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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Sierra Leone to the United Nations in New York 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 the latter that the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone, following the decision of the autonomous Judicial and Legal Service Commission of Sierra Leone, has nominated Judge Miatta Maria Samba for election as a Judge of the Court in List A, for the term 2021 to 2030. The elections will take place during the Nineteenth Session of the Assembly of States Parties in December 2020 in New York.

Judge Samba complies fully with the requirements of article 36, paragraph 3, and her competence, outstanding qualifications and experience would make her valuable in advancing the principles, objectives and values of the Rome Statute. Her nomination is also consistent with the commitment of the Republic of Sierra Leone and other States Parties to geographical and gender balance at the Court.

Judge Samba is of high moral character, integrity, and a record of impartiality. She has twenty years of international and domestic experience as a criminal law practitioner and judge. Internationally, she was an Associate Prosecutor at the Special Court of Sierra Leone, and Field Operations Officer for the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court in Uganda. Domestically, Judge Samba was Senior Prosecutor at the Anti-Corruption Commission of Sierra Leone, before her appointment as a High Court Judge (the highest court of first instance for criminal cases). For further information on Judge Samba's extensive experience and knowledge in criminal law, international humanitarian law, international human rights law and rules of procedure and evidence, kindly find enclosed her curriculum vitae and statement of qualifications.

Judge Samba is currently a Justice of the Court of Appeal of Sierra Leone and a judge of the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone. She will be available for all nominations related activities, including interviews to be conducted by the Advisory Committee on Nominations (ACN) of Judges and the public roundtable(s). Judge Samba is committed to make herself available for bilateral engagements with States Parties in New York prior to the ACN interviews.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Sierra Leone to the United Nations in New York avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 26th February 2020

**THE SECRETARIAT OF STATES PARTIES TO THE
ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT
THE HAGUE**

