R1 Recognition of Secretary General's Mandate

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Resolution text

According to the current Internal Rules of Procedure (adopted 2023), Secretary General is elected by the Executive Committee, and no mandate limit is specified. The amendment (IR-150) by the Executive Committee to the Internal Rules of Procedure proposes a change: the Secretary General should be elected by the General Assembly with a two-year mandate that can be renewable once.

With this resolution, the General Assembly recognises proposed Secretary General by the Executive Committee to be elected by the General Assembly and determines this as the beginning of the two-year mandate.

To be noted that this resolution can only by valid through approval of all relevant changes regarding the mandate of the Secretary General in the Internal Rules of Procedure.

Reason

The resolution will allow newly selected Secretary General to be recognised as elected by the General Assembly and start two year term. Otherwise, they would function as a interim Secretary General until 2025 General Assembly which would need to vote vote for a Secretary General. The resolution would avoid confusion and allow for smooth adoption of the new procedure.