

27th ICC-ASP Bureau Meeting
November 30, 2006 (afternoon meeting)
Agenda and Decisions

1. Issues to be considered by the Bureau after the fifth session of the Assembly

The Bureau agreed to extend the mandate of its Working Groups in The Hague and New York.

Following from the mandates given to the Bureau in resolutions ICC-ASP/5/Res.1, ICC-ASP/5/Res.2 and ICC-ASP/5/Res.3, the Working Group in The Hague will consider the following issues:

- engage with the Court on the implementation of the strategic planning process of the Court;
- equitable geographic representation and gender balance in the recruitment of staff members;
- permanent premises of the International Criminal Court;
- engage with the Court on the issue of cooperation and then report to the Bureau who would decide how to further consider the issue; and,
- consider the issue of the budget of the Court, while respecting the special role of the Committee on Budget and Finance.

Following from the mandates given to the Bureau in resolution ICC-ASP/5/Res.3, the Working Group in New York will consider the following issues:

- review the implementation of the plan of action of the Assembly of States Parties for achieving universality and full implementation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court;
- arrears, including suggestions to promote timely payment;
- engage with the Court on proposals for an independent oversight mechanism; and,
- preparations for the Review Conference, in particular as regards the applicable rules of procedure and practical and organizational issues.

2. Other matters

a) Participation of States Parties at the fifth session

As regards the number of States Parties that had attended the fifth session of the Assembly, the Bureau decided to look into the reasons why participation had not been higher, so as to enhance future participation in its sessions.

b) Resumed fifth session

The Bureau decided to recommend to the Assembly to extend the resumed fifth session by one day and that, accordingly, the six meetings initially foreseen for the resumed session would take place from 29 January to 1 February 2007.

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