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Position Paper for electing new Secretary-General

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Today, the United Nations and the world are facing serious challenges. Syria crisis, climate change, North Korea's nuclear program, Africa wars, mass refugee and migrant, international terrorism and deepening religious intolerance are some.

The position of Secretary-General of the United Nations is probably the toughest of international executive roles, and it is therefore essential that we select the strongest possible candidate to take on these challenges. This position is one of great importance that requires the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, and proved lifelong commitment to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and deep experience in and support for the United Nations as an institution.

The candidate must be a charismatic person with proven leadership and managerial abilities, extensive experience in international relations, and strong diplomatic, communication and multilingual skills. A leader who articulate his own views to prioritize among the UN's confusing array of programs. A person who speaks from conviction when he or she argues for something. He, or she, must be someone with great international influence and authority, and who could come from very diverse backgrounds.

The world currently has fewer than 20 female heads of state and government, and women make up about a quarter of senior posts in the U.N. Secretariat. The New Zealand's goverment believes that it is time to elect a woman to lead the United Nations.the future secretary-general must Enjoy the Respect of the Developing World and also is familiar with civil society partners and Sustainable Development Goals as one of the most important issues in UN framework. A person with the ability to bridge divisions and take the hard decisions necessary for making the United Nations more effective.