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## EXTENSION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE VICE SECRETARY-GENERAL

*Document prepared by the Secretary-General*

1. The Council, at its twenty-seventh extraordinary session, held in Geneva on March 26, 2010, appointed Mr. Peter John Button as the new Vice Secretary-General of UPOV for the period from December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2012 (see document C(Extr.)/27/3 "Report on the Decisions", paragraph 7).

2. In light of the performance of the Vice Secretary -General, after consultation with the President of the Council, and in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General recommends the extension of the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General until November 30, 2015. A report on the conclusions of the Consultative Committee, at its eighty-third session, to be held in Geneva on March 30, 2012, concerning the above recommendation will be made to the Council, at its twenty-ninth extraordinary session, to be held in Geneva on March 30, 2012 (see document C(Extr.)/29/4).

*3. The Council is invited to extend the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General from December 1, 2012 until November 30, 2015.*

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