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Rule Governing Elections to the Africa Scout Committee

Further to Rules of Procedure circulated in 16ASConfDoc3, the following are rules that will govern elections to the Africa Scout Committee during the 16th Africa Scout Conference to be held on 28 August – 1 September 2015 in Kampala, Uganda. The rules have been adapted from the rule that governed elections to the World Scout Committee at the last World Scout Conference in Ljubljana, Slovenia in August 2015.

1. Under Article VI of the Constitution of the Africa Scout Region, the Africa Scout Committee consists of eight members elected for a 6-year term or up to the next respective conference. Four members of the Committee shall retire at each Africa Scout Conference and they shall be replaced by four other members. The Africa Regional Office shall notify all Member Organizations of the Africa Scout Region of the expiration of the term of office of members concerned and shall invite each Member Organization to submit its nominations for membership in the Africa Scout Committee six months before each meeting of the Africa Scout Conference. The nomination of a candidate for election to the Africa Scout Committee shall be made or endorsed by his own Member Organization. The National Scout Organization nominating a candidate for election to the Committee must be in order with its annual membership fee in its entirety. Nominations for candidates to the Africa Scout Committee shall reach the Africa Regional Office in writing not later than eight weeks before the opening date of the Africa Scout Conference, by which date the list of nominations shall be closed. Without exception, only one elected member from any one Member Organization may serve on the Committee at any time.
2. During the Conference, candidates will be permitted a maximum of three minutes to present their candidature in plenary session.
3. Voting shall be conducted in one single round. All nominated candidates shall be listed on the voting paper. Voting shall be by secret ballot and nothing may be entered on the voting paper except the number of votes. The leader of each delegation is given a voting paper on which each delegation must record a total of 24 votes and no more than 6 votes for any one candidate. If the vote is divided between the component associations of any national delegation, each Member Organization shall determine the proportion of the total votes allocated to each association.
4. The candidates receiving the most votes will be declared elected to fill the vacancies on the Committee. In the event of a tie to fill the last position(s), further round(s) of voting between the candidates with equal votes will be held until one candidate receives more votes in that round and will be declared elected.
5. The Tellers shall ensure that on each vote and count, if more than one candidate of any one Member Organization is on the list of nominations, the one receiving the lower vote is removed, so that only one new member of any one Member Organization is elected.
6. The Chairperson shall announce the results of the elections, including the number of votes cast in favour of each candidate. After the elections, the voting papers shall be destroyed by the Tellers.