

CHAPTER X

THIRTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Divisions, Commissions and Working Groups

for the Triennium 2015–2018

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D C	Star Names	Eric E. Mamajek	
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