



## Executive Council

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### Election of the Chair and the two Vice-Chairs of the Executive Council for 2018

#### I. Introduction

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1. In accordance with Rule 5 of its Rules of Procedure (see below), the Council is invited to elect its Chair and two Vice-Chairs for 2018.

##### Officers of the Council

###### *Rule 5*

1. *The Council shall elect by secret ballot from among its Members a Chairman, a first Vice-Chairman and a second Vice-Chairman for a term of one year.*
  2. *The election shall require a simple majority of the Members of the Council present and voting. If no candidate receives the majority in the first ballot, a second and, if necessary, subsequent ballots shall be held to decide between the two candidates who received the largest number of votes in the first ballot.*
  3. *The Chairman and the Vice-Chairmen shall be eligible for a second term of office.*
  4. *The Full Members elected to the chairmanship and vice-chairmanships of the Council shall designate the persons to perform the duties of Chairman and Vice-Chairmen.*
2. Although Rule 5 provides that this election shall be by secret ballot, the Council has in practice most often adopted a consensus approach to the election of its Officers.
3. In a letter addressed to the Secretary-General on 8 August 2017, the Minister of Tourism of **Zambia** presented his country's candidature for the chairmanship of the Executive Council for the year 2018.
4. Also, in a letter addressed to the Secretary-General on 12 September 2017, the Minister of Tourism of **Argentina** presented his country's candidature for the chairmanship of the Executive Council for the year 2018.
5. No candidates for the posts of Vice-Chairs have been received.

#### II. Actions to be taken by the Executive Council

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6. The Executive Council is invited to elect its Chair and Vice-Chairs.

