International Criminal Court

Fifth ICC-ASP Bureau Meeting 9 March 2007 Agenda and Decisions

1. Facilitators and organization of the New York Working Group

The Bureau approved the appointment of Mr. Marko Rakovec (Slovenia) as facilitator for the issue of arrears. The President indicated that consultations continued regarding the appointment of the facilitator for proposals for an oversight mechanism.

The Bureau recommended that the Coordinator of the New York Working Group and the different facilitators based in New York consult and prepare a programme of work for the current year. In making such a recommendation the Bureau stressed the need to institutionalize the work of the New York Working Group and to more evenly distribute its work during the whole year in order to facilitate the substantive discussions.

2. Sixth session of the Assembly of States Parties

The Bureau considered issues related to the organization of the sixth session of the Assembly of States Parties and decided:

- a) To invite the Secretary General of the United Nations to the opening of the session as soon as possible.
- b) To hold a general debate and invite Ministers to attend the session.
- c) To include in the provisional agenda of the session the item "Election of the President of the Assembly of States Parties". The Bureau felt that early election of the next President, as done during the previous election, would give enough time to States Parties for consultations.

3. Other matters

a) Cooperation

As regards its 31 January 2007 decision on the issue of cooperation, the Bureau requested the Court to submit by 30 March the following:

- i) a consolidated report on the issue of cooperation, which would also establish priorities; and,
- ii) a list of the provisions of the Rome Statute and relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions that deal with the issue of cooperation.

b) Committee on Budget and Finance

The Bureau decided that the period for nomination of members of the Committee on Budget and Finance would run from 1 June to 24 August 2007. It was decided that the letter informing States about the nomination period should be issued as soon as it was available.

c) Intersessional meeting on the Crime of Aggression

The President informed the Bureau that the invitation letter for the intersessional meeting of the Special Working Group on the Crime of Aggression to be held in Princeton was ready and would be sent to States soon.

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