

INDICATION OF PREFERENCE FOR THE DESIGNATION OF ACTING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND THE AWARD OF THE IMO PRIZE

In accordance with General Regulation 199 and Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council, when in the selection of an acting member of the Council or of the recipient of the IMO Prize it is necessary to choose between two or more persons the following procedures shall be used:

- (a) Each member of the Executive Council, or their alternate, represented in the Executive Council shall be asked to indicate their preferred candidate on the voting slip. All candidates who fail to receive a vote and the candidate who receives the smallest number of votes shall be struck from the list of candidates. In the event of two or more candidates receiving the smallest number of votes, a separate vote of preference shall be taken and the candidate who receives the least number of votes shall be eliminated from the list and the other(s) retained. If in this separate vote of preference more than one candidate receives the smallest number of votes, all these candidates shall be eliminated from the list. If during the separate vote of preference all the candidates receive an equal number of votes, one of them shall be eliminated by the drawing of lots;
 - (b) The procedures described in paragraph (a) shall then be repeated with the reduced list of candidates;
 - (c) This procedure shall continue until one candidate (the "preferred candidate") remains on the list;
 - (d) A proposal shall then be submitted to the Executive Council that the preferred candidate be declared selected. In order to be adopted, such a proposal shall be supported by a simple majority of the votes cast for and against in the case of the designation of an acting member of the Council (Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council) and by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast for and against in the case of the recipient of the IMO Prize;
 - (e) If, at any stage during the voting procedure described in paragraphs (a) to (c) above, a candidate receives the required majority of the votes cast, he/she shall be declared selected, and no further votes shall be taken;
 - (f) In the event of the two final candidates in the indication of preference procedure receiving the same number of votes, a further vote shall take place;
 - (g) In the event that the proposal described in paragraph (d) is not supported by the required majority of the votes cast for and against, a further vote shall take place;
 - (h) In the event of the further votes described in paragraphs (f) and (g) being indecisive, the Executive Council shall decide whether further voting shall take place, whether a new procedure shall be followed, or whether its decision shall be withheld.
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