

**GOPAC BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING: 161002
DECISIONS AND DISCUSSION**

1. ***Election of Chair:*** John Williams, Member of Parliament from St. Albert, Canada was elected chair.

2. ***Election of Executive Committee:***

As a temporary measure, until Board members become more familiar with each other, a broad geographic distribution of the seven members was seen as useful. The Board agreed that the Executive Committee would see itself needing to be re-confirmed after 6-9 months. In addition, it is expected that some of the new chapters initiated at the conference will be formed in the next several months, thus enlarging the Board membership.

The Executive Committee includes:
Chair, ***John Williams*** (Canada); North America
Muzikari Kombo (Kenya) of Africa
Kim Yong-Hwan (Republic of Korea) Asia
Giovanni Kessler (Italy) of Europe
Cecilia Romero (Mexico) from Latin America
Naser Al-Sane (Kuwait) from the Middle East
Son Chhay (Cambodia) of Southeast Asia

3. ***Secretariat:*** The Parliamentary Centre was confirmed as the GOPAC Secretariat and asked to take three steps:
 - a) To incorporate GOPAC as a Canadian not-for-profit organization
 - b) Initiate the Website discussion of the GOPAC constitution
 - c) Develop a draft strategic plan and an approach to resourcing for consideration by the Executive Committee.
4. ***Meeting of the Executive Committee:*** The Chair asked for time to reflect on the Conference and then call a meeting of the Committee.