

Rajaona, Andriamanankadrianana (Madagascar)

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Statement of qualifications

Detailed document accompanying the nomination of Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona for the position of judge of the International Criminal Court.

This document has been prepared in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (ii) of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (Statute), and paragraph 6 of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6, both of which recommend drafting a detailed document.

The Republic of Madagascar has taken the decision to nominate Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona as a candidate for one of the six positions of Judge to be filled at the International Criminal Court at the elections to be held during the twenty-second session of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute.

Please describe in detail how the candidate meets the provisions of article 36, paragraph 3 (a), (b) and (c), of the Statute, in accordance with article 36, paragraph 4 (a), of the Rome Statute.

The nomination of Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona is made in accordance with the provisions of article 36, paragraph 4 (a) (i), of the Rome Statute of the Court, i.e. through the procedure for the nomination of candidates for appointment to the highest judicial offices in Madagascar.

The nominated magistrate boasts all the required conditions of good moral character, impartiality, integrity, experience and seniority required in Madagascar for appointment to the highest judicial offices, in accordance with article 36, paragraph 3 (a), of the Rome Statute.

Owing to his extensive judicial experience and sound knowledge of criminal justice, Judge Rajaona possesses the necessary skills and meets all the requirements for the position of judge of the International Criminal Court.

It is worth noting that he started his career as a judge in a small town in Madagascar where the crime rate was very high, and now has more than 38 years of experience in the judiciary, since he has gone through all the ranks and steps of a magistrate's career.

Judge Rajaona led as a pioneer in helping to establish the High Court of Justice, for the first time in Madagascar and after 60 years of independence. This Court carries the responsibility for prosecuting and bringing to justice elected and appointed high ranking state officials in the event the latter commit any offence.

As President of the High Court of Justice, he regularly analyses the most serious and complex criminal cases, including cases involving political crimes and criminal offences committed by the highest political authorities of the State. He also has jurisdiction over offences committed by

holders of jurisdictional power such as elected officials of a district or state.

As a Judge and First President of the Supreme Court, he takes decisions on complex issues at the preliminary and trial stages of murder, sexual offences and drug cases amongst others. Judge Rajaona has dealt with cases involving women and children, including victims of sexual abuse and violence, which is in harmony with the provisions of article 36, paragraph 8 (b), of the Rome Statute.

Judge Rajaona's mother tongue is French; he also has an intermediate level of English.

Please specify whether the candidate is being nominated for list A or list B pursuant to article 36, paragraph 5, of the Statute.

Because of his experience as a judge in criminal cases, Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona is being **nominated for list A**, which includes candidates with established competence in criminal law and procedure, as well as the necessary experience in criminal trials, whether as a judge, prosecutor or lawyer, or in any other similar capacity.

Data referred to in article 36, paragraph 8 (a) (i) to (iii), of the Statute

For the purposes of article 36, paragraph 8 (a) (i) to (iii), of the Rome Statute, Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona (i) represents the civil law system, (ii) is from Madagascar, a country belonging to the African Group, and (iii) is a male candidate.

The Nominated Candidate's Nationality:

Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona is Malagasy and is being nominated as a Judge in Madagascar.

Commitment to serve as a full-time judge

Judge Andriamanakiandrianana Rajaona undertakes to make himself available to serve as a full-time judge when the workload of the Court so requires.
