



BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES

Sixteenth meeting

21 November 2013

Agenda and decisions

1. Twelfth session of the Assembly

i) Designation of national tellers for the elections

The Bureau agreed to recommend that the Assembly designate the following persons to serve as national tellers to assist with the elections foreseen:

African group – Ms. Caroline Wamaitha (Kenya)

Asia-Pacific group- Ms Risa Saijo (Japan)

Eastern Europe group – Mr. Peter Klanduch (Slovakia)

Latin American and Caribbean group- Mr. Miguel Angel Gonzalez Ocampo (Colombia)

ii) General debate

The President indicated that in light of the lengthy list of speakers in the general debate, it would continue on 21 November, until 14:30 hours. If necessary, arrangements would be made for the continuation of the general debate in the evening or at another time.

2. Update on the Special segment

The President informed the Bureau that the plans for the panel discussion were under the control of the moderator, the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations, H.R.H. Prince Zeid Ra'ad Zeid Al-Husseini. The confirmed panellists were Professor Cherif Bassiouni, Chair of the Drafting Committee at the 1998 Rome Conference, Professor Charles Jalloh, who had been suggested by African States Parties members of the Bureau, and Ms. Djenaba Diarra, Acting Legal Counsel of the African Union, also suggested by African States Parties. Ambassador Rolf Einar Fife, Director General of the Department of Legal Affairs of Norway, who had been one of the coordinators at the 1998 Rome Conference, had prepared a pre-recorded video contribution.

The representative of Uganda informed the Bureau that the African group had agreed by consensus to propose that Professor Githu Muigai, Attorney-General of Kenya, be included as a panelist for the Special segment. The President undertook to inform the moderator of the panel of the group's decision.

The President clarified that the interventions of the panellists would be followed by an informal interactive discussion and drew reference to the explanatory memorandum set out

in the annex to document ICC-ASP/12/1/Add.2,¹ which contained the modalities for the panel discussion. She recalled that previous Bureau decisions as well as the work programme envisaged that the time of the panel would be extended if necessary.

3. Other matters

As regards the status of the consideration of the proposed amendments to rules 68 and 100 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence by the Working Group on Amendments, the President referred to the report of the Working Group² which contained recommendations for the consideration of the Assembly. She also noted that additional consultations of the Working Group on Amendments would take place during the session.

¹ Recommendation by the Bureau for the inclusion of an additional item in the agenda of the twelfth session of the Assembly of States Parties of the International Criminal Court.

² ICC-ASP/12/44.