Eboe-Osuji, Chile (Nigeria)

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Note verbale

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria presents its compliments to the International Criminal Court and the Assembly of States Parties and has the honour to forward to the latter the nomination of Mr. Chile Eboe-Osuji, as Nigeria's candidate for the 2009 election of judges of the International Criminal Court.

As can be observed from a review of his curriculum vitae and the accompanying statement (attached), Mr. Eboe-Osuji's election will greatly assist the young court in establishing a strong foundation in the jurisprudence in these early years of operation and as the Court moves into a very active phase of its work. This is taking into account the exceptionally strong and considerable experience that Mr. Eboe-Osuji will bring to the Court in both the theory and the practice of criminal and international law in general and, in particular, international criminal law and international humanitarian law.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs also wishes to note Mr. Eboe-Osuji's leading expertise on the very troubling issue of violence against women during armed conflicts – an issue of special concern to both the United Nations and the Assembly of States Parties.