

## **Medina Quiroga, Cecilia (Chile)**

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### **Note verbale**

The Embassy of the Republic of Chile 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 to inform that the Republic of Chile has decided to present the candidacy of Dr. Cecilia Medina Quiroga for the post of judge of the International Criminal Court, which has become vacant as a result of the resignation of Judge Mohamed Shahabuddeen of the Republic of Guyana, for the elections scheduled to be held during the eighth session of the Assembly, from 18 to 26 November 2009 in The Hague.

Dr. Medina Quiroga has been the President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights for the period 2008 to 2009 and has performed her duties as a judge of that Court from 2004 to 2009.

Dr. Medina Quiroga has been nominated for the election in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (ii), of the Rome Statute, and for the purposes of article 36, paragraph 5, of the Rome Statute, Dr. Medina Quiroga stands for election on list B.

Attached to this note can be found the letter of nomination of the National Group of the Republic of Chile at the Permanent Court of Arbitration, a statement in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a), of the Rome Statute and paragraph 6 of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6, as well as the curriculum vitae of Dr. Medina Quiroga.

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### **Letter from Chile's National Group at the Permanent Court of Arbitration**

In our capacity as members of the National Group of Chile at the Permanent Court of Arbitration, and in accordance with the provisions of article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (ii), of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, we have the honour to present the candidacy of Doctor Cecilia Medina Quiroga for the post of judge at the International Criminal Court.

Doctor Cecilia Medina Quiroga possesses high moral character, impartiality and integrity, as shown in her vast experience and career in the field of law and, especially, in international law and human rights. She is a graduate in Social and Juridical Sciences of the University of Chile and Doctor in Law of the University of Utrecht, the Netherlands. Her current position is Professor of International Public Law, Law Faculty of the University of Chile and Co-Director of the Human Rights Center of the University of Chile. She is also a Member of the Academic Board of the Doctor's Programme of the Law Faculty of that same University.

From 2004 until this year, she also held the position of Judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, being its President during the period 2008 to 2009.

From 1999 until 2000, Professor Medina was also President of the United Nations Human Rights Committee, from 1997 to 1998 Vice-President of this Committee, and from 1995 until 2002 member of the same Committee.

Doctor Cecilia Medina is also very experienced and specialized in the gender topic. She has given various courses and lectures on women's rights at the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (San José, Costa Rica); at the Maastricht Centre for Human Rights and Women in the Law Project of the International Human Rights Group, Maastricht, the Netherlands; and at the American Society of International Law.

She has published numerous books and articles on the subject of human rights of women, adolescents and victims.

We therefore kindly request you to include the name of Dr. Cecilia Medina in the list of candidates for election to the post of judge at the International Criminal Court, in accordance with article 36, paragraph 5, of the Rome Statute, in list B.

*Signed:*

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