Cour Pénale Internationale

International Criminal Court

16th ICC-ASP Bureau Meeting July 13th, 2006 Agenda and Decisions

1. Secondment of ICC Personnel

The Bureau was informed of the request addressed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the Prosecutor of the ICC regarding the release of the Deputy Prosecutor for Investigation of the ICC, Mr. Serge Brammertz, for an additional period of approximately five months, until 31 December 2006, to continue as Commissioner of the United Nations International Independent Investigation Commission (UNIIIC). The Bureau took note of the subsequent letters sent by the Prosecutor to the President of the ASP on June 26 and of the letter sent by the President of the ASP to the States Parties on June 30 by which States Parties were invited to communicate any concerns they may have regarding the extension of the release by July 7. The Bureau was also informed that no formal objections were received by the Secretariat of the ASP and that the Prosecutor had therefore acquiesced to the release until 31 December 2006. The Bureau was of the view that it may be necessary for the ASP, at its fifth session, to consider providing adequate guidance as to any future requests for the release or secondment of ICC personnel.

2. Vacancy of the Director of the Secretariat of the ASP

The President informed the Bureau of the need to post a vacancy announcement for the position of Director of the Secretariat of the ASP and circulated the vacancy announcement (03-ADM-109-SP) as reference. The Bureau agreed in general with the duties and responsibilities assigned to the position and decided to modify the competence requirements as follows: "Advanced university degree in public or business administration, or related area such as **law or** social science." It was also of the view that the years of experience requirement could be lowered from 20 to 15 years if permitted by the standards and guidelines for recruitment at the ICC.

In accordance with the procedure followed in 2003, the Bureau decided to constitute a selection subcommittee in order to select the Director from the list of initial candidates that will be submitted by the Registrar (compiled from the requests to the vacancy announcement). It was agreed that each regional group would select one Bureau member to produce the shortlist of candidates to be interviewed by the Bureau.

The President also informed the Bureau that the UN Legal Adviser had acquiesced to his request for an extension of Mr. Renan Villacis' secondment until 31 December 2006 in order to allow for some degree of continuity in the SASP.

3. Guidelines for the submission of documentation to the ASP The issue was raised in the Bureau for information purposes only as the draft Manual of Procedures had not yet been distributed.

4. Progress report of the Coordinator/Facilitators of the New York Working Group

The issue was raised in the Bureau for information purposes only. The Facilitator on the issue of participation in the ASP and measures to increase ratifications of the Rome Statute, Ms. Jennifer McIver, gave a comprehensive verbal report and circulated the latest version of the draft report of the Working Group on these matters.

5. Other Matters

Taking into account that the Eastern European Group (EEG) had endorsed the candidature of Mr. Juhani Lemmik, Audit Manager of the State Audit Office of Estonia to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF), the Bureau decided to open the nomination period on 24 July 2006 for a period of two weeks.

The President informed the Bureau that Ambassador Colleen Swords (Canada) would not be able to continue as Coordinator of The Hague Working Group in light of her appointment to a senior position in Ottawa. No successor has yet been suggested by The Hague Working Group.

The President informed the Bureau that Ambassador Kalimi Mugambi Mworia (Kenya) had been suggested as Facilitator for the issues of equitable geographic representation and gender balance in the recruitment of staff members of the ICC. The Bureau took note of the appointment.

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