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Executive summary of relevant experience

My previous diplomatic career includes over 20 years' experience as an effective public service manager in the United Kingdom and overseas, ranging from middle management roles in UK central government and two of the UK's largest overseas missions to 8 years as a Head of Mission in Cyprus and the Netherlands.

In these roles I had responsibility not just for policy delivery but for the efficient management of public funds and human resources within budget constraints, ensuring high standards of team performance and the delivery of concrete outcomes across a wide range of subject areas, as well as the delivery of efficient and cost-effective public services.

As a Head of Mission strong leadership ability, clear strategic vision, sound decision-making and excellent communication skills were all essential requirements. As Ambassador in The Hague, I also gained valuable first-hand experience of the working relationships between the ICC and its States Parties, not least from my role as Chair of the Oversight Committee on the Permanent Premises.

As Chef de Cabinet to the President of the ICC since March 2011 I have been actively involved in inter-organ work on a wide range of strategic management issues including the development and implementation of the ICC budget, strategic planning and the new risk management framework, as well as having responsibility for the Judiciary budget and for advising the President and Presidency on a wide range of internal and external issues.

My professional background also includes experience in the practicalities of managing missions in the field, security management and the modernisation of IT systems. I can bring extensive experience of bilateral and multilateral negotiation to the vital area of securing the practical cooperation of States Parties and others. On a more personal level, I enjoy working in a multi-cultural environment, and am comfortable in both working languages of the Court.

Finally, I have a legal background, including a law degree and experience teaching international law among other subjects as a University Lecturer, as well as subsequent practical experience of the negotiation of international agreements, EU legislation and implementation in national law.
