to elect the full and alternate members of this Committee for the period 2016-2017.

5. In this regard, any Member State wishing to present its candidature to the UNWTO Staff Pension Committee may do so in writing to the Secretary-General. The deadline for the submission of candidatures will remain open until the corresponding agenda item is discussed at the General Assembly.
III. Actions to be taken by the General Assembly

6. The General Assembly is invited:

   (a) To thank Argentina and Spain for their contribution, and
   
   (b) To elect the Members of the UNWTO Staff Pension Fund for the biennium 2016-2017 as follows:

      (i) Two members
      
      (ii) Two alternate members