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We commend the secretariat for the clarity of the process in the documents provided.

We wanted to emphasize the critical importance of inclusivity in the nomination of members of the decision making, oversight and subsidiary bodies.

This inclusivity should be defined by open calls through broad announcements with clear nomination pathways that invite nominations from all major groups and other Stakeholders.