Election of the Chairperson of the CPA International Executive Committee (EXCO)

The General Assembly of the CPA takes place on the fringes of the CPA Annual Conference. The General Assembly meeting in London on Wednesday 27 July 2011 will be required to elect a Chairperson of the Executive Committee.

Under Article 20(4) of the CPA Constitution, three valid nominations have been received for this position. The three nominees, in alphabetical order, with names of their proposers and seconders are:

1. **Rt Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst, MP**  
   United Kingdom

   - Proposer: Hon. Kenneth Marende, EGH, MP  
     Speaker of the National Assembly  
     Kenya

   - Seconders: Mr Hugh Bayley, MP  
     United Kingdom

     Hon. David Agius, MP  
     Malta

2. **Hon. Fiame Naomi Mata’afa, MP**  
   Minister of Justice  
   Samoa

   - Proposer: Hon. Alix Boyd Knights, MHA  
     Dominica

   - Seconder: Hon. Laauli Leuatea Polataivao Fosi, MP  
     Legislative Assembly  
     Samoa
3. Hon. Kashmala Tariq, MNA
Pakistan

Proposer: Hon. Farooq H. Naek
Chairman of the Senate
Pakistan

Seconder: Hon. Khawaja Mohammad Asif, MNA
National Assembly
Pakistan

Biographies for the candidates are attached at Annex A.

Over the past few years, CPA elections have caused tensions within the organisation either through allegations that the ballot process was flawed or skewed due to regional voting patterns. As a result, Scotland Branch has taken a keen interest in these elections. Since 2005; Scotland Branch has provided the Scottish delegate with a mandate to vote for a particular candidate.

Recommendation

- It is recommended that the BEC: consider the information provided in the biographies; select a preferred candidate and provide Clare Adamson MSP with a mandate to vote accordingly at the General Assembly.

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