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Election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance

Note by the Secretariat

1. On 20 February 2017, 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 sixteenth session of the Assembly, to be held at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 4 to 14 December 2017. The nomination period for the candidates for six seats on the Committee on Budget and Finance ran from 5 June to 27 August 2017 (Central European Time).
2. The Committee on Budget and Finance was established by the Assembly in its resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.4 of 3 September 2002. The terms of reference of the Committee are set out in the annex to the resolution. Paragraph 2 of the annex to that resolution was amended by the Assembly in its resolution ICC-ASP/2/Res.5 of 12 September 2003.
3. The procedure for the nomination and election of the members of the Committee was set out by the Assembly in its resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5. Paragraph 15 of that resolution was amended by resolution ICC-ASP/2/Res.4 of 12 September 2003. In accordance with paragraph 6 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5, each nomination shall specify how the candidate fulfils the requirements laid down in paragraph 2 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.4, i.e. to be an expert of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level from a State Party.
4. 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:
 - (a) Two seats for the Group of African States;
 - (b) Two seats for the Group of Asian States;
 - (c) Two seats for the Group of Eastern European States;
 - (d) Two seats for the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States; and
 - (e) Four seats for the Group of Western European and Other States.
5. The six members whose terms of office end on 20 April 2018 belong to the following regional groups:
 - (a) African States, one seat;
 - (b) Asia-Pacific States, two seats
 - (c) Eastern European States, one seat;
 - (d) Latin American and Caribbean States, one seat; and

(e) Western European and Other States, one seat.

6. As required by paragraph 9 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5, every effort shall be made to elect the members of the Committee by consensus, on the basis of a recommendation by the Bureau. Under paragraph 10, in the absence of a consensus, the election shall be a matter of substance, and subject to the requirements of article 112, paragraph 7 (a), of the Rome Statute, which provides as follows:

“7. Each State Party shall have one vote. Every effort shall be made to reach decisions by consensus in the Assembly and in the Bureau. If consensus cannot be reached, except as otherwise provided in the Statute:

(a) Decisions on matters of substance must be approved by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting provided that an absolute majority of States Parties constitutes the quorum for voting.”

7. In accordance with paragraph 11 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5, the election shall be by secret ballot. However, this requirement may be dispensed with if the number of candidates corresponds to the number of seats to be filled or in respect of candidates endorsed by the respective regional groups, unless a delegation specifically requests a vote on a given election.

8. Under paragraph 12 of the resolution, the persons elected shall be those candidates from each regional group who obtained the highest number of votes and a two-thirds majority of States Parties present and voting, provided that an absolute majority of the States Parties constitutes the quorum for voting.

9. By the closing date of the nomination period, including three extensions thereof, i.e. on 8 October 2017, eight nominations had been received.

10. Of the eight nominations, one was submitted by the Group of African States, three by the Group of Asia-Pacific States, one by the Group of Eastern European States, one by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, and two by the Group of Western European and other States Group.

11. In accordance with paragraph 7 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.5, a list in the English alphabetical order of all persons nominated, with accompanying documents, is contained in the annex to the present note.

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1. Abuel, Janet Braganza (Philippines)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute and, with reference to ICC-ASP/16/SP/08 dated 07 March 2017, is pleased to inform the Secretariat of the Assembly and the States Parties to the Rome Statute that the Republic of the Philippines is nominating Ms. Janet Braganza Abuel, Undersecretary (Deputy Minister) of the Philippines' Department of Budget and Management (DBM) as candidate to the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court.

Ms. Abuel fulfills the requirements of paragraphs 2 of the annex to the resolution establishing the Committee on Budget and Finance (ICC-ASP/1/Res.4):

(a) She will be the first nominee of the Philippines to the Committee on Budget and Finance;

(b) She is an expert of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level:

(i) She is a lawyer and a certified public accountant. She has twenty (20) years of experience in public financial management, coupled with the knowledge and skills she acquired pertaining to organizational management and development, financial management, and procurement management;

(ii) She is currently the Undersecretary (Deputy Minister) of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) for Local Government and Regional Operations Group. Prior to her appointment as Undersecretary, she has held various capacities as head of DBM's Corporate Affairs Group and as head of the Legal Service and one of the regional offices. She has also been designated as Officer-in-Charge of the DBM on several occasions; and

(iii) She holds the degrees of Master in Public Policy, Bachelor of Laws, and Bachelor of Science in Commerce Major in Accounting.

(c) She is able and willing to carry out her duties for three calendar years; and

(d) Attached is the curriculum vitae of Ms. Janet B. Abuel.

Statement of qualifications

Personal details

Date of birth: 13 March 1971

Place of birth: Dagupan City, Pangasinan, Philippines

Civil status: Single

Academic background

- Elementary (1978-1983), Dominican School, Dagupan City, Pangasinan, Philippines.
- Secondary (1983-1987), Dominican School, Dagupan City, Pangasinan, Philippines
- College (1987-1991), Saint Louis University, Baguio City, Philippines; Degree earned: Bachelor of Science in Commerce Major in Accounting.
- Post Graduate (1994-1998), Baguio Colleges Foundation, Baguio City, Philippines; Degree earned: Bachelor of Laws.

- Post Graduate (June 2004 - December 2005), Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy – National University of Singapore (under scholarship), Singapore; Degree earned: Master in Public Policy.
- Post Graduate (23-28 March 2014), Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Executive Education (sponsored by USAID), Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.A.; Awarded a Certificate of Completion.

Professional background

- Undersecretary, 19 March 2015-present, Department of Budget and Management, Central Office.
- Assistant Secretary, 1 July 2012-18 March 2015, Department of Budget and Management, Central Office.
- Director IV, 4 March 2002 - 30 June 2012, Department of Budget and Management, Regional Office I, Government Center, Sevilla, City of San Fernando, La Union.
- Director IV, 13 August 1999 - 3 March 2002, Department of Budget and Management, Central Office, Legal and Legislative Service.
- Senior Budget Specialist, 9 July 1999 - 12 August 1999, Department of Budget and Management, Regional Office, Cordillera Administrative Region, Baguio City.
- Budget Specialist II, 16 February 1998 - 8 July 1999, Department of Budget and Management, Regional Office, Cordillera Administrative Region, Baguio City.
- Budget Analyst, 11 November 1996 - 15 February 1998, Department of Budget and Management, Regional Office, Cordillera Administrative Region, Baguio City.
- Accountant, January 1996 - October 1996, Sto. Niño Jesus Medical Center, Baguio City.
- Accounting Clerk, February 1995 - June 1995, HDMF, Baguio Sub-Regional Office, Baguio City.
- New Accounts Clerk, February 1993 - June 1994, BPI Family Bank, Main Branch, Makati City

Other

- Part-time Instructor June 1999-2000 University of the Cordilleras, (formerly Baguio Colleges Foundation), College of Law, Baguio City, Philippines.
- Author, Bar Review Methods and Techniques (Handbook), 2003 Edition published by Rex Bookstore.

Eligibilities

- Certified Public Accountant.
- Lawyer (Bar Topnotcher [1st placer] with 91.80% rating, 1998 Bar Examinations).
- Career Executive Service Officer II.

Some significant training/seminars/activities

- Roll-Out Training on the Budget Operations Manual for Local Government Units, 2016 Edition; Lecturer on Budget Authorization and Review.
- Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT) Strategic Planning Meeting and Presentation of the Guide on Principles and Mechanisms of Public Participation in Fiscal Policies on 28-29 September 2016 held in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., sponsored by GIFT; Philippine Representative.

- High Level Dialogue on Fiscal Transparency Meeting on 15 April 2016 held in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., sponsored by the International Budget Partnership (IBP); Philippine Representative.
- Open Government Partnership Mexico Summit and Fiscal Openness Working Group Workshop on 27-31 October 2015 held in Mexico City, Mexico, sponsored by GIFT and IBP; Philippine Representative.
- Fiscal Openness Working Group Asia Pacific Workshop on 17-18 September 2015 held in Marco Polo Ortigas, Manila, Philippines, sponsored by the DBM, OGP, GIFT, and IBP; Philippine Representative.
- Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT): Lead Stewards Meeting on 9 February 2015 held in Washington, D.C., U.S.A, sponsored by the GIFT; Philippine Representative.
- 10th Asian Senior Budget Officers' Meeting on 18-19 December 2014 held in Bangkok, Thailand, sponsored by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); Philippine Representative and Presenter of Philippine Experience on PFM Reforms.
- MOSF-KDI-IMF-WB International Conference on Strengthening the Management of Public Investment: Korean and International Experiences on 30-31 October 2014 held in Seoul, South Korea, sponsored by MOSF-KDI-IMF-WB; Presenter of Philippine Experience.
- Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT): 2nd Workshop in Public Participation and Engagement in Fiscal Decision-Making on 5-9 October 2014 held in Washington, D.C., U.S.A, sponsored by the GIFT; Philippine Representative.
- Open Government Partnership (OGP) Working Level – Steering Committee Meeting on 9-13 July 2013 held in London; Philippine Representative.
- Regional Conference on Use of Procurement Agents in Public Procurement on 6-7 September 2012 held in Beijing, China, sponsored by the Asian Development Bank; Member of the Delegation and presenter of Philippine Situation.
- Seminar on Design Sequencing and Implementation of PFM Reforms on 9-13 July 2012 held in Singapore, sponsored by the International Monetary Fund – Singapore Regional Training Institute; Member of the Delegation.
- Philippine Government Study Tour to Indonesia on Intergovernmental Transfers and Performance Incentives for Local Governments on 20-25 November 2011, sponsored by the World Bank; Member of the Delegation.
- Roll-Out Training on the Budget Operations Manual for Local Government Units, 2008 Edition; Member of the Task Force that drafted the Manual, and Lecturer.
- Roll-Out Training on Republic Act No. 9184 (the Government Procurement Reform Act) and its Implementing Rules and Regulations; Accredited Trainer.
- Roll-Out Training on the Budget and Operations Manual for Barangays, 2006 Edition; Lecturer on Budget Authorization and Review.
- Technical Workshop on Challenges in Implementing Public Procurement Law and a Way Forward – Nepal Government on 28-29 May 2007 held in Kathmandu, Nepal, sponsored by the Government of Nepal, the World Bank, and Asian Development Bank; Participated as Speaker on Philippine Experience.
- First Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Senior Officials Meeting on 16-19 February 2001 held in Beijing, China, sponsored by the APEC and the DBM; Participated as Government Representative in the Government Procurement Experts Group Meeting.

2. Eiken Holmgren, Ingrid (Sweden)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of Sweden presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and has the honour, in reference to the Secretariat's note ICC-ASP/16/SP/51 of 25 September 2017, to inform that the Government of Sweden has decided to present the candidature of Ms. Ingrid Eiken Holmgren for election to the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court, at the elections to be held during the sixteenth session of the Assembly of State Parties in New York in December 2017.

Ms. Eiken Holmgren has extensive professional experience in areas pertinent to the work of the Committee on Budget and Finance. She has long experience in leading positions within the Swedish Government and national authorities, including specifically in the areas of finance, budget and audit. She has broad experience of Nordic, European Union, and international cooperation. During the past six years, she has been within the private sector, as CEO, and with several board memberships, including in non-profit organizations with a humanitarian focus.

An economist by profession, Ms. Eiken Holmberg served in the Budget Department of the Swedish Ministry of Finance as a Chief Operating Officer of analysis and budget negotiations between 1987 and 1992, as well as between 1994 and 1999, in total seven years.

From 1992 to 1994, Ms. Eiken Holmberg worked as an economist at the International Monetary Fund, in Washington D.C., United States of America.

From 1999 to 2001, Ms. Eiken Holmberg was the head of, and responsible for, the finance and budget of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the European Union (more commonly known as the EU Presidency), a presidency which had a budget of approximately 95 million euros.

From 2001 to 2006, Ms. Eiken Holmberg served as a Deputy Director General in the Prime Minister's Office and as Head of the Government Offices Internal Audit.

From 2006 to 2012, Ms. Eiken Holmberg was State Secretary in the Ministry of Culture, Media and Sports.

Since 2012, she has been the CEO of Mäklarsamfundet, the umbrella organization for Swedish real estate agents.

Additionally, Ms. Eiken Holmberg has, over the years, fulfilled several missions as Special Advisor and Expert to governmental committees and inquiries, as well as consultations for various boards and committees, such as the World Exhibition to Shanghai and the Swedish Parasports Federation.

A curriculum vitae in English is attached to this note.

Statement of qualifications

VD Association of Swedish Real Estate Agents

Personal details

Year and place of birth: 1962, Stockholm, Sweden
Civil status: Married, three adult children.

Educational qualifications

- Degree in Economics, Stockholm University, 1985.

- Additional studies in Psychology and Business.
- Holds a certificate/diploma from the International Monetary Fund Institute in Washington, DC, United States.
- Certificate from MBES in Board of Directors training.

Professional experience

- Long experience from various leading positions within the Swedish Government and State Agencies, including budget and audit areas.
- Experience from Nordic-, EU- and International Cooperation.
- Has over the past six years been engaged in the private sector as CEO, with multiple board positions, some of which are civil, nonprofit, organizations with a humanitarian focus.

Present positions and commitments

- 2012: CEO, Association of Swedish Real Estate Agents.
- 2014: Board positions Svensk Mäklarstatistik AB (Chairman): Member of Board in Insuresec AB, Mäklarsamfundet System i Sverige AB, Stockholms Stadsmission and in the SNS Förtroenderåd.

Earlier positions and commitments

- 2012-17: Hemnet AB (Chairman 2014-17, Member of Board 2012-14).
- 2014-16: CEO, Mäklarsamfundet System i Sverige AB, (Corporate daughter).
- 2006-12: State Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Media and Sports.
- 2001-06: Deputy Director-General, Prime Minister's Office, Head of the Government Offices Internal Audit.
- 1999-01 Head of Finance and Budget for the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2001, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 1994-99 Budget Department, Ministry of Finance, Chief Operating Officer of Analysis and Budget Negotiations (various areas).
- 1992-94 Economist, International Monetary Fund, Washington D.C., USA, Fiscal Affairs Department.
- 1987-92 Budget Department, Ministry of Finance, Chief Operating Officer of Analysis and Budget Negotiations (various areas).
- 1985-87 Swedish Agency for Public Management. Commissioner and Office Director.
- 1983-85 The National Institute for Economic Research, Economist, Stockholm University, student counsellor and seminar leader.

Additional information

Several missions as a Special Advisor and Expert to governmental committees and inquiries, as well as previous consultations for various boards and committees, e.g. the World Exhibition to Shanghai, the Swedish Parasports Federation, and assorted organizations.

3. Gharaibeh, Fawzi (Jordan)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, and has the honour to inform the esteemed Secretariat of the Assembly of State Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court that the Government of Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan has decided to nominate H.E. Dr. Fawzi Gharaibeh as a candidate for re-election to the Committee on the Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court.

Dr. Gharaibeh has an extensive experience and recognized standing in financial matters at the national and international levels. Such experience and expertise is outlined in Dr. Gharaibeh's curriculum vitae attached herewith.

Statement of qualifications

Personal data

Place of Birth: Jordan
 Date of Birth: 1943
 Citizenship: Jordanian
 Marital Status: Married with three children
 Languages: Arabic (mother tongue), English, French (not fluent)

Education

1972 Ph.D. (Business Administration), University of Wisconsin (U.S.A.)
 1968 MBA, Texas Tech. University (U.S.A.)
 1965 B. Com. (Honors), Cairo University (Egypt)

Current position

Professor Emeritus, The University of Jordan.

Previous positions

2009-2014: Founder and President, A' Sharqiyah University, Sultanate of Oman.
 2012-2013: Chairman, Board of Trustees, Jordan University of Science and Technology.
 1999-2000: Chairman, Board of Directors, Phosphate and Mining Corporation, Jordan
 1998-1999: Minister of Education, Jordan.
 1991-1998: President, The University of Jordan.
 1986-1990: Vice-President, The University of Jordan.
 1983-1986: Dean, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, The University of Jordan.

Academic titles

1981: Professor, the University of Jordan.

- 1976-1981: Associate Professor, The University of Jordan, Jordan.
- 1972-1976: Assistant Professor, the University of Jordan.
- 1978-1979: Visiting Scholar, LBJ School of Public Affairs, the University of Texas at Austin. U.S.A.
- 1978: Visiting Scholar (Summer), Portland State University, U.S.A.

Memberships (select)

- 2006-2009: Member, Board of Trustees, Balqa University, Jordan.
- 2006-2009: Member, Advisory Board, Graduate School of Business Administration, The Jordanian German University.
- Since 2003: Member, Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court, The Hague, The Netherlands.
- 2003-2009: Member, Royal Scientific Society, Jordan.
- Since 2003: Member, Board of Trustees, King Hussein Foundation, Jordan.
- 2003-2006: Member, Board of Trustees, Jordan University of Science and Technology 2003-2006.
- 2003-2006: Member, The Higher Committee for the Accounting Profession.
- 2001-2009: Member, Council of the Center for Strategic Studies, The University of Jordan.
- 2001-2005: Member, Executive Council, UNESCO, Paris, France.
- 1998-2003: Deputy Chairman, The Higher Education Council, Jordan.
- 1995-1998: Member, Board of Trustees, The Diplomatic Institute, Jordan.
- 1995-1998: Member, The Executive council, The International Association of Universities, Paris France.
- 1994-1998: Member, The Jordanian American Society for Cultural Exchange (Fulbright Commission).
- 1991-2004: Member, The Higher Education Council, Jordan.
- 1991-1994: Chairman, The Committee For the Evaluation of Higher Education, Jordan.
- 1991-1993: Member, The Advisory Economic Council, The Government of Jordan.
- 1991-1994: Member, The American Accounting Association.
- 1991-2009: Chairman, The Jordanian Alumni Society Of Graduates of American Universities and Institutes.
- 1989-1991: Member, Board of Trustees, Petra University, Jordan.
- 1989-1990: Member, The National Committee for Drawing the National Charter.
- 1986-1991: The Committee for the Evaluation of foreign University Degrees, Jordan.
- 1985-1992: Member, the Advisory Committee for the Faculty of Business and Economics, Qatar University, Qatar.

Establishment of new universities

Co-founder and Partner (until 2005), Petra Private University, Jordan.

Consultations

Covering Various Areas of Higher Education, Business and Economics.

Conferences

- On higher education;
- On business and economics;
- On the Middle East Affairs; and
- On Cultural Affairs.

Medals

- Independence Medal of the First Order.
- Education Medal of Excellence.

Publications*Books (English)*

- The Economics of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, Boulder, Westview Press, 1987, U.S.A.
- The Badia of Jordan: A Process of Change. Amman: University of Jordan Press, 1987 (with others).
- The Bedouin of Jordan: A People in Transition. Amman Royal Scientific Society Press, 1987 (with others).
- The small and Handicraft Industries in Jordan:1976. Amman: Industrial Development Bank, n.d. (with others).

Books (Arabic)

- Contemporary Issues in Jordan (Editing and Introduction). Amman and Beirut: Abdel Hamid Shoman Foundation and Arab Institute for Studies and Publications 2001.
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- Accounting for Executives. Amman: El-Dustour Press, 1982 (with other).
- Research Methodology in Social Sciences and Humanities. Amman: Royal Scientific Society Press, 1977 (with others), Third Edition, 2002.
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- Bedouin Settlement: Organizational, Legal and Administrative Structure: The Experience of Jordan, in Galaty, John G., Aronson, Dan and Salzman, Philip Carl, Eds. The Future of Pastoral Peoples, Ottawa: International Development Research Center, 1981 (with another).
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- Doing Business in the Arab World: Problems and Prospects, The Arab World Business Opportunities. Singapore: Compa Publications, 1977 (with another).
- Amman Region and its Weight in Jordan's Economy, Orient, 1976 (with others).

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- "Timeliness of Financial Reports in Jordanian Industrial Corporations", *Dirasat*, 1988 (with another).
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- "Inflation Accounting in Jordanian Corporations: A Case Study", *Economics and Administrative Research*, 1981.
- "The Accounting Function and the Chief Accountant in Jordanian Corporations", *Dirasat*, 1981.
- "The Use of Simultaneous Equations in Service Department's Cost Allocation: A Case Study", *Journal of Business Research*, 1980.
- "The Investment Climate in Jordan", *Businessmen*, 1978.
- "Internal Control in Corporations: A Quantitative Evaluation", *Dirasat*, 1976 (with another).
- "Modern Construction Industries: A Case Study", *Dirasat*, 1975 (with another).
- "The Use of Linear Programming in Fixed Cost Allocation: The Case of Paper and Cardboard Manufacturing Company", *Proceeding of the Second Annual Conference of Operations Research*. Cairo: Egyptian Society of Operations Research, 1975.

4. Kozaki, Hitoshi (Japan)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and, with reference to the Secretariat's note ICC-ASP/16/SP/08, has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of Japan has decided to nominate Mr. Hitoshi Kozaki as a candidate for member of the Committee on Budget and Finance (the Committee) for the term 2018-2021 at the elections to be held during the sixteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties scheduled to be held in New York from 4 to 14 December 2017.

Mr. Kozaki, who currently serves as Chairperson of the Committee, has extensive experience and recognized standing in financial matters at the international level. From August 2003 through October 2007, he served as Japan's representative to the Fifth (Administrative and Budgetary) Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, where he demonstrated expertise and leadership in the international negotiations on United Nations management reform, regular budget and budgets for peacekeeping operations, human resources management and other related issues. Subsequently he joined the United Nations Department of Field Support (DFS) as Senior Programme Management Officer till February 2011 to coordinate interdepartmental and intergovernmental processes within the Office of the Under Secretary-General for DFS, and to formulate budgets of the United Nations Peacekeeping and Special Political Missions. In 2012, he was selected as a member of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on behalf of the United Nations General Assembly, where he served as Rapporteur of the Board in 2012 and a member of the Budget Working Group in 2013 and 2017. Mr. Kozaki has been serving as member of the Committee since April 2015, being elected to the Committee's Vice Chairperson in 2016 and then to Chairperson in April 2017.

Such experience and expertise, as outlined in Mr. Kozaki's curriculum vitae attached herewith, attest to his fulfillment of the requirement, set forth in paragraph 2 of the annex to the resolution establishing the Committee on Budget and Finance (ICC-ASP/1/Res.4), that members of the Committee be experts of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level.

Japan has consistently supported the activities of the International Criminal Court since its establishment, and having formally become a State Party to the Rome Statute on 1 October 2007 and consistently being the largest contributor to the Court's budget, intends to remain a strong supporter of the Court. The decision of the Government of Japan to present the candidature of Mr. Kozaki for re-election to the Committee on Budget and Finance reflects its firm commitment to continue exerting its utmost efforts to facilitate the activities of the Court. The Government of Japan is fully confident that the candidate possesses the necessary experience, expertise and knowledge in financial and budgetary affairs, as well as recognized standing at the international level, to make a strong contribution to the important work of the Committee.

Statement of qualifications

Date and place of birth

2 July 1969, Shiga, Japan.

Current positions

April 2017-present: Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court.

2015-present: First Secretary and Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Embassy of Japan in Thailand.

Professional experience

- 2016-March 2017: Vice Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court.
- March 2015-present: Member, Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court.
- 2014-2015: First Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Iraq.
- 2012-present: Representative of the United Nations General Assembly, United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Rapporteur of the 59th Session of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board, Member of the Standing Committee, Member of the Budget Working Group.
- 2011-2014: Deputy Director, Oceania Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, in charge of Japan-Australia and Japan-New Zealand political relations.
- 2009-2011: United Nations Secretariat, Department of Field Support, Field Budget and Financing Division, Senior Programme Management Officer, head of section dealing with budgeting and financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations and political offices.
- 2007-2009: United Nations Secretariat, Department of Field Support, Office of the Under Secretary-General for Field Support, Senior Programme Management Officer, in charge of policy and programme coordination and liaison with intergovernmental bodies in the United Nations.
- 2003-2007: Second and First Secretary (designated in 2007 as Senior Expert on the United Nations affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan), Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations, in charge of management reform, the United Nations regular budget, peacekeeping budgets, budgets of the International Tribunals for Rwanda and former Yugoslavia, programme planning, oversight bodies (Board of Auditors, Office of Internal Oversight Services, and Joint Inspection Unit).
- 2000-2003: Official, First North America Division, North American Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, in charge of Japan-US political relations.
- 1998-2000: Official, Second West Europe Division, European Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, in charge of Japan-UK political relations.
- 1996-1998: Attaché and Third Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Singapore, in charge of Japan-Singapore political relations and protocol.
- 1994-1996: Attaché, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America, academic assignment to Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, United States.
- 1993-1994: Official, Japan-US Security Treaty Division, North American Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Education

- 1996 Bachelor of Arts in political science, Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, United States.
- 1993 Bachelor of Arts in law, Osaka City University, Osaka, Japan.

Languages

Japanese (native), English (fluent), Chinese (basic).

5. Sánchez, Mónica (Ecuador)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Consulate of Ecuador presents its compliments to the honourable International Criminal Court – Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties – and has the honor to refer to the note no. ICC-ASP/16/SP/08 of 7 March 2017, regarding the election of the members of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court, which will take place at the sixteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties in New York, from 4 to 14 December 2017. In this respect, the Government of the Republic of Ecuador has decided to nominate Mrs. Mónica Sánchez for re-election to the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) of the International Criminal Court for the period of 2018-2021.

Mrs. Mónica Sánchez has served as a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance during the periods 2012-2015 and 2015-2018. In the course of the past six years as a member of the CBF she assumed the Vice Presidency from March to December 2013 and again from May to December 2017. Her knowledge and experience in financial and budgetary issues is complemented by her previous work in the Fifth Commission as a part of the Permanent Representation of Ecuador to the United Nations in New York. Please find enclosed a copy of Mrs. Mónica Sanchez's curriculum vitae.

Statement of qualifications

Personal data

Name: Mónica Soledad Sánchez Izquierdo
 Current position: Counsellor of Foreign Service of Ecuador
 Place and date of birth: Latacunga, 22 January 1977
 Nationality: Ecuadorian

Professional qualifications

2010: Master Degree in Political Science; Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO-Ecuador).
 2000: B.A. International Relations; University of San Francisco de Quito.
 2000: Minor and Communications; University of San Francisco de Quito.
 1996: International Baccalaureate; S.E.K International School.

Languages

English: Advanced; Fullbright Commission.
 French: Advanced; Alliance Française, Quito.
 Portuguese: Fourth Level; Instituto Brasileiro de Estudios Culturales IBEC.
 Arabic: First Level; United Nations Institute for Training and Research.

Experience in the Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court

2012-2014: Member of the Committee (GRULAC); Vice-Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance 2013.
 2015-2017: Member of the Committee (GRULAC); Vice-Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance 2017.

Professional experience

May 2014 to date:	Consul General of Ecuador in Buenos Aires, Republic of Argentina.
June 2012- April 2014:	Ministerial Advisor on International Affairs. Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Aquaculture and Fisheries of Ecuador.
August 2011-June 2012:	Chief of Office. Vice ministry of Foreign Affairs and Political Integration
October 2010 - August 2011:	Second Secretary at the Undersecretariat for Regional and International Organizations; United Nations System Department.
September 2009 - September 2010:	Advisor to the 64th President of the United Nations General Assembly. Revitalization of the UNGA, Reform, Development, Administrative and Budgetary issues.
August 2005- September 2009:	Ecuador's diplomatic delegate to the United Nations General Assembly to the First Committee: Peace and Security; Second Committee: Development issues; Fifth Committee: Administrative and Budgetary issues.
March 2005-August 2005:	Consul; General Consulate of Ecuador in New York City.
April 2003 - March de 2005:	Diplomat at the Office Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs.
March 2002 – March 2003:	Third Secretary of the Foreign Service, Diplomatic Academy of Ecuador, "Antonio J. Quevedo". X Class.
September 1999- February 2002:	Administrative Position; Under secretariat of National Sovereign, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Ecuador.

6. Shanker, Neelu (Canada)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of Canada to the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (“ICC”), and has the honour to refer to the notes verbales ICC-ASP/16/SP/08 of 7 March 2017, ICC-ASP/16/SP/48 of 28 August 2017, and ICC-ASP/16/SP/50 of 11 September 2017 regarding the election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance, which will take place at the sixteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties in New York from December 4 to 14 2017, and the subsequent extensions of the deadline for nominations.

The Embassy of Canada has the further honour to inform the Secretariat that the Government of Canada has nominated Ms. Neelu Shanker for election as a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance. Ms. Shanker has extensive experience and recognized standing in financial and legal matters at the international level, including in relation to the International Criminal Court’s budget and permanent premises, and as an alternate member of the Staff Pension Committee of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. For further information on Ms. Shanker’s experience and knowledge, please find enclosed her curriculum vitae.

Statement of qualifications

Education

- Juris Doctor; 2008-2012; Osgoode Hall Law School; York University.
- Bachelor of Commerce, International Management, East Asia; 2004-2008; McGill University; Graduated with Great Distinction.
- Diploma of Collegial Studies, Pure and Applied Science; 2002-2004; Marianopolis College; Graduated with Honours.

Work experience

- Second Secretary (Political and Legal Affairs), Embassy of Canada to the Netherlands (The Hague); August 2015 to present:
 - Engaged, both bilaterally and multilaterally, as the Canadian representative to all multilateral legal institutions in The Hague, including the International Criminal Court, the International Court of Justice, the International Commission for Missing Persons, the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals, the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, the Hague Conference on Private International Law, the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone, the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration.
 - Engaged with divisions within Global Affairs Canada and other government departments to coordinate a coherent Canadian position on matters relating to key priorities for Canada’s engagement with multilateral legal institutions in The Hague, including Syria accountability and budget and finance.
 - Provided key support for the Ambassador of Canada’s chairmanship of the International Criminal Court Oversight Committee for the Permanent Premises and informal Drafting Committee of the Bureau Working Group on the implementation of article 97 of the Rome Statute.
 - Managed the bilateral relationship with the Netherlands on human rights and cyber-security

- Led in the planning and coordination, as well as logistics for high-level programs for Government of Canada officials to the Netherlands, including the Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- Served on the Embassy of Canada’s Contract Review Board to review proposed contracts to ensure effective management and oversight of Mission procurement activities by reviewing and approving, prior to signature, contract agreements (or amendments) falling within the Mission’s delegated contracting authority in order to ensure that integrity, transparency, fairness and prudence are evident in the process while achieving best value for the Crown.
- Served as alternate member of the Staff Pension Committee of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, established in accordance with article 4(a) and 6(c) of the The United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF) Regulations to administer the UNJSPF for staff at the Tribunal.
- Founding member of the Women in International Law Network, an informal Hague-based network for female senior officials, advisers, academics and experts aimed at advancing gender equality by fostering connections between women, creating a space for women to support each other, share ideas and knowledge, and providing a forum to recognise their achievements, talents and skills.
- Legal Officer, United Nations, Human Rights, and Economic Law Division (JLH), Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada (DFATD); August 2013 - September 2014 and December 2014 – August 2015:
 - Engaged with other divisions within DFATD and external colleagues in various departments in the Government of Canada on sanctions reform, with a view to implementing recommendations approved by Cabinet to improve Canada’s sanctions regime through legislative and regulatory amendments.
 - Coordinated with other divisions within DFATD and the Regulatory Drafters at the Department of Justice to draft new sanctions or amend existing regulations imposed against a number of countries, including Russia and Ukraine, and pass those regulations through the Federal Regulatory Development Process.
 - Coordinated with divisions within DFATD and other government departments, including the Department of Justice, to assess applications for delisting from the lists of designated persons in Canada’s economic sanctions legislation and ensure that the Department’s processing of such applications was made in compliance with principles of international and administrative law.
 - Oversaw the espousal of international claims and liaised with divisions within DFATD and other government departments to assess applications requesting Canada’s intervention in private legal disputes.
 - Assessed shipments detained by the Canada Border Services Agency, as well as applications for export permits to DFATD for compliance with Canada’s economic sanctions legislation.
- Policy Advisor, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, New York; September 2014 to present:
 - Contributed to the planning and coordination of high-level programmes during High Level Week at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) and facilitated the participation of the Canadian delegation in bilateral and multilateral meetings.
 - Engaged both bilaterally and multilaterally as the alternate Canadian representative to the Sixth Committee – Legal of UNGA, attended committee meetings, and coordinated with other divisions within DFATD to promote Canadian interests on a range of issues.
 - Reported on debates in plenary and Sixth Committee sessions, as well as the outcome of meetings and the progress of discussions and engagement on specific agenda items.
 - Facilitated the participation of the Legal Adviser in International Law Week, including through the coordination of bilateral and multilateral meetings.
- Policy Officer, International Economic Relations and Summits Division (MER), Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada; August 2012 – August 2013:
 - Contributed to the identification and implementation of Canada’s priorities and objectives within the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).

- Oversaw Canada’s participation in and engagement with the APEC Senior Officials’ Meeting Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation and all sub-fora.
- Coordinated with other government departments in promoting Canada’s objectives within APEC, and provided briefs and information as needed.
- Drafted briefing and communications material for the APEC Senior Officials’ Meeting, the Ministerial Processes, and the Leaders’ Meeting.
- Attended APEC meetings as part of the Canadian delegation and facilitated the participation of Canada’s Senior Official to the organization.
- Trade Commissioner, European Union Commercial Relations Division (GUC), Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada; June 2009 – August 2010:
 - Oversaw the bilateral commercial relationship between Canada and the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Slovenia, and Slovakia and prepared briefing material for bilateral trade issues involving these countries.
 - Contributed to the planning of Ministerial visits to Eastern Europe and participated in activities leading up to the signing of the Canada-Slovakia Foreign Investment Promotion and Protection and Youth Mobility Agreements.
 - Coordinated the European Union Life Sciences Multi-Country Sector Team, dedicated to ensuring enhanced coordination in Trade Commissioner sector engagement across Canada’s embassies and consulates in the EU.
 - Volunteered at the Policy, Emergency Planning, and Training Division in the aftermath of the earthquakes in Haiti and Chile.
- Summer Student, Marketing, Standard Aero Ltd.; May-August 2007:
 - Employed by a multinational gas turbine maintenance, repair and overhaul facility with over 2500 employees and annual revenue exceeding \$850 million.
 - Worked on Central Marketing projects regarding corporate branding, marketing, and web strategy across the company.
 - Conducted focus groups and group interviews, and job shadowed customer service representatives to achieve project goals.

Extracurricular activities

- Case worker, The Innocence Project, Osgoode Hall Law School; August 2011 - May 2012:
 - Reviewed case file to determine if a case for innocence could be made and managed the client relationship.
 - Prepared documents including notices of application and constitutional question, factums, and affidavits for ongoing cases.
 - Conducted legal research and prepared research memoranda on relevant issues relating to ongoing cases.
- Project subcommittee member, East Africa; Fall 2008 - April 2009; International Legal Partnership, Osgoode Hall Law School: Researched issues of juvenile justice in Uganda and prepared a report on those findings.
- Events subcommittee member, International Legal Partnership, Osgoode Hall Law School; Fall 2008 - April 2009: Co-planned club activities with other committee members.
- Vice-President Finance, North Korea Freedom Network: Fall 2006 - January 2008:
 - Founded North Korea Freedom Network with a team of four other executive members and co-planned fundraisers, information sessions and documentary screenings.
 - Managed the club’s budget, collected membership fees and donations, and obtained funding..
- President, Junior Hong Kong Canada Business Association Montreal; Winter-Fall 2007:
 - Led an executive team of four in organizing informational sessions and fundraisers.
 - Represented the group on the board of the Hong Kong Canada Business Association (Montreal).

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- VP Internal; Fall 2006 - Winter 2007; Junior Hong Kong Canada Business Association Montreal: Oversaw internal communications and maintained group records.

Achievements

- Instant Award, Global Affairs Canada; 23 January 2017: In recognition of contribution to the Minister of Foreign Affairs' participation at the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.
- Instant Award, Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada; 14 December 2015: In recognition of dedication, expertise, and accomplishments during the fourteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.
- Called to the Bar of Ontario, The Law Society of Upper Canada; September 2014.
- Certificate of Commendation, Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet; 2010: Dedication to duty and exemplary work accomplished in the aftermath of the earthquake in Haiti.
- Graduated with Great Distinction, McGill University, May 2008.
- Member of the Golden Key Society McGill Chapter, Fall 2006 to present: Top 15 per cent of faculty.
- Honour Roll, four semesters on the Dean's List, Marianopolis College; 2004.

Skills

Languages: Fluent in written and spoken English and French.

7. Shava, Margaret Wambui Ngugi (Kenya)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of Kenya to the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of State Parties of the International Criminal Court and has the honor to refer to the latter's Note Reference: ICC-ASP/16/SP/08, dated 7 March 2017, on the nomination and election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance.

The Embassy has the honor to confirm that the Government of the Republic of Kenya has nominated Ms. Maragaret Shava for election to the position of member of the Committee on Budget and Finance. Ms. Shava is an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and a Management consultant with over 25 years of experience in Management and Legal Consultancy. The Government of Kenya is convinced that Ms. Shava, whose resume is attached herewith, meets the requirements for appointment to the above position

Statement of qualifications

Bio data summary

Education: MA (Democratic Studies); LLB (Hons); Dip Law (KSL); CPS.

Experience: 25 years.

Nationality: Kenyan.

Languages: English, Kiswahili, French, local languages.

Key experience

- An experienced, high-level manager having worked in Legal practice, private sector, the United Nations, International NGO and Government sectors.
- Significant budget responsibility with fundraising and programme management skills.
- Board Level responsibility for Budget, Finance and Administration, Audit, Risk and Governance.
- Currently serving on Boards of:
 - TOTAL Kenya PLC (international oil marketing company).
 - Jockey Club of Kenya (equine regulatory authority).
 - Family real estate and commercial agricultural enterprises.

Key skills and competencies

- Management;
- Commercial Law;
- Corporate Governance;
- Mediation;
- Strategic Planning; and
- Communication.

Recent experience

January 2015 – Present Day: Law firm proprietor: Focusing on Commercial and Conveyancing Law, with expertise in the Mining, Extractives, Oil and Gas sector; Competition Law; and Estate planning. Legal advisor in equine, aeronautical and environmental matters.

September 2013 – Present Day: Independent consultant: Expert Adviser to Humanitarian Dialogue, a Swiss-based mediation organisation. Member of the Group of Experts engaged in February 2017 by UN Women, Colombia, to advise on the implementation of the Integrated Transitional Justice System, with a focus on Women and minorities. Participated in high level meetings and produced recommendations impacting upon the process. Appointed by the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth to the Eminent Persons Observer Group for the 2015 Elections in the United Republic of Tanzania. Various speaking and Research engagements, with lecturing assignments in process. Facilitation of workshops, including for the Geneva-based Nansen Initiative on climate change and movement of persons

Career background

Over 25 years working experience in Law, Management, Legal Consultancy, Peace Building and Transitional Justice. Gained through working in Legal Practice, in Public Office, in various economic sectors, as well as in the United Nations Organisation and national and international NGOs. Specialising in Corporate and Commercial Law, Governance, Oil & Gas, Human Rights, International Refugee Law and Gender.

Qualified as an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya after serving pupillage with a pioneering Kenyan law firm. Solid Corporate experience in a blue chip Kenyan company, assisting the Company Secretary and deputising in her absence in certain duties. Practiced Conveyancing and Commercial Law with a leading Nairobi law firm, achieving good partnership prospects before taking a two year sabbatical in the United States. Augmented modern Corporate and Human Resource Management skills with a prominent Management Consultancy firm in Nairobi before launching into independent consultancy.

Sharpened training, research, writing and advocacy skills and competencies while consulting for various Human Rights NGOs. Facilitated Civic Education workshops for the Institute for Education in Democracy. Wrote concept papers for Education Centre for Women in Democracy amongst others. Election observer for FIDA-Kenya, a women's NGO with UN observer status, in the 1997 Kenya General Elections. Past Chairperson of Young Career Women (Kenya), affiliated to the International Federation of Business and Professional Women; spearheaded strategic planning for self-sustainability of the organisation's programmes and expanded existing programme for the education of deserving girls from poor families. Participant in local and international conferences and workshops. Keynote speaker at Catholic University of East Africa for International Women's Day in 2001. Alumnus of African Women's Leadership Institute, honing skills and knowledge in such areas as Feminism, personal empowerment, strategic planning and project management. Chairperson of Women in Law and Development in Africa (Kenya) chapter of this pan-African women's organisation. In this capacity, provided organisational leadership for critical support to the development, and successful lobbying process for the Sexual Offences Act, a ground breaking piece of legislative reform in Kenya. Member of the Attorney-General's Task Force on the implementation of the Sexual Offences Act.

As a Joint Secretary appointed by the High Court of Kenya, successfully discharged duty to bring about and oversee elections of the National Council of Women of Kenya, the umbrella organisation for women's NGOs in Kenya, by using mediating skills to break deadlock then subsisting between differing factions.

Broad experience with UNHCR both in Kenya and abroad. Has worked for UNHCR in the capacities of Legal Screener for Refugee Status Determination, Senior Protection Assistant, and as a trainer and facilitator for workshops on Sexual and Gender-based Violence and International Refugee Law. Completed two tours with UNHCR in Sudan as an international consultant for UNHCR; selected by UNHCR HQ in Geneva as Team

Leader in Gedaref for the Refugee Status Determination exercise for Ethiopian and later for Eritrean refugees, pursuant to the application of the "ceased circumstances" cessation clause.

Achieved leading score for MA Dissertation on Ethnicity and Democracy in Kenya.

Joined International Alert, a medium sized peace building NGO based in London, United Kingdom, but working worldwide. In charge of the regional programme in the Great Lakes Region of Africa. Facilitated the transition of the AMANI Forum – the Great Lakes Parliamentary Forum on Peace – from a programme of Alert into a fully-fledged regional organisation covering Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. Set up and co-ordinated the Regional Analysts Network – RAN. Launched RAN's inaugural research work, carried out in Rwanda, Burundi and Eastern DRC, on the impact upon conflict of Myths, Rumours, Stereotypes and Prejudice. Took the organisational lead on developing a strategy for Alert programming in Kenya. Budget holder of over £250,000 per annum.

Successfully applied for the publicly advertised position of Commissioner with the Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission established in Kenya pursuant to Agenda Four of the peace accord signed in February 2008 subsequent to Kenya's period of post-election violence. After passing both the interview and a rigorous vetting process, was sworn in by the Honourable the Chief Justice of the Republic of Kenya on 3 August 2009.

Key participant in various committees, including Finance and Administration.

After successfully concluding and winding up operations at the Truth Justice and Reconciliation Commission in August 2013, engaged in Legal consultancies, most recently on Women's participation and leadership in the Colombian peace process.

In January 2015 opened a Law practice with a selective yet broad based clientele nationally and internationally.

Member of various boards, including Total Kenya PLC chairing the Risk and Governance committee, and member of Board Audit Committee.

Education

The University of Leeds, United Kingdom, M A Democratic Studies, fully sponsored by a Ford Foundation fellowship. The University of Buckingham, United Kingdom, Bachelor of Laws, Honours Degree assisted by a Chevening Scholarship from the British Council. Advocate of the High Court of Kenya. Certified Public Secretary (Kenya). Certificate in Oil & Gas from the Strathmore University Extractives Industry Centre, Strathmore Law School. Certificate in Competition Law from the Kenya School of Law.

References and affiliations

Available upon request.

8. Sopková, Elena (Slovakia)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Slovak Republic to the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and has the honour, with reference to the Secretariat's note ICC-ASP/16/SP/08 of 7 March 2017, to inform that the Government of the Slovak Republic has decided to nominate Ms. Elena Sopková as a candidate for re-election to the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court for the period 2018-2021 at the elections to be held during the sixteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties in New York from 4 to 14 December 2017.

Throughout her professional career, Ms. Elena Sopková acquired extensive knowledge and experience in the field of accounting, evaluation, project management, budgeting and financial control with regard to judicial institutions at both national and international levels. As a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court since 2003, Ms. Sopková has significantly contributed to the efforts to make the Court an effective and efficient tool of international criminal justice.

Ms. Elena Sopková's impressive knowledge and vast experience fully comply with the requirements set forth in paragraph 2 of the annex to the resolution establishing the Committee on Budget and Finance (ICC-ASP/1/Res.4) according to which members of the Committee shall be experts of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level.

The curriculum vitae and the statement of qualifications of Ms. Elena Sopková are attached to this note verbale.

Statement of qualifications

Ms. Elena Sopková is an expert of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level. The attached curriculum vitae of Ms. Sopková reflects her experience in financial and economic matters, as well as the various governmental and international positions she has held. She is currently a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court. Having served for seven years as a Director of the International Taxation Department, she has gained broad experience of international financial matters and participated in numerous international negotiations. Ms. Sopková is a Slovak national. She speaks fluent English and French.

Personal details

Family name: Sopková
 First name: Elena
 Date of birth: 27.7.1954
 Place of birth: Trnava, Slovak Republic
 Marital status: Married, two children

Education

2004: Technical inspection company RWTUV, Bratislava, Quality Management Systems Auditor EN ISO 9001:2000.
 2003: Agency for the Rural Development, Certified Project Manager.
 2000-2002: Centre for Advanced Studies, University of Economics in Bratislava, Expert, specialization – Economic Evaluation and Expertise.

1973-1978: University of Economics in Bratislava, Faculty of Commerce, Master degree.

1969-1973: Secondary school of Economics in Bratislava, Engineer of economics.

Special education abroad

1998: OECD Education Centrum in Budapest – Training on transfer pricing.

1997: OECD Education Centrum in Vienna – Training for negotiators of Tax conventions.

1993-1996: Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Brussels – study of the French language.

Work experience

Since 2003: Legal Evaluation Expert in Economics and Management registered at the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic. My responsibility consists in advising judges and different legal entities in any problem connected to economic issues, namely taxes, accounting, calculation and budgeting during juridical process; providing judges with fundamental written reports needed for juridical decision making at national and international level; evaluation of assets for registration of companies at the Registration court, evaluation of damages for reparation; evaluation of risk management, project management, budgeting and financial controls, human resources management.

2002 – 2003: KZT, joint stock company, Evaluation Expert. My responsibility included developing strategic planning system for companies and linking it with budgeting, providing companies and their management with expertise in budgetary management and policy planning, with recommendations on strategy, efficiency and optimalization of company, reorganization and rationalization of work procedures and administrative structures through business processes' analysis and redesign.

1996 – 2002: Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic, Director of the International Taxation Department.

1993 – 1996: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Embassy of the Slovak Rep. in Belgium, Economist at the Economic and Commercial Department.

1992 – 1993: Embassy of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic in Kinshasa, Economist.

1991 – 1992: Audit Company, Ltd., Auditor, co-founder and owner of the Company.

1985 – 1991: Central Finance Office of Bratislava, Head of Finance and Controlling Department.

1978 -1985: Interhotels Bratislava and Hotel Borik, Economist at the Accountant Department.

Other professional activities

Since 2016: Member of the Audit Committee of the International Criminal Court, since January 2016 Vice-Chair of the Audit Committee.

Since 2003: Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) of the International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague - member of the Committee.

2007 – 2015: Pan-European University, Faculty of Economics, Expert lector.

2007 – 2008: Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance; The establishment of the International Criminal court has been an important milestone in humanitarian law. The main objective of the CBF is advising the Assembly of State Parties and the ICC in strategic and financial management, financial optimization and budgeting.

Since 2002: Slovak Association of Economic Evaluation Expert, Member of the Board; Cooperation in preparation of acts and regulations in budgetary, financial and taxation fields.

Since 2003: TOP Centre of Businesswomen – nongovernmental independent association; Project coordinator and expert lector. Lector at workshops aimed at stimulating women’s entrepreneurship in Slovakia as well as on international level. TCB is an observing organization of FCEM - World Businesswomen Association based in Paris (Les Femmes Chefs d’Entreprises Mondiales).

1996 – 1998: Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic, Negotiator on behalf of the Slovak Republic in the taxation domain during the accession process of Slovakia to the OECD taxation.

Languages

Slovak: native tongue;

Czech: fluent;

English: fluent;

French: fluent;

German: passive knowledge; and

Russian: passive knowledge.

Other skills

IT skills: Work with PC, Microsoft Word, Excel, Internet.
