1. The three-year term of the current Governing Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP) will end at the forthcoming sixty-ninth session of the Commission to be held in Bangkok from 25 April to 1 May 2013. The Commission will elect a new Governing Council during the session.

2. The Statute of the Institute (Commission resolution 67/13) stipulates that “The Institute shall have a Governing Council consisting of a representative designated by the Government of Japan and eight representatives nominated by other members and associate members of ESCAP elected by the Commission. The members and associate members to be elected by the Commission shall be elected for a period of three years but shall be eligible for re-election”.

3. In addition to the host country, the current members of the Governing Council are: Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan, Republic of Korea and Thailand.

4. As stated in the Statute, member and associate member States elected to the Governing Council will be expected to participate in its sessions, held at least once a year, to provide guidance to the Institute. To ensure continuity in the work of the Council, elected member and associate member States are expected to designate one representative who will serve on the Council throughout the period of membership. The cost of participation of representatives of elected members in all sessions of the Council shall be borne by Governments concerned.

5. The secretariat had already brought the election of the Governing Council of SIAP to the attention of members and associate members through a letter from the Executive Secretary of ESCAP dated 15 January 2013 to the Seats of Government and have received expressions of interest from several countries (as of 12 April 2013) as follows: (1) China (2) Indonesia (3) Pakistan (4) Philippines (5) Thailand and (6) Vanuatu.
6. All members and associate members desiring to seek election or re-election are requested to complete the attached nomination form for submission to the Secretary of the Commission latest by 12:00 hours on Friday, 26 April 2013.

7. A Conference Bulletin containing the list of nominees received by the deadline, together with other information will be uploaded in the ESCAP website <www.unescap.org/commission/69> on the morning of Saturday, 27 April 2013 with further information on the election.

8. In the event that there are more than eight (8) nominations, a voting will be carried out between 14:00-16:00 hours on Monday, 29 April 2013 during the Ministerial Segment. Nominees who obtain the eight highest votes will comprise the new set of members of the Governing Council.

9. Further information can be obtained by contacting:

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NOMINATION FORM

ELECTION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF
STATISTICAL INSTITUTE FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (SIAP)

To: Mr. Adnan Aliani
Secretary of the Commission
Fax: (662) 288-3030

Date: ...........................................

I am pleased to inform you that the Government of ............................................. desires to seek election (re-election) to the Governing Council of SIAP. I would appreciate it if you would make necessary arrangements in that regard.

Signature: .......................................................

Name: ............................................................

Designation: ..................................................

* To be submitted to Mr. Adnan Aliani, Secretary of the Commission, latest by 12:00 hours on Friday, 26 April 2013.