



CIRCULAR No. **002** /CPDM/NP OF **10 SEPT 2020**

THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

TO

- The Secretary General of the Central Committee;
- Militants of the CPDM, WCPDM and the YCPDM.

SUBJECT: *Nomination of CPDM candidates for the election of Regional Councillors on 6 December 2020.*

I. THE STAKES OF THE ELECTION

The first election of Regional Councillors in the contemporary history of our country shall take place on 6 December 2020. This is an exceptional moment in our shared destiny, which completes the setting up of institutions provided for in the Constitution of 18 January 1996.

The election of Regional Councillors is being held in a special context, in the wake of the Major National Dialogue organised from 30 September to 4 October 2019. It thus participates, on the one hand, in the completion of the decentralisation process, and on the other hand, in the consolidation of national unity and living together, in a **Cameroon that is one and indivisible, which assumes even better its diversity.**

The stakes of the election therefore place us at a crossroads and call for more patriotic, civic and citizen engagement, especially for those of our Comrades who will be nominated by the Party to defend its colours during the election.

This implies that candidates of the Cameroon People's Democratic Movement must be fully aware of the stakes of the elections. They are supposed to be **women, men and young people with proven political maturity, proven loyalty to the Party and its ideals, resolute defenders of the institutions and values of the Republic, foremost among which is the unity, peace and integrity of the national territory, but also, as much as possible, endowed with various and varied knowledge and skills required for the proper conduct of the affairs of the Region, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force.**

This Circular sets out the terms and procedures for the nomination of candidates of the Party to the regional elections on 6 December 2020.

II. CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

Giving that the electoral constituency for the election of Regional Councillors is the Division, nomination contestants shall file in, individually, their nomination documents with the competent divisional body of the Party. The criteria for nomination are as follows:

a) *with regard to the Law*

- the age of candidates: twenty-three (23), as at the date of the election;
- literacy: must know how to read and write French or English;
- proof of residence or domicile in the Region;
- compliance with the general conditions of eligibility.

b) *with regard to the Party*

- political career and militant commitment;
- contribution to the Party's influence;
- discipline;
- regular payment of dues;
- service to the Party;
- loyalty and morality ;
- respect for the ideals of unity and integrity of the national territory.

III. APPLICATION FILE

Each candidate shall submit to the competent divisional body of the Party, two individual application files, one **for ELECAM**, the other **for the Party**, made up as follows:

1. *for ELECAM*

Shall comprise of:

- a declaration of candidacy in triplicate, with legalised signatures;
- a copy of the candidate's birth certificate of less than three (3) months;
- a certificate of nationality;
- a criminal record form n°3 of less than three (3) months, and signed by the competent judicial authority;
- a statement on oath, duly signed;
- a certificate of taxation or tax exemption;
- a certificate of registration on an electoral list;
- a certificate of domicile or residence in the Region, issued by the competent authority;
- the original of the certificate of payment to the Public Treasury of the deposit of fifty thousand (50,000) CFA francs.

2. *for the Party*

Shall comprise of:

- the Party's nomination application form for the election of Regional Councillors, issued by the General Secretariat of the Central Committee, duly completed and signed by the applicant;
- a collective application form provided by the General Secretariat of the Central Committee;

IV. NOMINATION BODIES

The CPDM nomination bodies of candidates for the election of Regional Councillors are as follows:

- the National Nomination Committee;
- the Regional Control Committee;
- the Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis.

1. The National Nomination Committee

Set up and based at the headquarters of the Party and placed under the authority of the National President, the National Nomination Committee is responsible for coordinating and monitoring, on behalf of the Party, the nomination process of CPDM candidates for the election of Regional Councillors.

In this light:

- it supervises the lower Supervisory Committees in the process of selecting CPDM candidates for election of Regional Councillors;
- it examines all the documents transmitted by the Regional Control Committee and prepares the nomination file to be submitted to the National President.

The National Nomination Committee shall comprise of the following persons:

President:

- the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

Vice-Presidents:

- the Deputy Secretary-General of the Central Committee;
- the President of the WCPDM National Bureau;
- the Vice-President of the YCPDM National Bureau.

Members and Rapporteurs of the National Nomination Committee are appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

The National Nomination Committee shall have a Technical Secretariat whose organisation and composition shall be determined by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

2. The Regional Control Committee

Set up and based in the Regional Capital, the Regional Control Committee is responsible for:

- the control of individual application files to be submitted to ELECAM, transmitted by the Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis, and their onward transmission to the National Nomination Committee;
- the evaluation of the list of candidates proposed by the Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis and its transmission to the National Nomination Committee together with any observations that may be made.

The Regional Control Committee shall comprise of following persons:

President: a person, appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

Vice-Presidents:

- members of the Political Bureau of the jurisdiction;
- members of the Permanent Regional Delegation of the Central Committee.

Members:

- CPDM Senators of the jurisdiction;
- Officials and militants, appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

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President: a person, appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

Vice-Presidents:

- members of the Political Bureau of the jurisdiction;
- members of the Permanent Regional Delegation of the Central Committee.

Members:

- CPDM Senators of the jurisdiction;
- Officials and militants, appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

Chargés de Mission:

- Party officials appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

3. The Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis

The Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis, set up and based in the capital of each Division, is in responsible for:

- the reception of individual applications;
- the distribution of seats of Regional Councillors per CPDM section;
- the verification and analysis of applications;
- the evaluation of candidates;
- the preparation of the list of divisional candidates proposed for nomination by the Party, together with their observations;
- the transmission of the list of shortlisted candidates and the files of all registered candidates to the Regional Control Committee.

The Divisional Committee for Reception and Analysis shall comprise of the following persons:

President: a person appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

Vice-Presidents:

- members of the Central Committee of the jurisdiction;
- militants who are members of the Government and assimilated members from the jurisdiction;
- members of the Permanent Divisional Delegation of the Central Committee;

Members:

- members of the WCPDM and YCPDM National Bureaus from the jurisdiction;
- CPDM Members of Parliament from the jurisdiction;
- Presidents of the relevant CPDM, WCPDM and YCPDM Sections;
- CPDM Mayors from the jurisdiction;

Chargés de Mission:

- Party officials appointed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee.

I. FINAL PROVISIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS

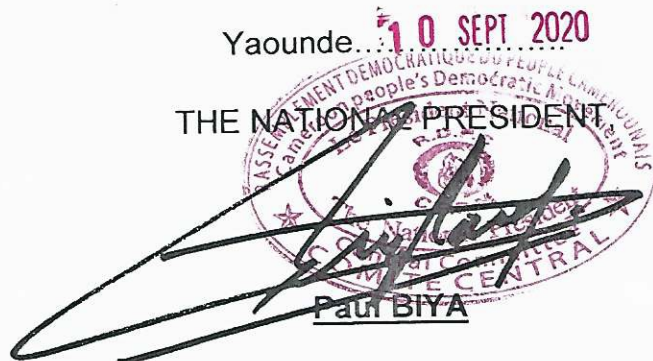
- A Note from the Secretary General of the Central Committee outlines the conditions of application of this Circular.
- With regard to the sharing options that contribute to the broadening of the support base of the CPDM, militants exercising the functions or mandates of: member of the Government and assimilated, President of the Consular Chamber, Senator, Deputy, Municipal Councillor, are not eligible for the nomination of the Party for the election of Regional Councillors.
- The certificate of nomination of the list of the Party's candidates is issued by the Secretary General of the Central Committee, President of The National Nomination Committee.

- Any militant who has been sanctioned by the Ad Hoc Disciplinary Committee of the Central Committee during the session held from 20 to 31 August 2020, cannot be member of any nomination Committee.
- The proposed lists of candidates sent to the National Nomination Committee by the Regional Control Committees and the Divisional Committees for Reception and Analysis must take into account gender equality, youth, the emergence of new figures and sociological representation.
- When the number of seats of Regional Councillors per Division is higher than the number of jurisdictions, the seats remaining after the equitable distribution shall be allocated with regard to the number of Municipal Councillors, performance of the Party during the municipal elections of 9 February 2020 and demography.
- Particular care must to be taken in the order of registration of candidates on the lists, with regard to the mixed single round ballot system, which includes a majority system and a proportional representation system.
- 3rd class traditional rulers who are militants, may seek the nomination of the Party as Divisional Delegates.
- No one shall be part of a Nomination Committee if he or she is a candidate for the election of Regional Councillor.

The Secretary General of the Central Committee is responsible for ensuring the strict application of the directives of this Circular. /-

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THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT



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