

Statement of qualifications

Statement submitted in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a), of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and paragraph 6 of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6 of the Assembly of States Parties relating to the procedure for the nomination and election of judges of the International Criminal Court.

The Government of the Hellenic Republic has decided to nominate, in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (ii), Ms. Phani Dascalopoulou-Livada, currently Legal Adviser and Head of the Section of Public International Law at the Legal Department of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, for a post of judge of the International Criminal Court in the elections to be held during the resumed seventh session of the Assembly of States Parties in New York from 19 to 23 January 2009.

Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada is a person of high moral character, impartiality and integrity who possesses the qualifications required in Greece for appointment to the highest judicial offices (article 36, paragraph 3 (a)).

As derived from her curriculum vitae, Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada fulfils the requirements of article 36, paragraph 3 (b) (ii). Having been Legal Adviser to the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs for a long period of time, she has established competence in relevant areas of international law, in particular international humanitarian law and the law of human rights, as well as extensive experience in a professional legal capacity which is of relevance to the judicial work of the Court.

Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada, whose mother tongue is Greek, has excellent knowledge of and is fluent in both English and French.

She is nominated for inclusion in list B for the purposes of paragraph 5 of article 36 of the Statute.

The information relating to article 36, paragraph 8 (a) (i) to (iii), is as follows:

Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada is a trained lawyer who has been admitted to the Athens Bar and has exercised the profession of lawyer and legal adviser in Greece, which has a civil law legal system. Having studied law at postgraduate level in the United Kingdom, she also has broad knowledge of the common law system.

She is a national of Greece, which is a member of the Western European and Others Group of States, and does not possess any other nationality.

Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada is female.

In connection with paragraph 8 (b) of article 36, Ms. Dascalopoulou-Livada has legal expertise on a wide range of specific issues relevant to the work of the Court. In particular:

- She has undertaken numerous academic activities and has broad practical experience in matters relating to international humanitarian and human rights law. She has, furthermore, taken part in the process of negotiation and adoption of various international instruments relating to these branches of law.
- She has profound knowledge of the Rome Statute, the elaboration of which she has closely followed and actively contributed to since the initiation of the relevant process. Her particular emphasis was on questions of jurisdiction, admissibility and complementarity, war crimes and the crime of aggression.

- She has long standing experience in dealing with matters of international judicial assistance and extradition, as well as with issues of cooperation with international criminal tribunals. She has, furthermore, participated in the internal procedure for the ratification of the Rome Statute and its introduction in the Greek legal order.