Personal

Name: Rossette Nyirinkindi Katungye

Date of birth: 16 October 1963

Citizenship: Ugandan

Profession: Lawyer/environmentalist/Human rights expert

Occupation: Career diplomat

Career objective

To take initiative and excel in all tasks undertaken, especially if such tasks contribute to the improvement of human lives, peace and security as well as the sustainability of the environment.

Education

2 March 2007 Certificat d'Etudes de Français Pratique 2 Niveau B1, Council of Europe,

Paris, France.

Certificat d'Etudes de Français Pratique 2 Niveau A2, Council of Europe,

Paris, France.

2005 International criminal law Specialization in the Nuremberg Trials,

Columbia Law School (Fellowship), New York.

2001 - 2002 Undertook several United Nations International Training and Research

Institute (UNITAR) courses, New York.

1997 Master of Science (M.Sc) in General Maritime Administration and

Environment Protection, World Maritime University (WMU), Sweden,.

1995 (4 months) International post-graduate training course in environmental management

with specialization in elements of international environmental policy, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Massachusetts,

United States of America...

1989 Post-graduate diploma in Legal Practice, Law Development Centre,

Uganda.

Bachelor of Laws degree (LL.B), Upper Division of the Second Class,

Makerere University, Uganda.

French classes from levels 1 to 8 at the United Nations, New York.

Key professional experience

January 2011 Appointed as Uganda's Deputy Head of Mission, Uganda's Permanent

Mission to the United Nations and other International Organizations in

Geneva.

2009 Appointed as member, Uganda National APRM Governing Council, for

a four-year term.

2009	Appointed to the rank of Ambassador.	
2009	Appointed as Uganda's co-focal point to oversee Uganda's hosting of the Review Conference of the Rome Statute.	
2006 and 2009	Elected to the Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court, re-elected in 2009.	
2009	Appointed Head/Conferences Committee of Uganda's National Organizing Committee charged with overseeing Uganda's hosting of the African Union Summit in Kampala, Uganda.	
February 2006	Appointed as Commissioner, Uganda's APRM Commission, Appointed to head the African Union Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Uganda.	
2003	Appointed by the Assembly of States Parties as a focal point to co- ordinate key provisions and chair meetings on the procedure to elect judges.	
2000 and 2003	 Elected to the Credentials Committee of the following: Twelfth Meeting of the State Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (2000). First and second sessions of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (2000). Ninth session of the International Seabed Authority (2003). 	
2002	Elected as one of the Vice-Chairperson to the Ad Hoc Committee on the International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings.	
1999, 2000 and 2006	Chosen to defend Uganda before the African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights (ACHPR) in Burundi, Algiers and Banjul, respectively.	
1996	Vice-Chairperson of the African Focal Points for UNEP and HABITAT.	
1995 to 2001	Vice-Chairperson, Board of Directors of a regional NGO, the Eastern African Environmental Network, (EAEN).	
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2006	Elected to the Committee on Budget and Finance, International Criminal Court (ICC) to complete term of retired member, for one year.
2006	Appointed Commissioner of the Uganda African Peer Review (APRM) Commission.
2006	Appointed Head, African Union Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
2004	Promoted to Minister Counsellor.
2000	Accelerated promotion to the rank of Counsellor.
2001	Posted to the Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations, New York.
1996	Served in the Multilateral Organization and Treaties, Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Headed the Social Desk from 1999 to 2001.
1995	Promoted to the rank of Second Secretary.
1994	Accredited as Uganda's Focal Point to the United Nation .Environment Programme (UNEP) as well as the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (UNCHS/HABITAT).
1990	Posted as a Third Secretary to the Uganda High Commission to the Republic of Kenya.
1988	Appointed as a Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Professional memberships

1998-2001	Member of the Uganda Association of Women Lawyers (FIDA-U).
1998-2002	Member of Uganda Environmental Law Association.
1997-2001	Associate member of Action for Development (ACFODE).

Papers and publications

- Integrating the APRM National Programme of Action into Uganda's National Development Plan, paper presented at UNECA African Experts meeting, 29-30 September, 2010, Kampala, Uganda.
- Post Graduate Degrees indispensable to advancement of career women in Developing Countries, Malmo, Sweden, 2008 (Paper presented at Conference for Women).
- Government's Response to Uganda's Peer Review Process, APRM Publication, 2008.

- Uganda's Peer Review Process and challenges faced (A series of Papers presented to different stakeholders all over Uganda), 2008.
- The African Union and its organs, Uganda, 2007 (Paper presented to Ministry of Foreign Service Officers undergoing training and induction).
- Conflict resolution and post conflict rehabilitation in Africa. Uganda, 2007 (Paper presented to Ministry of Foreign Service Officers undergoing training and induction).
- The role of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union, Uganda, 2007 (Paper presented to police officers posted to AMIS in Darfur).
- The African Union and peacekeeping on the continent, 2006, Uganda.
- Incredible journey to Turkey, HUTACA, New Jersey, United States of America, 2005.
- Sharia on Inheritance by women (joint paper), (FIDA (U), 1999.
- *The Project Cycle* Getting in Right CIDA Alumni, Manual Co-authored by CIDA-Alumni, Canada 1999.
- The last straw (Fiction), FIDA (U), 1999.
- *Mother a poem –* FIDA (U), 1999.
- The Issue of Polygamy: Curse or Cure? (FIDA (U), 1997.
- Legal and other Mechanisms Governing International Shared Water Resources. Paper presented at the EAEN Eighth Annual Conference, Nairobi, Kenya, June 1998.
- The Elaboration of Appropriate Legislation and Institutional Framework to Address Inland Waterway Transport on Lake Victoria: The Case of Uganda. Dissertation, World Maritime University, 1997.
- Enhancing a multi-sectoral approach in Uganda's current environment policy formation process in a bid to foster sustainable development. Tufts University, United States of America, 1995.
- Counter-trade and its impact on the producer: Uganda's Case. Dissertation, Makerere University, Uganda, 1998.
- Two Testimonials on International Terrorism. Submitted to the annual Philip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition, Washington D.C., United States of America, 1998.
- Trials and tribulations of a woman, a play, Makerere University, Uganda, 1998.

Voluntary Work

1998-2003	Lawyer (pro bono) for Single Mothers' Association (U).
1998-2004	Provided legal aid on behalf of FIDA (U). Served as a member of all its Programme Activity Committees (PACs).
1997	Trained primary school teachers and University students in environment management.
1996	Appointed Director, Member of the Board of Directors, EAEN.
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1996	Provided Legal Aid to women on behalf of Action For Women in
1997	Development (ACFODE)

Skills

- Computer literate.
- Languages: English, French, Swahili, Kinyarwanda.
- Excellent written, analytical and oral communication skills.
- Strong lobby, advocacy, mobilization and organizational skills.
- Organizing workshops and conferences.

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