Agbanrin-Elisha, Victoire Désirée Adétoro (Benin)

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Note verbale

The Minister of Benin for Foreign Affairs, African Integration, the Francophone community and Expatriate Beninese presents his compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and has the honour to submit to the Secretariat as an attachment hereto a file on the nomination of Maître Victoire Désirée Adétoro Agbanrin-Elisha, Advocate at the Cotonou Court of Appeal, as candidate in the elections for judges of the International Criminal Court, scheduled to be held in January 2009 at the first resumption of the seventh session of the Assembly of States Parties.

The Government of Benin nominates Maître Agbanrin-Elisha for election on list A.

As can be seen from the curriculum vitae attached hereto, Maître Agbanrin-Elisha served as judge, counsellor and prosecutor in the courts of Benin from 1970 to 1988, before establishing a practice as advocate at the Cotonou Court of Appeal on her retirement in 1989.

On the basis of her experience and proven abilities, this candidate had already been shortlisted in 2003 for the post of Deputy Prosecutor at the Court.

This nomination is submitted by the Government of Benin with the intention of providing the international criminal justice system with the opportunity to benefit from the experience and professionalism of Maître Agbanrin-Elisha.

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