



**BUREAU OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES**

**Third meeting**

**23 January 2025**

*(hybrid format)*

Agenda and decisions

*The meeting was chaired by the President, Ambassador Päivi Kaukoranta (Finland). Vice-Presidents Ambassador Michael Imran Kanu (Sierra Leone) and Ambassador Margareta Kassangana (Poland) also participated.*

**1. Recruitment of the Director of the Secretariat of the Assembly: panel report**

The Bureau continued its consideration of the confidential report of the recruitment panel for the Director of the Secretariat of the Assembly, submitted pursuant to the terms of reference adopted by the Bureau.<sup>1</sup> The Chair of the recruitment panel, Ms. Prisca Matimba Nyambe (Zambia), briefed the Bureau on the process followed. A representative of the Human Resources Section of the Court, who supported the panel in an ex-officio role, also participated. The President indicated that consultations would continue on the way forward. In the interim, the Bureau agreed that the President can make the necessary transitional arrangements to ensure the Secretariat is sufficiently resourced.

**2. Measures taken in response to threats against the Court**

The Bureau discussed recent threats against the Court. The President noted that a joint statement by the Bureau in support of the independence and impartiality of the Court had been issued on 23 January 2025,<sup>2</sup> and thanked Bureau members for their engagement on the matter. The Bureau received a briefing by the Registry on the status of sanctions against the Court and the relevant mitigating and precautionary measures being taken.

**3. Other matters**

No other matters were raised.

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<sup>1</sup> See agenda and decisions of the thirteenth meeting of the Bureau, held on 13 December 2023, annex, available at: [https://asp.icc-cpi.int/sites/default/files/asp\\_docs/2023-Bureau13-Agenda-Decisions.pdf](https://asp.icc-cpi.int/sites/default/files/asp_docs/2023-Bureau13-Agenda-Decisions.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> <https://asp.icc-cpi.int/press-releases/PR-20250123>.