

Sifuentes, Mônica Jacqueline (Brazil)

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Note verbale

The Embassy of the Federative Republic of Brazil presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties and, with reference to note verbales ICC-ASP/19/SP/01 and ICC-ASP/19/SP/20, has the honor to convey hereby the nomination of Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes for a post of judge at the International Criminal Court (ICC), List A, in the elections to be held during the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute (New York, 7-17 December).

Dr. Sifuentes is a Federal Judge at the Regional Federal Tribunal (First Region) of Brazil, and has both extensive judicial experience and expertise in relevant areas of international law. Dr. Sifuentes is nominated for election under the terms of article 36, paragraph 4(a)(i), of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, i.e. by the procedure for the nomination of candidates for appointment to the highest judicial offices in Brazil. She meets all the conditions of high moral character, impartiality, integrity, experience and seniority required in Brazil for the appointment to the highest judicial offices, in accordance with article 36(3)(a) of the Rome Statute.

Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes has 28 years of judicial experience. In her work as a Federal Judge, she routinely analyses the most serious and complex criminal cases, including cases of federal political crimes. Due to her experience as a criminal judge, Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes is being nominated for inclusion in List A, meant for candidates with established competence in criminal law and procedure, and the necessary relevant experience, whether as judge, prosecutor, advocate or in other similar capacity, in criminal proceedings.

The Embassy has the further honor to highlight that, in addition to her experience as a Federal Judge, Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes also has extensive international experience, acquired by judging cases of international drug trafficking and crimes covered by international treaties or conventions, especially those related to human rights issues. Dr. Sifuentes has developed particular expertise in cases involving international traffic in persons, especially those related to trafficking in women. Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes has also been acting for more than 13 years as the Liaison Judge in Brazil for the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. In such role, she has helped the resolution of international disputes concerning the international abduction of children and has answered many consultations from foreign judges about the operations of the Brazilian judicial system, its laws and procedures.

Due to her recognized competence in both criminal law and in relevant areas of international law, Dr. Mônica Jacqueline Sifuentes meets the highest standards established in article 36 of the Rome Statute, thus qualifying her to stand for a seat in the International Criminal Court in the elections to be held during the nineteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties. A more detailed account of her background can be found in the supporting documents (curriculum vitae and statement of qualifications) attached herewith, which have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6.
