



**Eleventh ICC-ASP Bureau Meeting
19 August 2009
Agenda and Decisions**

The Vice-President of the Assembly, Ambassador Zachary D. Muburi-Muita (Kenya), chaired the meeting.

1. Judicial vacancies

The Bureau began its consideration of whether, in light of the ratification of the Rome Statute by the Czech Republic on 21 July 2009, which brought the total number of Eastern European States Parties to 17, there might be implications regarding possible nominations from the Group of Eastern European States, particularly bearing in mind paragraph 20 (b) and paragraph 27 (d) of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6 and the consequences for equitable geographical representation. Divergent views were expressed in this regard, and the Bureau agreed to further discuss the issue at its next meeting.

2. Review Conference

(a) Provisional agenda

At the outset, the Chairperson indicated that the United Nations Secretary-General conveyed the invitations to the Review Conference, addressed to all Heads of State, on 7 August 2009 and that it was the intention of the President of the Assembly to circulate, in the coming weeks, a follow-up letter with additional information and the draft provisional agenda of the Conference. The Bureau agreed that the President's letter should include the current draft provisional agenda, which would be subject to further discussions in the New York Working Group.

(b) Duration of the Conference

In accordance with the decision taken at its seventh meeting, on 7 April 2009, the Bureau confirmed its understanding that the Conference should start on 31 May 2010. However, as regards the duration of the Conference, divergent views were expressed. The suggestion was made to schedule the Conference for a total of 8 working days (6 plus 2) from Monday, 31 May to Tuesday, 8 June 2010, with Saturday, 5 June counting as a working day.

The Bureau agreed to further consider the issue at its next meeting.

3. Other matters

(a) Reports of the Working Groups

The Chairperson reminded the facilitators of the Working Groups to complete their work by the end of August, so that their respective reports could be considered by the Bureau and transmitted for translation into the official languages of the Assembly well in advance of the eighth session.

In this connection, the Chairperson indicated that the draft report of the Bureau on the Plan of action for achieving universality and full implementation of the Rome Statute, prepared by the facilitator, Mr. Marko Rakovec (Slovenia), had been circulated per e-mail for consideration and approval by the Bureau via a silence procedure.

(b) *Working Capital Fund*

The Chairperson informed the Bureau that via a letter, dated 12 August 2009, addressed to the President of the Assembly and the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Finance, the Registrar announced that, despite the efforts to find efficiencies and savings, the Court would have to access the Working Capital Fund.

At its seventh session, the Assembly had decided in resolution ICC-ASP/7/Res.4, to allow the Court to draw up to €5 million from the Working Capital Fund, following notification by the Registrar to the President of the Assembly and the Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance.

(c) *Staff Pension Committee*

The Bureau was informed of the resignation of Mr. Akbar Khan (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) from the Court's Staff Pension Committee, effective as of 12 October 2009.

The Bureau requested The Hague Working Group to identify a new member for appointment by the Bureau.

(d) *Nominations for the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for victims*

The Chairperson indicated that, on 7 August 2009, the Government of Mongolia nominated Mr. Bulgaa Altangerel for re-election to the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for victims.

In accordance with paragraph 4 of resolution ICC-ASP/1/Res.7, the nomination period had been extended to 25 August 2009.
