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Election of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance

Note by the Secretariat

1. On 25 February 2020, 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 nineteenth session of the Assembly, to be held from 7 to 17 December 2020. The nomination period for the candidates for six seats on the Committee on Budget and Finance ran from 8 June to 30 August 2020 (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 2021 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, 30 August 2020, six nominations had been received.

10. Of the six nominations, one was submitted by the Group of African States, two 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 one by the 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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Alphabetical list of candidates (with statements of qualifications)

[Original: English]

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1. DRUML, Werner (Austria)

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Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of Austria presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties and, referring to the Secretariat's note verbale Ref. ICC-ASP/19/SP/12 of 16 March 2020, has the honor to nominate Ambassador Werner DRUML for a position in the Committee on Budget and Finance.

Ambassador Druml, who is currently the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Finance, has longstanding experience in budgetary and financial matters and gained extensive expertise regarding the International Criminal Court's budget when, during his time as Austrian Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, he served as Budget Facilitator of the Hague Working Group for four consecutive years and Budget Coordinator at the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties.

A curriculum vitae providing more information about Ambassador Druml's qualification and experience is attached.

Curriculum vitae

Personal details

Date and place of birth: 9 May 1951 in Lienz, Austria

Nationality: Austrian

Civil status: Married, two adult children

Education

1974: Ph.D. in law (Doctor iuris), University of Innsbruck, Austria

1978: M.A. in International Affairs, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS Washington D.C.

Languages

German (native) English (fluent)

French (fluent) Spanish (advanced)

Professional career

Austrian Career Diplomat (retired):

1991 – 1995 Ambassador to Nigeria

1995 – 1999 Ambassador to Libya

2000 – 2005 Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Director for Environment

2005 – 2009 Ambassador to Mexico

2009 – 2012 Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Host State Ambassador

2012 – 2016 Ambassador to the Netherlands, Permanent Representative to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)

Since 2017 Adjunct Faculty at Webster University, Vienna

Since 2020 Member of the Committee on Budget and Finance (current Vice-Chair)

Specific professional experience

2009 – 2012 as Host State Ambassador in Vienna

- Responsibilities for budgetary questions for conference activities of the Vienna-based international organizations (budget roughly EUR 300,000 per year)
- Member of two advisory boards of the Austrian International Conference Centre (*Austria Centre Vienna*)
- Responsibilities in connection with the then ongoing major building project in the *Vienna International Centre/VIC* (totalling roughly EUR 102 million)
- Responsibilities and oversight for the Host State concerning i.a. capital investments and replacements, management and maintenance of conference buildings etc. of the *VIC*-based organizations

2012 – 2016 as Ambassador to The Netherlands

Budget Facilitator of The Hague Working Group and Budget Coordinator at the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth sessions of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. In this role:

- Briefings to and interaction with the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) and the External Auditor on a diverse range of administrative and financial aspects
- Intensive contacts with the Heads of Organs of the ICC and
- acquisition of institutional knowledge *inter alia* on internal budgetary processes, on the governance framework and internal functioning of the ICC, on Judicial proceedings and their budgetary implications, on institutional reform and management requirements

Since April 2020 as Member of the Committee on Budget and Finance (elected as Vice-Chair)

2. 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 States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and, with reference to the Secretariat's note ICC-ASP/19/SP/12, dated 16 March 2020, has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan has decided to nominate H.E. Dr. Fawzi A. Gharaibeh as a candidate for the membership of the Committee on Budget and Finance for the term 2021-2023 at the elections to be held during the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties scheduled to be held in New York from 7 to 17 December 2020

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

Curriculum vitae

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: 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

A. *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).

B. *Books (Arabic)*

- Contemporary Issues in Jordan (Editing and Introduction). Amman and Beirut: Abdel Hamid Shoman Foundation and Arab Institute for Studies and Publications 2001.
- Accounting Principles. New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1983 (with others).
- 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.
- Cost Accounting: Principles, Procedure and Control. Amman: Philadelphia Publishing House, 1975.

C. *Articles (English)*

- 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).
- Foreign Companies in Jordan: Problems and Prospects, Arab Journal of Administration (October 1979) (with another).
- West Asia and Southeast Asia: A Commentary, in Economic Relations Between West Asia and Southeast Asia. Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 1978.
- Conditions of Some Working Women in Jordan, Arab Journal of Administration, 1978, (with others).
- 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).

D. Articles (Arabic)

- The Relation between Earnings and Stock Returns in the Long Run: Republication and Extension", Jordan Journal of Business Administration. 2008 (with others).
- The Role of Cash flows and Accruals in Explaining Stock Returns, Jordan Journal of Business Administration. 2008 (with others).
- Predicting Corporate Distress in Jordan: A Multidimensional Scaling Approach, Dirasat 2008 (with another).
- Education in Jordan and the Requirements of the Twenty First Century," in Contemporary Issues in Jordan, 2001.
- The Relationship between Accounting Variables and Market Beta as a Measure of Systematic Risk in Public Shareholding Companies in Jordan, Dirasat 1996 (with another).
- The Use of Financial Ratios to Predict Highly Successful Industrial Corporations in Jordan, Dirasat, 1990 (with another).
- Annual Financial Reports of Jordanian Industrial Corporations and their Relevance for Investment Decisions, Dirasat, 1990 (with another).
- Information Content of Annual Financial Reports in Jordanian Corporations - Trading Volume, Dirasat, 1989 (with another).
- Timeliness of Financial Reports in Jordanian Industrial Corporations, Dirasat, 1988 (with another).
- Information Content of Accounting Income Numbers in Jordanian Industrial Corporations, Abhath Al-Yarmouk 1988 (with another).
- Financial Ratios as Predictors of Failure in Jordanian Industrial Corporations, Dirasat, 1987 (with another).
- Disclosures in Financial Annual Reports in Jordanian Industrial Corporations, Dirasat, 1986 (with another).
- The Extent of Utilization of Cost Accounting Systems in Jordanian Industrial Corporations, Dirasat, 1986 (with another).
- 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.

3. HARIMOTO, Yukiko (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/19/SP/12, has the honor to inform the latter that the Government of Japan has decided to nominate Ms. HARIMOTO Yukiko as a candidate for the members of the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) for the term 2021-2023 at the elections to be held during the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties scheduled to be held in New York from 7 to 17 December 2020.

Ms. HARIMOTO has extensive experience and recognized standing in financial matters at the international level. She is currently a counsellor and legal advisor at the Embassy of Japan in the Netherlands and serving as the Japan's representative to the International Criminal Court and other international organizations, where she demonstrated expertise and leadership in the international negotiations including the regular budget and other related issues of the Court. From 2014 to 2017 she served as the Deputy Secretary General of Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) and supervised budgeting, auditing and accounting operations of the organization. From 2010 to 2013 she served as the First Secretary at the UNOV/UNIDO Section, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Vienna, Austria, and her duties included management reform, oversight and the budget of UNIDO. She also served as a member of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee at that time. Her other past responsibilities include supervision and the budget of UNHCR, UNDP and UNFPA. She is due to be re-assigned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan in Tokyo this summer.

Such experience and expertise, as outlined in Ms. HARIMOTO's curriculum vitae attached herewith, attest to her fulfilment 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 Ms. HARIMOTO for 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.

Curriculum vitae

Personal information

Name: HARIMOTO Yukiko
Nationality: Japanese
Date and place of birth: 1 May 1968, Nara, Japan

Academic background

1995 M.A. in international conflict analysis and resolution, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), Carlton University, Ottawa, Canada

1992 B.A. in international relations, Tsuda College, Tokyo, Japan

Professional experience

2020 summer Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (to be re-assigned to Tokyo)

2017-2020 Counsellor and Legal Advisor, Embassy of Japan in the Netherlands

- duties included the budget of the ICC among others
- within handling budgets, acquired a variety of knowledge and accompanying skills pertaining to human resources management, budget process and strategic approach

2014-2017 Deputy Secretary General in charge of budget and finance, Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO), India

- supervised budgeting, auditing and accounting operations of the organization in addition to the regular activities

2010-2013 First Secretary, UNOV/UNIDO Section, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Vienna, Austria

- duties included management reform, oversight and the budget of UNIDO
- also served as a member of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee
- served as co-chair of the UNIDO Geneva Group

2007-2010 Deputy Director and Head of the Legal Section, First North America Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- responsible for Japan-US legal issues

2004-2007 Second Secretary, UN Section, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva, Switzerland

- duties included supervision and the budget of UNHCR among others

2002-2004 Assistant Director, International Organizations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- responsible for supervision and the budget of UNDP and UNFPA

1992- Joined Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Languages

Japanese (native)

English (fluent)

French (basic knowledge)

German (basic knowledge)

4. SÁNCHEZ IZQUIERDO, Mónica Soledad (Ecuador)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of Ecuador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Honourable Secretariat of the Assembly of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and, with reference to the Secretariat's note verbal no. ICC-ASP/19/SP/12 of 16 March 2020, has the honour to inform that the Government of the Republic of Ecuador has decided to formally nominate Mrs. Mónica Sánchez Izquierdo as a candidate for re-election to the Committee on Budget and Finance for the period 2021-2023, election which is scheduled to take place during the nineteenth session of the Assembly of the States Parties in New York from 7 to 17 December 2020.

Mrs. Mónica Sánchez Izquierdo, who currently holds the position of Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Finance, is an expert of recognized standing and experience in financial matters at the international level, having served on the Committee since 2012. Her experience and knowledge fully complies with the requirements expressed in paragraph 2 of the annex of the resolution establishing the Committee on Budget and Finance (ICC-ASP/1/Res.4 as amended). Please also find enclosed the curriculum vitae of Mrs. Mónica Sánchez Izquierdo.

Curriculum vitae

Personal data

Name: Mónica Soledad Sánchez Izquierdo

Place and date of birth: Latacunga, 22 January 1977

Nationality: Ecuadorian

Professional qualifications

Master Degree in Political Science; Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO-Ecuador).

B.A. International Relations; University of San Francisco de Quito.

Minor and Communications; University of San Francisco de Quito.

Languages

English: Fluent; Fullbright Commission.

French: Fluent; Alliance Française, (French Alliance) in Quito.

Portuguese: **Brazilian Cultural Center** (Instituto Brasileiro de Estudos Culturales – IBEC).

Arabic: Basic. Language Center of the United Nations.

Professional experience

Advisor to the Foreign Service of Ecuador

June 2020 – present

Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility

June 2019 – June 2020

Diplomatic Academy
International Cooperation

May 2014 – June 2019

Advisor to the Foreign Service of Ecuador
Chargé d'affaires of the Consular Functions of the Embassy of Ecuador before the Argentine Republic. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

June 2012 – April 2014

International Affairs Advisor
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Aquaculture and Fisheries of Ecuador.

August 2011 – June 2012

Chief of Office
Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Political Integration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

October 2010 – August 2011

Second Secretary
International and Supra-regional Organization
Directorate of the United Nations System

September 2009 – September 2010

Advisor to the President of the United Nations General Assembly
Sixty-fourth Session for development and reform issues of the United Nations System
Administrative and financial issues of the United Nations General Assembly

August 2005 – September 2009

Delegation of the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations, New York
First Commission.
Second Commission – Coordinator of resolutions on behalf of the G77 and China

Fifth Commission – Coordinator of resolutions on behalf of the G77 and China

General Assembly – Revitalization of the General Assembly Security Council.
Disarmament Issues. Peace Operations

March 2005 – August 2005

First Consul
Consulate General of Ecuador in New York
In charge of legal and cultural issues

April 2003 – March 2005

Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

March 2002 – March 2003

Third Secretary
Trainee of the Diplomatic Academy of Ecuador "Antonio J. Quevedo". X Promotion

September 1999 – February 2002

Chancellor II
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador
Under-secretary of National Sovereignty
Directorate of Territorial Sovereignty

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

➤ **Elections 2018 – 2020: Re-election as a Committee member by Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)**

President of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court for the year 2020

➤ **Elections 2015 – 2017 – Re-election as a Committee member by Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)**

Vice-president of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court for the year 2017

➤ **Elections 2012 – 2014 – Election as a Committee member by Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)**

Vice-president of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court for the year 2013

Other activities

2010 – 2011

Representative of the diplomatic and auxiliary personnel of the Assessment Committee of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

5. SHAVA, Margaret Wambui Ngugi (Kenya)

[Original: English]

Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of Kenya to the Kingdom of Netherlands presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of State Parties and has the honor to refer to the note ref. no. ICC-ASP/19/SP/12 dated 16 March 2020 inviting State Parties to nominate candidates for six (6) seats on the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF).

The Embassy submits the nomination of Ms. Margaret Wambui Ngugi Shava for re-election as a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance for the term beginning on 21 April 2021 and ending on 31 December 2023, during the elections scheduled to be held at the nineteenth session of the Assembly of State Parties in New York from 7 to 17 December 2020.

Ms. Shava was elected by the Assembly of State Parties in December 2017 and was further elected by her peers to serve as the Vice Chair of the Audit Committee of the International Criminal Court (the Court). In March 2020, she was elected to serve as the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Court.

Ms. Shava is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya and a management consultant with over twenty-seven (27) years of experience in management and legal consultancy. She serves on various boards and committees and has been engaged as an expert in various high-level assignments. In accordance with the requirements for nomination, enclosed herewith are the statement of qualifications and curriculum vitae of Ms. Shava.

Statement of qualifications

Bio data summary

<i>Education</i>	MA (Democratic Studies); LLB (Hons); Dip Law (KSL); Certified Public Secretary; Certified Mediator
<i>Experience</i>	27 years
<i>Nationality</i>	Kenyan
<i>Languages</i>	English, Kiswahili, French, local languages

Membership of professional societies

- Law Society of Kenya
- Certified Public Secretaries (Kenya)
- Mediation Institute of East Africa

Key experience

- Advocate of the High Court of Kenya of 27 years standing
- An experienced, high-level manager having worked in Legal practice, private sector, the United Nations, International NGO and Government sectors.
- Significant financial and budgetary responsibility with fundraising and programme management skills.
- Board Level responsibility for Budget, Finance and Administration, Audit, Risk and Governance.

Key skills and competencies

- Management
- Corporate and Commercial Law

- Strategic Planning
- Budgetary and Financial planning and oversight
- Refugee and Humanitarian Law
- Transitional Justice
- Corporate Governance
- Mediation
- Communication

Key capabilities and achievements

2017 Appointment to the Board of Total Kenya PLC, an international oil marketing company, appointed to Board committees including:

- Risk and Governance (Chair)
- Audit (Member)
- Nominations (Member and Secretary).

2015 Presidential appointment as a member of the Tribunal to investigate the conduct of suspended Chair and Vice Chair of the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission.

2009 Presidential appointment as a Commissioner of the Truth Justice and Reconciliation Commission of Kenya. Status equivalent to High Court Judge. Oversight of a budget of US \$12.5 million with a staff component of 150 persons. Editing and publication of Kenya's Truth Justice and Reconciliation Commission Report in 6 volumes

2003 Senior Regional Programme Manager for the Great Lakes programme of International Alert. Organisational strategic lead in national programme development. Personal budgetary responsibility for over 250,000 Pounds Sterling. Inception of the Regional Analysts Network in Rwanda, Burundi and DRC and production of inaugural report.

Career background

Over 27 years working experience in Law, Management, Legal Consultancy, Peace Building and Transitional Justice, holding Public Office, working in various economic sectors, as well as in the United Nations Organisation and national and international NGOs.

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 USA. 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. Work cited for best practices and high standards.

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

Joined International Alert, a medium sized peace building NGO based in London, UK, 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 Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia and the DRC. 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 £Stg 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 03 August 2009.

After successfully concluding and winding up operations at the Truth Justice and Reconciliation Commission in August 2013, engaged in Legal consultancies, including 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.

Education

The University of Leeds, UK, M A Democratic Studies, fully sponsored by a Ford Foundation fellowship. The University of Buckingham, UK, 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. Certified Mediator.

Experience

Board memberships

- TOTAL Kenya PLC – Board Member; Chair of the Risk and Governance Committee; Member of the Audit Committee; Member of the Nominations Committee

- Jockey Club of Kenya – Board Member
- Family Businesses
- Church advisory committee- Legal and Financial focus

January 2015 – present

Law Firm Proprietor

Founding partner, Ngugi Shava & Associates, Advocates, a practice focussed on corporate and commercial matters. Specialising in 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

Independent Consultant and Expert

Member of the Committee on Budget and Finance at the International Criminal Court at The Hague.

Chair of the Audit Committee of the International Criminal Court at The Hague. Duties focus on providing expert advice on budget in the range of 145 million Euros, to the Assembly of States Parties.

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.

Member of the Danish Refugee Council
Appointed by the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth to the Eminent Persons Observer Group for the 2015 Elections in the United Republic of Tanzania.

Appointed by His Excellency the President as a member of the Tribunal to investigate the suspended chairperson and the suspended vice chairperson of the Kenya Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission.

Various speaking and Research engagements. Facilitation of workshops, including for the Geneva-based Nansen Initiative on climate change and movement of persons

July 2009 – August 2013

Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission of Kenya – Commissioner

After Kenya's General Elections were held in December 2007, widespread violence broke out as the results of the Presidential election were contested. Subsequent events led Kenya to the most serious political challenge in its post-Independence history whereby the stability of the State and the viability of the Nation lay under threat. After a process of national dialogue, one of the institutions established to address the long term issues leading to the crisis was the Truth Justice and Reconciliation Commission.

After a competitive national process, 6 Kenyan Commissioners were appointed by H.E. the President of the Republic of Kenya on 22 July 2009 to lead the institution, together with the three international Commissioners appointed through the African Union's Panel of Eminent Persons. Commissioners enjoy a status of the level of High Court judges.

At the height of its operations, The Commission had a staff of approximately 150 persons and was allocated a budget of over 1 billion Kenya Shillings (approximately 12.5 million US Dollars)

Based in Nairobi but travelling frequently throughout the country, providing strategic leadership to the process. Duties included designing the process, recruitment of key staff, liaising with key government bodies and officials as well as international organisations, fundraising and conducting public Hearings, leading to the production of the Final Report. This was presented to HE the President of the Republic of Kenya on 22 May 2013 and thereafter widely disseminated through the Internet, inserts in public newspapers, and discussion fora, with printed copies being delivered to the Executive, the Legislature and the Judiciary. Member of the Committees on Finance and Administration; and Communications. Commissioner leading committees on Report Writing; and Research.

Key achievements included critical input and participation leading to the stabilisation of the Commission after a controversial start; providing leadership during public Hearings, including those focussing on Women and on Children, and those focussing on Refugees; representing the Commission through speaking in public *fora* with local and international audiences; key participant on interventions with Parliament, Ministry of Justice, and Ministry of Finance; the finalisation and production of the Report; and its dissemination. Principal organiser and key participant in Hearings for Kenyan Refugees in Kiriyaongo settlement, Uganda.

June 2003 – July 2009

International Alert - Senior Programme Officer – Great Lakes

Founded 21 years ago by Martin Ennals, previously the Secretary General of Amnesty International, Alert is the pioneering INGO in this field. Presently based in Nairobi, Kenya, running programmes with a regional perspective throughout the countries of the Great Lakes Region of Africa. Providing an overview linking Alert's country programmes in the region with regional initiatives and perspectives. Partnering with high level policy makers such as parliamentarians and religious leaders, with independent researchers and analysts, and with women's research and advocacy organisations to influence peace throughout the region. Some key achievements include directing the transition of the Great Lakes Parliamentary Forum on Peace – the AMANI Forum – from a programme of Alert to a successful independent organisation. Actualising the birth of the Regional Analysts Network – RAN – and coordinating its inaugural research project on the impact on conflict of rumours, myths, prejudice and stereotypes. Coordinating an important research project in partnership with the East African sub-regional Support Initiative for the Advancement of Women – EASSI - on women's participation in political transitions. Founder core member of the Great Lakes Ecumenical Forum – GLEF – which brings together inter religious leaders to seek solutions to violent conflicts in the region at both community level and the highest political levels. Key participant in fundraising, including proposal writing and donor liaison, both within and outside the region. Lobbied for and attained observer status in the International Conference in the Great Lakes Region. Successful relationship building with various political and religious leaders to facilitate organisational objectives. Speaker at various regional meetings held by organisations including the Parliamentary Forum on Small Arms and Urgent Action Fund Africa

September 2002 – May 2003

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Headquarters, Geneva (Consultant)

Team Leader, Refugee Status Determination (RSD) exercise for Eritrean refugees in Gedaref, NE Sudan, pursuant to the application of the ceased circumstances cessation clause. Co-ordinating and supervising teams in Wad Medani and Gedaref states comprising up to 60 UNHCR lawyers and their government counterparts, each assisted by Interpreters, Registrars and Drivers also under my direct supervision. Creating work plans to achieve the objective within the stipulated time frame, providing guidance on legal issues, liaising with government officials and the RSD co-ordinator in Khartoum, as well as with UNHCR HQ in Geneva; constant travel covering an area of approximately 40,000 km, to supervise teams in outlying refugee camps. Led the first team to successfully complete the exercise.

1998, 1999, 2000, 2001

Various legal consultancies, including facilitating Sexual and Gender based Violence training workshops in UNHCR Kakuma and Dadaab refugee camps; conducting RSD and Resettlement work for UNHCR; rapporteuring and organising workshops for UNHCR; and facilitating workshops and conducting research for various NGOs such as FIDA-Kenya.

***September 2001 – August 2002**

(Study sabbatical in the UK – not in formal employment)

October 2000 – February 2001

UNHCR Consultant Legal Screener/ Protection Officer, Sudan

Pursuant to the application of the “ceased circumstances” cessation clause to all pre-1991 Ethiopian refugees, deployed to conduct RSD exercise in Sudan. Appointed team leader, Wad Medani and subsequently, team leader, Gedaref. After successful conclusion of this exercise, deployed to conduct RSD of Eritrean military combatants in Shagarab camp. Upon the opening of UNHCR Sub-Office Kassala after military skirmishes, prepared for RSD of pre 1991 Ethiopian refugees in Kassala area. In the New Year, briefed to take up the responsibilities of the Protection Officer, UNHCR Sub-Office Es Showak, in his absence on leave. Conducted RSD exercise in New Halfa and in Kassala. Assisted in concluding RSD exercise in Khartoum. Conducted training session for RSD team in Khartoum on Resettlement. Led one team in identifying and processing Resettlement cases.

Jun 1999 – Oct 2000

*UNHCR, Branch Office Nairobi , and UNHCR Regional Service Centre, Nairobi
(Senior Protection Assistant)*

Performed a wide variety of Legal tasks falling under the Department of International Protection of the UNHCR. Reporting to the Assistant Representative (Protection), carried out all aspects of the International Protection of refugee rights. Direct interviews of refugees, report writing and status determination. Interventions with government Executive and Judicial authorities. Liaising with UNHCR offices world-wide, with governments and diplomatic missions. Facilitating Durable Solutions for refugees, such as Local Integration, Resettlement and Voluntary Repatriation.

Jun 1998 – Dec 1998

UNHCR Branch Office Nairobi (Consultant Legal Screener, Deputy Co-ordinator)

Determining the status of asylum seekers according to international refugee law. Deputising in her absence for the Project Co-ordinator in Legal and Administrative matters.

Sept 1997 – Apr 1998

TACK International Management Consultants (Consultant)

Participated in Management Training assignments, set up the Executive Selection Unit

***Feb 1995 – Aug 1997**

(Resident in the United States; not in formal employment)

Feb 1994 –Feb 1995

Archer & Wilcock, Advocates (Advocate)

Deputised for Legal Consultant in Conveyancing of large urban housing estate. Worked closely with Senior Partner in Commercial and Probate matters. Represented Senior Partner on the Attorney-General's Task Force on Media.

Jul 1991 –Aug 1993

Credit Reference of Kenya Limited (Chief Legal Officer)

Key member of the team responsible for creating the first credit rating agency in Kenya. Headed the legal department, recruiting and supervising staff, administering a business unit.

Jan 1990 – Jun 1991

Kenya Breweries Limited (Assistant to Company Secretary)

Assisted the Group Company Secretary in Legal, Administrative, Human Resources and Company Secretarial duties

Apr 1988 – Dec1989

Waruhiu & Muite, Advocates (Pupil)

Learning legal practice in fulfillment of requirements under the Advocates Act

Affiliations

Law Society of Kenya (*Member*)

Certified Public Secretaries of Kenya (*Member*)

Mediation Training Institute of East Africa (*Alumnus*)

ICGLR Levy Mwanawasa Regional Centre for Democracy and Good Governance (*Fellow*)

Kenya Women in Mining Caucus (*Member*)

WiLDAF - Kenya

(Women in Law and Development in Africa -a Pan African Women's organisation)
(*Past Chairperson*)

FIDA - Kenya

(Federation of Women Lawyers – Kenya) (*Member*)

African Women's Leadership Institute (*Alumnus*)

British Council (*Member*)

Chevening Scholar

Ford Foundation (*Past Fellow*)

Young Career Women

(Affiliate Member of International Federation of Business and Professional Women)
(*Past Chairperson*)

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Curriculum vitae

Bio data summary

<i>Education</i>	MA (Democratic Studies); LLB (Hons); Dip Law (KSL); Certified Public Secretary; Certified Mediator
<i>Experience</i>	27 years
<i>Nationality</i>	Kenyan
<i>Languages</i>	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/Committees of

- TOTAL Kenya PLC (international oil marketing company)
- The International Criminal Court
- Jockey Club of Kenya (equine regulatory authority)
- Family real estate and commercial agricultural enterprises
- Church advisory committee

Key skills and competencies

- Management
- Commercial Law
- Corporate Governance
- Mediation
- Strategic Planning
- Communication

Recent experience**January 2015 – present*****Law Firm Proprietor***

Focussing 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.

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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. Facilitation of workshops, including for the Geneva-based Nansen Initiative on climate change and movement of persons.

Career background

Over 27 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 USA. 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, UK, 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 Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia and the DRC. 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 £Stg 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 03 August 2009.

Key participant in various committees, including Finance and Administration, overseeing a budget of up to US\$12.5 million.

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

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6. SOPKOVÁ, Elena (Slovakia)

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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 of the International Criminal Court and, with reference to the Secretariat's note verbal Ref. ICC-ASP/19SP/12 of 16 March 2020 has the honour 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 for the period 2021-2023 at the election to be held during the nineteenth session of the assembly of States Parties in New York from 7 to 17 December 2020.

Throughout her professional career, Ms. Elena Sopková acquired extensive knowledge and experience in the field of economics, 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 effective and efficient.

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 as amended), 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 verbal.

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.

Curriculum vitae

Personal details

Family name	Sopková
First name	Elena
Date of birth	27 July 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 2019 Economic Adviser, Expert Group, k.s., Bratislava
- Since 2016 Member of the Audit Committee of the International Criminal Court,
2016-2019 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, English fluent
- French fluent
- German, Russian passive knowledge

Other skills

- IT skills Work with PC, Microsoft Word, Excel, Internet
- Other Driving license
-