



44th Staff Union Council 2026-2027

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Executive Bureau Minutes of the 15th meeting

Held on 12 August 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
via MS Teams

Adopted on 19 August 2026

Members of the Executive Bureau:

ABDELLAOUI Naima	Absent	JOHNSON Laura	Present
BALY Chiraz	Present	LEWIS-LETTINGTON Nicole	Present
GULSADIAN Marie	Present	OLIYNYK Nataliya	Absent
JACQIOT Cédric	Present		

President of the UNOG SU:

RICHARDS Ian Absent

Vice-President of the UNOG SU:

PUHALOVIC Janet Present

The meeting began at 10:15 a.m.

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted with changes as reflected below.

2. Adoption of the draft minutes

Adoption of the minutes was postponed.

3. World Humanitarian Day

The Executive Secretary had been invited to make a statement at the ceremony for World Humanitarian Day on 19 August and invited ideas of content to include. It was agreed to check whether CCISUA would be issuing a statement as they had the previous year.

4. Joint bodies

The polling officers had written to ask about holding joint body elections but many of the bodies had only just held them earlier in the year, so it was agreed to inform them of that. It was noted that the Council should be informed of the conversion to OSH committee of the health and safety committee might need to be validated by the Council.

5. Legal updates

The Bureau was updated on a conversation of the office holders with an OSLA chief, on matters related to use of the downsizing policy, a positive judgment on step determination and an update on the roster appeal. It was agreed to send out a broadcast on the latter two items and also to encourage staff to make FWA requests in writing so they could challenge any unjustified refusals.

6. Rebuttal panel members

The recent change in practice for forming rebuttal panels, especially at the D1 level, with a shift from forming ad hoc panels to requesting lists of other duty stations, was noted, as well as the difficulties it caused. It was agreed to look into seeking policy changes at SMC, to allow panel members of a lower grade than the FRO, and to advocate for duty station-wide lists rather than staff members from elsewhere. It was discussed whether the administration could compel D1s to participate in rebuttal panels to improve the choice for staff.

The meeting was adjourned at 11.00 a.m.