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Research Report: The Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism

2015-A022 Amend Mandate and Membership of the Committee on Anti-Racism
Concurred as Amended

Current Text (11-13-2015):

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the mandate and membership for the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism is hereby amended to read as follows:

This Committee is charged with guiding and monitoring the Church's work in response to General Convention resolutions directed at eliminating the sin of racism from the life of the Church by:

Recognizing and developing its anti-racism work as a fundamental and requisite part of Christian formation; monitoring and evaluating anti-racism and anti-racism related ministries and programming of The Episcopal Church and, when feasible, contributing to the oversight and coordination of said ministries and programming; recommending best practices for eliminating racism; collecting data on provincial anti-racism activities to be submitted to Executive Council on an annual basis; developing criteria for the credentialing of certified anti-racism trainers; and monitoring compliance of anti-racism legislation passed by General Convention.

Membership of the Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism shall be composed of one person trained in anti-racism, named by the governing body of each province of this Church, plus one member of the Executive Council Joint Standing Committee on Advocacy and Networking for Mission and one Bishop.

(a) Each Committee member shall serve one triennium beginning January 1 in the year following each General Convention until the December 31 following the next General Convention. Members may be named to serve consecutive terms by their provinces.

(b) In the event that a province fails to name a person to serve on the Committee by the January 1, when each term begins, the Chair and Vice Chair of Executive Council shall appoint a qualified person from that province to serve on the Committee.

(c) The Chair and Vice Chair of Executive Council shall appoint the member from the Joint Standing Committee on Advocacy and Networking, and the Chair shall appoint the Bishop member.

(d) Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original members were named. Vacancies in excess of 30 days shall be filled by the Chair and Vice Chair of Executive Council, and in the case of a Bishop vacancy, by the Chair of Executive Council.

(e) To ensure representation of diverse racial and ethnic voices on this Committee, if there are no members named who are from the racial or ethnic groups of black, Latino/a, Asian, Native American/Indigenous, and non-Hispanic white, then the Chair and Vice Chair of Executive Council shall appoint a member at large from each unrepresented racial or ethnic group.