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The New Zealand Embassy presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties and has the honour to refer to the Secretariat's Note ICC-ASP/11/SP/PA/12 dated 26 June 2012, seeking information concerning States Parties' activities in the promotion of universality and the full implementation of the Rome Statute.

The Embassy has the honour to attach the completed questionnaire provided in Annex III of the above-referenced Note. A link to the online version of New Zealand's implementing legislation is also provided in this note.

The Embassy has the further honour to note that matters related to promotion of ratification and full implementation should be addressed to the Director of the Legal Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand. The contact email address is lgl@mfat.govt.nz.

With respect to the promotion of ratification of the Rome Statute the Embassy is pleased to advise the Secretariat that on 16 February 2012 the Government of Australia, the Government of New Zealand and the Commonwealth Secretariat convened a Roundtable in Sydney, Australia to discuss issues relating to the accession of Pacific States to the Rome Statute and the implementation of Rome Statute obligations under domestic law.

The purposes of the Roundtable were twofold: to provide information to assist Pacific States in their consideration of accession and/or the development and adoption of implementing legislation, and to learn more about the challenges faced by Pacific States in considering accession and implementation of the Rome Statute. The Embassy confirms that New Zealand remains willing to continue to provide advice and assist Pacific States, where possible.

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The New Zealand Embassy takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties the assurances of its highest consideration.



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Encl: Link to the International Crimes and International Criminal Court Act
2000:
[http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2000/0026/latest/DLM63091.ht
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Answers to the Implementing Legislation Questionnaire

Implementing Legislation Questionnaire

1. Yes, The New Zealand Government enacted the International Crimes and International Criminal Court Act 2000, which implements the Rome Statute.
5. Yes, the New Zealand Government implemented stand-alone legislation.
6. The International Crimes and International Criminal Court Act 2000 incorporates the substantive crimes into New Zealand domestic law.
7. Yes, section 24 of the Act lists the type of assistance New Zealand can provide to the International Criminal Court (this includes the forms of assistance listed in the questionnaire from (a) – (f)). Please see Parts 3, 4 and 5 of the International Crimes and International Criminal Court Act 2000 for further details.
8. Section 25 of the Act provides that a request for assistance from the International Criminal Court must be made through Diplomatic Channels.