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# Annotated list of items included in the provisional agenda

# Note by the Secretariat

The following annotated list of the items contained in the provisional agenda for the twelfth session of the Assembly of States Parties ("the Assembly") to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/1) has been prepared to assist the Assembly in its consideration of issues before it at its twelfth session, which will be convened in The Hague, on Wednesday, 20 November 2013, at 10:00 a.m. The status of the documentation reflected herein is current as at 12 November 2013.

#### 1. **Opening of the session by the President**

In accordance with article 112, paragraph 6, of the Rome Statute, the Assembly meets once a year in regular session. In accordance with rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties ("Rules of Procedure"), the Assembly, at the 8th meeting of its eleventh session, on 21 November 2012, decided to convene its twelfth session in The Hague from 20 to 28 November 2013.<sup>2</sup>

#### 2. Silent prayer or meditation

Pursuant to rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure, immediately after the opening of the first plenary meeting and immediately preceding the closing of the final plenary meeting, the President shall invite the representatives to observe one minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation.

#### 3. Adoption of the agenda

Rules 10 to 13 and 18 to 22 of the Rules of Procedure concerning the agenda are applicable to regular sessions.

In accordance with rules 10 and 11 of the Rules of Procedure, the provisional agenda for the twelfth session was issued on 7 October 2013. In accordance with rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure, the agenda shall be submitted to the Assembly for approval as soon as possible after the opening of the session.

The Bureau, at its 1 November 2013 meeting, decided to propose the inclusion of an additional agenda item, pursuant to rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties, titled "Special segment as requested by the African Union: Indictment of sitting Heads of State and Government and its consequences on peace and stability and reconciliations." The Assembly will consider this agenda item in plenary session.

Documentation

Provisional agenda (ICC-ASP/12/1)

#### 4. States in arrears

According to article 112, paragraph 8, of the Rome Statute, "A State Party which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions towards the costs of the Court shall have no vote in the Assembly and in the Bureau if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years."

At its fourth session, the Assembly took note of the report of the Bureau on the arrears of States Parties<sup>3</sup> and the recommendations therein and invited the Bureau to report back to the fifth session of the Assembly on the status of arrears, including on suggestions, if necessary, of measures to promote the timely, full and unconditional payment of assessed contributions and advances towards the costs of the Court. Furthermore, the Assembly decided that requests for exemption under article 112, paragraph 8, of the Rome Statute, should be submitted by States Parties to the Secretariat of the Assembly at least one month before the session of the Committee on Budget and Finance ("the Committee"), so as to facilitate the Committee's review of the requests and that the Committee should advise the Assembly before the Assembly decided on any requests for exemption under article 112, paragraph 8, of the Rome Statute.<sup>4</sup>

At its fifth session, the Assembly renewed the appeal to States Parties in arrears to settle their accounts with the Court as soon as possible. In this connection, the Assembly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Official Records of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, First session, New York, 3-10 September 2002 (ICC-ASP/1/3 and Corr.1), part II.C. Official Records ... Tenth session ... 2011 (ICC-ASP/10/20), vol. I, part III, ICC-ASP/10/Res.5, para. 88.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Official Records ... Fourth session ... 2005 (ICC-ASP/4/32), part III, ICC-ASP/4/Res.4, paras. 40, 43 and 44.

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adopted resolution ICC-ASP/5/Res.3 containing recommendations setting out a specific procedure for requesting exemptions from the loss of voting rights<sup>5</sup> and decided that the Bureau should review on a regular basis the status of payments received throughout the financial year of the Court and consider additional measures to promote payments by States Parties, as appropriate.<sup>6</sup>

Documentation

Report of the Bureau on the arrears of States Parties (ICC-ASP/12/30)

#### 5. Credentials of representatives of States at the eleventh session

#### (a) Appointment of the Credentials Committee

Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties, provides that a Credentials Committee shall be appointed at the beginning of each session. It shall consist of representatives of nine States Parties, which shall be appointed by the Assembly on the proposal of the President.

# (b) Report of the Credentials Committee

Representation and credentials are regulated by rules 23 to 28 of the Rules of Procedure. In accordance with rule 24, the credentials of representatives of States Parties and the names of alternates and advisers shall be submitted to the Secretariat if possible not later than 24 hours after the opening of the session. The credentials shall be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by a person authorized by either of them.

Under rule 25, a Credentials Committee, consisting of representatives of nine States Parties to be appointed at the beginning of each session by the Assembly on the proposal of the President, shall examine the credentials of representatives of States Parties and report to the Assembly without delay.

### 6. Organization of work

The Assembly will consider and adopt a programme of work at the beginning of the session on the basis of a proposal by the Bureau.

#### 7. General debate

No documentation

## 8. Election to fill a judicial vacancy

In accordance with article 37, paragraph 1, of the Rome Statute, in the event of a vacancy, an election shall be held in accordance with article 36. Furthermore, other relevant provisions are included in resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6, as amended by resolution ICC-ASP/5/Res.5.

The Bureau of the Assembly decided, on 26 April 2013, to open the nomination period for the election to fill one judicial vacancy that resulted from the 18 March 2013 resignation of Judge Anthony Thomas Aquinas Carmona (Trinidad and Tobago).

Documentation

Report of the Advisory Committee on Nominations of Judges on the work of its first meeting (ICC-ASP/12/23)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Official Records ... Fifth session ... 2006 (ICC-ASP/5/32), part III, ICC-ASP/5/Res.3, annex III.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ibid., para. 42.

Election of judges to fill a judicial vacancy of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/45)

Election of a judge to fill a judicial vacancy of the International Criminal Court: guide for the election (ICC-ASP/12/46)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Nominations of Judges on the work of its second meeting (ICC-ASP/12/47)

## 9. Election of six members of the Committee on Budget and Finance

By its resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.4, the Assembly decided to establish a Committee on Budget and Finance. The Committee is composed of 12 members of different nationalities who shall be experts of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level from States Parties. They shall be elected by the Assembly for a term of office of three years on the basis of equitable geographical distribution.

On 12 February 2013, the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties ("the Assembly") decided that the election of six members of the Committee on Budget and Finance would take place at the twelfth session of the Assembly. Pursuant to the decision, the nomination period for the candidates for six seats on the Committee on Budget and Finance ran from 22 May to 13 August 2013.

The distribution of seats among the regional groups for the purpose of the first election was established in paragraph 8 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5 as follows:

- Two seats for the Group of African States;
- Two seats for the Group of Asian States;
- Two seats for the Group of Eastern European States;
- Two seats for the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and
- Four seats for the Group of Western European and Other States.

The six members whose terms of office end on 20 April 2014 belong to the following regional groups:

- African States, one seat;
- Eastern European States, one seat;
- Latin American and Caribbean States, one seat; and
- Western European and Other States, three seats.

By the closing date of the nomination period, 13 August 2013, seven nominations had been received. Of the seven nominations, two were submitted by the Group of African States; one by the Group of Eastern European States; one by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and three by the Group of Western European and Other States.

#### Documentation

Election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance (ICC-ASP/12/25)

### 10. Report on the activities of the Bureau

In accordance with article 112, paragraph 2(c), of the Rome Statute, the Assembly shall consider the reports and activities of the Bureau and take appropriate action in that regard.

#### **Documentation**

Report of the Bureau on the Plan of action for achieving universality and full implementation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/26)

Report of the Bureau on the Independent Oversight Mechanism (ICC-ASP/12/27)

Report of the Bureau on legal aid (ICC-ASP/12/29)

Report of the Bureau on complementarity (ICC-ASP/12/31)

Report of the Bureau on the arrears of States Parties (ICC-ASP/12/30)

Report of the Court on complementarity (ICC-ASP/12/32)

Report of the Secretariat on complementarity (ICC-ASP/12/31)

Report of the Bureau on non-cooperation (ICC-ASP/12/34)

Report of the Bureau on cooperation (ICC-ASP/12/36)

Report of the Bureau on the Study Group on Governance (ICC-ASP/12/37)

Study Group on Governance: Lessons learned: Second report of the Court to the Assembly of States Parties (ICC-ASP/12/37/Add.1)

Report of the Bureau on victims and affected communities and Trust Fund for Victims including reparations and intermediaries (ICC-ASP/12/38)

Report of the Bureau on the strategic planning process of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/48)

Report of the Bureau on equitable geographical representation and gender balance in the recruitment of staff of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/49)

Report of the Bureau on Salary and all allowances for judges, whose terms have been extended in accordance with article 36, paragraph 10 (ICC-ASP/12/56)

### 11. Report on the activities of the Court

Under article 112, paragraph 2(b), of the Rome Statute, the Assembly shall provide management oversight to the Presidency, the Prosecutor and the Registrar regarding the administration of the Court. In accordance with article 112, paragraph 5, of the Rome Statute, the President of the Court, the Prosecutor and the Registrar or their representatives may participate in meetings of the Assembly. As provided in rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure, they may make oral or written statements and provide information on any question under consideration. Accordingly, the President of the Court will present a report on the activities of the Court since the previous session of the Assembly.

#### Documentation

Report on the activities of the Court (ICC-ASP/12/28)

### 12. Report of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims

By its resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.6,<sup>7</sup> the Assembly established a Trust Fund for the benefit of victims of crimes within the jurisdiction of the Court, and of the families of such victims, as well as a Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for the benefit of victims.

In accordance with paragraph 11 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.6, the Board shall report annually to the Assembly on the activities and projects of the Fund and on all offered voluntary contributions, regardless of whether they were accepted or refused.

#### Documentation

Report to the Assembly of States Parties on the activities and projects of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims for the period 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 (ICC-ASP/12/14)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Official Records ... First session, New York, 3-10 September 2002 (ICC-ASP/1/3 and Corr.1), part IV.

### 13. Consideration and adoption of the budget for the twelfth financial year

In accordance with article 112, paragraph 2(d), of the Rome Statute, the Assembly shall consider and decide on the budget of the Court.

Regulation 3 of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the Court provides that the Registrar shall prepare the proposed programme budget for each financial period and submit it to the States Parties as well as to the Committee on Budget and Finance for consideration. The Committee shall make the relevant recommendations to the Assembly.

At its third session, the Assembly endorsed the recommendation of the Committee that the Court should include in future performance reports data on financial performance and results achieved rather than outputs. This information should be submitted annually to the Assembly through the Committee either in the draft programme budget or in a separate performance report. 8

#### Documentation

Registry's first quarterly report on monitoring and assessing the implementation performance of legal aid (ICC-ASP/12/2)

Registry's single policy document on the Court's legal aid system (ICC-ASP/12/3)

Report of the Committee on Budget and Finance on the work of its twentieth session (ICC-ASP/12/5/Rev.1)

Report of the Court on human resources management (ICC-ASP/12/6)

Report of the Court on its Working Capital Fund (ICC-ASP/12/7)

Report on activities and programme performance of the International Criminal Court for the year 2012 (ICC-ASP/12/9)

Proposed Programme Budget for 2013 of the International Criminal Court (ICC-ASP/12/10)

Report of the Court on the impact of measures to bring the level of the International Criminal Court's budget for 2014 in line with the level of the 2013 approved budget (ICC-ASP/12/11)

Financial statements for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2012 (ICC-ASP/12/12)

Trust Fund for Victims: Financial statements for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2012 (ICC-ASP/12/13)

Report of the Committee on Budget and Finance on the work of its twenty-first session (ICC-ASP/12/15)

Eighth Status Report on the Court's progress regarding efficiency measures (ICC-ASP/12/16)

Report of the Court on the assessment and review of asset replacement and write-off policies (ICC-ASP/12/17)

Report of the Court on the amendments to the Financial Regulations and Rules necessitated by IPSAS implementation (ICC-ASP/12/18)

Review of Asset Replacement Policy (ICC-ASP/12/19)

Report of the Registry on the comprehensive review of the legal aid system of the Court (ICC-ASP/12/21)

Concept paper of the Court on multi-year project funding (ICC-ASP/12/22)

Report on budget performance of the International Criminal Court as at 30 June 2013 (ICC-ASP/12/24)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Official Records ... Third session ... 2004 (ICC-ASP/3/25), part II.A.8(b), para. 50, and part II.A.1, para. 4.

Registry's second quarterly report on monitoring and assessing the implementation performance of legal aid (ICC-ASP/12/50)

Third quarterly report of the Registry on monitoring and assessing the implementation performance of legal aid from the time the amendments came into force to the end of August 2013 (ICC-ASP/12/51)

Refined report of the Court on Junior Professional Officer programme (JPO) (ICC-ASP/12/52)

Second report of the Court on the financial implications of the draft guidelines governing the relations between the Court and Intermediaries (ICC-ASP/12/53)

Report of the Court on its current lease agreements for the interim premises (ICC-ASP/12/54)

# 14. Consideration of the audit reports

Regulation 12 of the Financial Regulations and Rules provides that the Assembly shall appoint an Auditor to conduct audits in conformity with generally accepted common auditing standards, subject to any special directions of the Assembly and in accordance with the additional terms of reference set out in the annex to the Financial Regulations and Rules. At the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of its first session, on 22 April 2003, the Assembly was informed that the Bureau, acting under the delegated authority of the Assembly, had appointed the National Audit Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as Auditor for the Court for a period of four years. 10

In accordance with regulation 12.7, the Auditor shall issue a report on the audit of the financial statements and relevant schedules relating to the accounts for the financial period. In accordance with regulations 12.8 and 12.9, audit reports, before their submission to the Assembly, are subject to examination by the Registrar and the Committee on Budget and Finance. The Assembly considers and approves the financial statements and audit reports forwarded to it by the Committee.

At its tenth session, the Assembly endorsed the Committee's recommendation to appoint *la Cour des comptes* (France) as the new External Auditor of the International Criminal Court and the Trust Fund for Victims for four years starting with the financial year 2012.<sup>11</sup>

### Documentation

Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December 2012 (ICC-ASP/12/12)

Trust Fund for Victims - Financial statements for the period 1 January to 31 December 2012 (ICC-ASP/12/13)

## 15. Premises of the Court

At its sixth session, the Assembly adopted resolution ICC-ASP/6/Res.1, whereby it, inter alia, decided that the permanent premises of the Court should be constructed on the Alexanderkazerne site. Furthermore, the Assembly established an Oversight Committee, composed of ten States Parties, to provide strategic oversight for the permanent premises project in accordance with annex II of that resolution.<sup>12</sup>

Annex II of that resolution also provides, inter alia, that the Oversight Committee shall submit any draft resolutions or information to the Assembly through the Bureau and provides that the Chairperson of the Oversight Committee shall report to the Assembly.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Official Records ... First session, New York, 3-10 September 2002 (ICC-ASP/1/3 and Corr.1), part I, para. 29.

<sup>10</sup> Official Records... First session (first and second resumptions) ... 2003 (ICC-ASP/1/3/Add.1), part I, para. 40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Official Records ... Tenth session ... 2011 (ICC-ASP/10/20), vol. I, part II, para. 10.

<sup>12</sup> Official Records ... Sixth session ... 2007 (ICC-ASP/6/20), vol. I, part. III, ICC-ASP/6/Res.1, paras. 1 and 4.

At its eleventh session, the Assembly adopted resolution ICC-ASP/11/Res.3, whereby it welcomed the beginning of the construction stage of the project and the fact that the project continued to remain within the  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\ensuremath{6}}}\mbox{\ensuremath{6}}\mbox{\ensurem$ 

Before the twelfth Assembly, the Oversight Committee has revised, in agreement with the Court, the governance of the project, so as to ensure that the transition project aligns with the construction project. In this regard, the Committee is proposing that the Assembly approve the establishment of a cost envelope which represents the unified financial target for the overall project. The Committee is also proposing to the Assembly a funding mechanism for ensuring that no further resources are requested from States Parties for project, and in relation to the transition costs, which includes a use of surplus pertinent to financial years 2012, 2013 and 2014. The proposal to use surplus requires changes to the Court's Financial Regulations and Rules, which the Assembly would approve. In addition, the Assembly would elect the 10 members of the Oversight Committee for a two-year term commencing on 21 December 2013, pursuant to resolution ICC-ASP/6/Res.1. 13

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Report on the activities of the Oversight Committee (ICC-ASP/12/43)

### 16. Independent Oversight Mechanism

At its eighth session, by resolution ICC-ASP/8/Res.1, the Assembly established the Independent Oversight Mechanism in accordance with article 112, paragraph 4, of the Rome Statute. It was decided that the independent professional investigative capacity would be implemented immediately, while the inspection and evaluation elements would be brought into operation subject to a later decision of the Assembly.

At its ninth session, by resolution ICC-ASP/9/Res.5, the Assembly decided that the investigative function of the Independent Oversight Mechanism shall operate in accordance with the provisions in the appendix to that resolution ("the Operational Mandate"), and decided further that the Bureau would prepare a report on the operationalization of the investigative function of the Independent Oversight Mechanism and the operation of the inspection and evaluation functions within the oversight mechanism, including the terms of reference and related financial implications, with a view to a decision on its adoption at the eleventh session of the Assembly.

At its tenth session, the Assembly decided to continue discussions on the Independent Oversight Mechanism in close consultation with the organs of the Court, fully respecting the provisions in the Rome Statute regarding judicial and prosecutorial independence and the management oversight of the Assembly of States Parties, including articles 40, 42 and 112, with a view for the Bureau to submit, to the eleventh session of the Assembly, a comprehensive proposal that would make possible the full operationalization of the Independent Oversight Mechanism. It further invited the Independent Oversight Mechanism, working in close consultation with the organs of the Court, Staff Union Council and States Parties, to develop an anti-retaliation/whistleblower policy, with a view to its adoption by the Court at the earliest time possible. <sup>14</sup>

At its eleventh session, the Assembly decided to continue discussions on the Independent Oversight Mechanism, fully respecting the provisions of the Rome Statute regarding judicial and prosecutorial independence and the management oversight of the Assembly, including articles 40, 42 and 112, with a view to the Bureau submitting to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> *Ibid.* Part III, ICC-ASP/6/Res.1, annex, para. 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Official Records ... Tenth session ... 2011 (ICC-ASP/10/20), vol. I, part III, ICC-ASP/10/Res.5, paras. 66 – 67.

twelfth session a comprehensive proposal that would make possible the full operationalization of the IOM. 15

#### **Documentation**

Report of the Court on its Anti-Fraud and Whistleblower Policies (ICC-ASP/12/8)

Report of the Bureau on the Independent Oversight Mechanism (ICC-ASP/12/27)

Consolidated report of the Independent Oversight Mechanism on its activities during 2013 (ICC-ASP/12/55)

# 17. Amendments to the Rome Statute and the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

By resolution ICC-ASP/8/Res.6, the Assembly established a Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties for the purpose of considering, as from its ninth session, amendments to the Rome Statute proposed in accordance with article 121, paragraph 1, of the Statute at its eighth session, <sup>16</sup> as well as any other possible amendments to the Rome Statute and to the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, with a view to identifying amendments to be adopted in accordance with the Rome Statute and the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties.

The judges of the Court, acting pursuant to article 51, paragraph 2 (b) of the Rome Statute, have proposed amendments to rule 100 and rule 68 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence. The Assembly, following consultations with the Study Group on Governance of the Bureau and the Working Group on Amendments, is invited to adopt these amendments.

The Working Group may also submit an addendum to its report which would include additional proposals submitted in the period immediately before the opening of the twelfth session.

#### Documentation

Report of the Bureau on the Study Group on Governance (ICC-ASP/12/37)

Study Group on Governance: Lessons learned: Second report of the Court to the Assembly of States Parties (ICC-ASP/12/37/Add.1)

Report of the Working Group on Amendments (ICC-ASP/12/44)

### 18. Cooperation

By resolution ICC-ASP/11/Res.5, the Assembly requested the Bureau to establish a facilitation of the Assembly of States Parties for cooperation to consult with States Parties, the Court and non-governmental organizations, as well as other interested States and relevant organizations in order to further strengthen cooperation with the Court. It also decided that the Assembly shall continue to monitor cooperation with a view to facilitating States Parties in sharing their experiences and considering other initiatives to enhance cooperation and, to this end, decided that the Assembly will include a specific item on cooperation on the agenda of its twelfth session.<sup>17</sup>

On Friday, 22 November 2013, the Assembly will hold a panel discussion in plenary session to consider the topic of cooperation, with a specific focus on witness protection.

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Report of the Court on cooperation (ICC-ASP/12/35)

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<sup>15</sup> Official Records...eleventh session...2012 (ICC-ASP/11/20), vol. I, part III, ICC-ASP/11/Res.4, para.3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Official Records ... Eighth session ... 2009 (ICC-ASP/8/20), vol. I, annex II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Official Records ... Eleventh session ... 2011 (ICC-ASP/11/20), vol. I, part III, ICC-ASP/11/Res.5, paras. 23-24.

Report of the Bureau on cooperation (ICC-ASP/12/36)

Summary of the Arusha seminar on witness protection (ICC-ASP/12/36/Add.1)

Report of the Court on the status of ongoing cooperation between the International Criminal Court and the United Nations, including in the field (ICC-ASP/12/42)

# 19. The impact of the Rome Statute system on victims and affected communities

At its eleventh session, the Assembly noted the on-going work of the Court in reviewing its Strategy in relation to victims and its report thereon and requested the Court to finalize the review in consultation with States Parties and other relevant stakeholders and report thereon in advance of the Assembly at its twelfth session. Furthermore, it noted with concern reports from the Court on the continued backlogs the Court has had in processing applications from victims seeking to participate, a situation which might impact on effective implementation of the rights of victims under the Rome Statute, and underlined the need to consider reviewing the victim participation system with a view to ensuring its sustainability, effectiveness and efficiency and requested the Bureau to continue consulting with the Court to conduct such a review in close consultation with the Bureau and relevant stakeholders and to report thereon to the Assembly at its twelfth session.

The Assembly also took note with appreciation of all efforts to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of victim participation, including in particular by encouraging a more collective approach and requested the Bureau to prepare, in consultation with the Court, any amendments to the legal framework for the implementation of a predominantly collective approach in the system for victims to apply to participate in the proceedings, and invited the Bureau to report to the Assembly at its twelfth session on any appropriate measures.

The Assembly further took note of the decision of Trial Chamber I establishing the principles and procedures for reparations in the case against Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, dated 7 August 2012, recalled the need for the Court to ensure that coherent principles relating to reparations continue to be established in accordance with article 75, paragraph 1, of the Rome Statute and further requested the Court to report back to the Assembly at its twelfth session.

In addition, the Assembly recalled that the declaration of indigence of the accused for the purpose of legal aid bears no relevance to the ability of the convicted person to provide reparations, which is a matter for judicial decision in each particular case, and further requested the Court to review this matter and to report to the Assembly at its twelfth session.

Furthermore, the Assembly decided to include a specific item on victims and affected communities on the agenda of its twelfth session. On 22 November 2013, in the morning, the Assembly will hold a panel discussion in plenary session to consider the topic "Beyond Kampala: reaffirming the value of the victims' mandate of the Rome Statute system".

#### Documentation

Report of the Bureau on victims and affected communities and the Trust Fund for Victims, including reparations and intermediaries (ICC-ASP/12/38)

Report of the Court on principles relating to victims' reparations (ICC-ASP/12/39)

Report of the Court on the criteria for the determination of disposable means relating to reparations (ICC-ASP/12/40)

Report of the Court on the implementation in 2013 of the strategy in relation to victims (ICC-ASP/12/41)

# 20. Decision concerning the date of the next session of the Assembly of States Parties

In accordance with rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure, the date of commencement and the duration of each session of the Assembly shall be decided by the Assembly at its previous session. At its tenth session, the Assembly decided to hold its eleventh session in The Hague from 14 to 22 November 2012 and to hold its twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sessions in The Hague and in New York, alternately. At its eleventh session, the Assembly decided to hold its twelfth session in The Hague from 20 - 28 November 2013. <sup>18</sup>

# 21. Decisions concerning the dates and venue of the next sessions of the Committee on Budget and Finance

In accordance with paragraph 4 of the annex to resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.4, the Committee on Budget and Finance shall meet when required and at least once per year. At its twenty-first session, the Committee decided, tentatively, to hold its twenty-second session from 28 April to 2 May 2014 and its twenty-third session from 7 to 17 October 2014, respectively.<sup>19</sup>

### 22. Other matters

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, part III, ICC-ASP/11/Res.8, para. 95.

<sup>19</sup> ICC-ASP/12/15, para. 152.

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