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**General Council**

**APPOINTMENT OF THE NEXT DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

**CONSOLIDATED LIST OF CANDIDATURES RECEIVED**

*Communication from the Chairman of the General Council*

Under the Procedures for the Appointment of Directors-General (WT/L/509), I am required to communicate to Members a consolidated list of candidatures received for the post of Director-General immediately after the close of the nomination period, in this case 31 December 2016.

I would like to advise Members that at the end of the nomination period the only candidacy received for this post is from Mr. Roberto Azevêdo, the incumbent Director-General.

The notification received from Mr. Azevêdo pursuant to paragraph 12 of the Procedures in WT/L/509, was circulated to all Members together with my communication in document JOB/GC/109, dated 3 November 2016.

I will be consulting with Members as to the next steps in this appointment process, with a view to reaching a decision by the General Council as foreseen in the Procedures in WT/L/509.

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