Statement of qualifications

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

1. A detailed overview of how the candidate fulfils the requirements of article 36, paragraph 3 (a):

Considering that Judge Dragomir Vukoje was appointed by the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the position of judge with the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina, a position which, aside from professional qualifications, also requires that the person possesses professional impartiality and high moral standing, the requirement of article 36, paragraph 3 (a), is satisfied.

2. A detailed overview of how the candidate fulfils the requirements of article 36, paragraph 3 (b):

The curriculum vitae shows, as does the position of judge of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina which Mr. Vukoje holds, that the candidate in question has performed the duties of judge since 1994 to this day, exclusively working on criminal cases, while at the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina he has performed duties of chairperson of the first instance trial chamber in cases covering crimes against humanity and values protected by international law, this being one of the most difficult fields of criminal law. He has also been a judge of the Appellate Department, Section I for War Crimes of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina, again in criminal cases. The aforesaid shows that the candidate satisfies the criteria in article 36, paragraph 3 (b) (ii) - the field of international humanitarian law.

3. A detailed overview of how the candidate fulfils the requirements of article 36, paragraph 3 (c):

As proof that the candidate has excellent knowledge of the French language and that he speaks it fluently, seeing as it is one of the working languages of the Court, a copy of a certificate confirming the fulfilment of the requirement in reference to the French language is attached. Also attached is a copy of a certificate on the successful completion of English language courses.

4. A detailed overview of how the candidate fulfils the requirements of article 36, paragraph 4 (a):

The election of the candidate for the position in question was carried out by the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina, being the competent authority for the election of judges for all levels in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in the manner as prescribed by the Law on the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina and based on the procedure for the proposal of candidates for appointment to the highest judicial positions in Bosnia and Herzegovina, thus satisfying the election criteria of article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (i), of the Rome Statute.

5. Information regarding which list the candidate is nominated for pursuant to article 36, paragraph 5:

Considering that the candidate holds the qualifications as prescribed by article 36, paragraph 3 (b) (i), the candidate is nominated for list A.

6. Information in connection with article 36, paragraph 8 (a) (i) - (iii), of the Statute:

When electing the candidate, the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina had in mind the provisions of article 36, paragraph 8 (a) (i) - (iii), of the Statute.

7. Information as to whether the nominated candidate possesses expertise as defined in article 36, paragraph 8 (b), of the Statute:

The curriculum vitae of the candidate shows that Judge Vukoje, in his day-to-day work as a judge of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina, encounters issues dealing with serious violations of international humanitarian law which require review of numerous legal publications and case law in such field. He is also in a position to exchange opinions with his colleagues who are international judges and in doing so broadens his knowledge with the experiences of other legal systems. Also, Judge Vukoje has participated in numerous seminars dealing with, among others, the application of the European Convention on the Preservation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, as well as in the field of international humanitarian law and has advanced training in courts in France, Great Britain and in the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

8. Information regarding on behalf of which State the candidate is nominated according to article 36, paragraph 7, of the Statute:

Judge Dragomir Vukoja is a citizen of Bosnia and Herzegovina and is nominated on its behalf.