

SPECIAL PROCEDURES – MANDATE HOLDERS
LIST OF VACANCIES*
JUNE 2008

SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE HOLDERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL UPON ENDORSEMENT OF THE COUNCIL			
TITLE OF THE MANDATE/DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT	NAME, COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT OF THE CURRENT MANDATE HOLDER	NEW MANDATE HOLDER TO BE APPOINTED IN:	REMARKS
<p>Working Group on people of African descent (representative from African Group region)</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 2002/68 of the Commission on Human Rights</i></p>	<p>Peter Lesa Kasanda (Zambia)</p> <p>August 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeding six years tenure in August 2008</p>
<p>Working Group on Arbitrary Detention (representative from the Asian Group)</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 1991/42 of the Commission on Human Rights; last renewed by HRC resolution 6/4</i></p>	<p>Seyyed Mohamad Hashemi (Islamic Republic of Iran)</p> <p>July 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeding six years tenure in July 2008</p>

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<p>Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 1993/45 of the Commission on Human Rights¹</i></p>	<p>Ambeyi Ligabo (Kenya)</p> <p>August 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeding six years tenure in August 2008</p>
<p>Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 2002/31 of the Commission on Human Rights; last renewed by HRC resolution 6/29</i></p>	<p>Paul Hunt (New Zealand)</p> <p>August 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeding six years tenure in August 2008</p>

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<p>Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 1993/20 of the Commission on Human Rights²</i></p>	<p>Doudou Diène (Senegal)</p> <p>July 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeding six years tenure in July 2008</p>
<p>Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 2004/110 of the Commission on Human Rights</i></p>	<p>Sigma Huda (Bangladesh)</p> <p>October 2004</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>As decided by the Human Rights Council in its seventh session</p>

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<p>Independent Expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Haiti</p> <p><i>Established by resolution 1995/70 of the Commission on Human Rights; last renewed by HRC/PRST/1</i></p>	<p>Mr. Louis Joinet (France)</p> <p>March 2002</p>	<p>June 2008</p>	<p>Exceeded six years tenure in March 2008</p>

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