



PHILIPPINES

74TH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER'S PROGRAM

Agenda Item 11: Election of Officers

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Madam Chair,

On behalf of the Philippines, I am pleased to second the distinguished delegate of Congo's nomination of Ms. Mary Kibere Namono of the Permanent Mission of Uganda as the Rapporteur of the UNHCR Executive Committee.

I give my vote of confidence to Mary's capability as a mover and shaker in the humanitarian community, driven by not only her 12-years experience in the foreign service, but by her passion for our work here in the UNHCR and International Geneva. I am confident that Mary – a diplomat, lawyer, and as she proudly reminded me, a loving mother – will be an excellent Rapporteur.

I thank you, Madam Chair.