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Election of the judges for the International Criminal Court: guide for the fifth election

Note by the Secretariat

1. The present note has been prepared pursuant to resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6 of 10 September 2004 concerning the procedure for the nomination and election of the judges for the International Criminal Court. In paragraph 25 of the resolution, the President of the Assembly of States Parties is requested to distribute to all States Parties copies of the instructions and samples of the ballot papers before the day of the election.
2. The Secretariat, in consultation with the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties, has prepared the voting requirements and a sample ballot paper for the purposes of the fifth election of the judges for the International Criminal Court.
3. The voting requirements (with sample ballot paper), as spelled out in the annex to the present note, apply to the first ballot only. In the event that fewer than the required number of judges are elected after the first ballot, the voting requirements will be adjusted and a new ballot paper will be prepared, in accordance with the requirements of resolution ICC-ASP/3/Res.6, depending upon the outcome of the first ballot or the immediately preceding ballot.

Annex

First ballot: Election of 6 judges of the International Criminal Court

Voting requirements

1. Please place an “X” in the box to the left of the names of the candidates for whom you wish to vote. Only those candidates whose names appear on the ballot are eligible.
2. Vote for a maximum of 6 candidates. Ballots containing votes for more than 6 candidates will be declared invalid.
3. Vote for at least 2 candidates from List B. Ballots containing votes for less than 2 candidates from List B will be declared invalid.
4. Vote for at least 1 candidate from the Group of Asia-Pacific States and at least 2 candidates from the Group of Eastern European States. Ballots that do not satisfy this regional minimum voting requirement will be declared invalid.
5. Vote for at least 1 male candidate. Ballots that do not satisfy this gender minimum voting requirement will be declared invalid.
6. If you fulfil all the minimum voting requirements in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 above, using less than 6 votes, you may abstain in voting for the remaining candidates.
7. Please check the ballot to ensure that votes have been cast for:
 - (a) No more than 6 candidates;
 - (b) At least 2 candidates from List B;
 - (c) At least 1 candidate from the Group of Asia-Pacific States and at least 2 candidates from the Group of Eastern European States; and
 - (d) At least 1 male candidate.

SAMPLE BALLOT PAPER

| VOTE FOR A MAXIMUM OF 6 CANDIDATES | | | | |
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| VOTE FOR AT LEAST 2 LIST B CANDIDATES AND 1 MALE CANDIDATE | | | | |
| LIST A | | LIST B | | |
| MALE | FEMALE | MALE | FEMALE | |
| AFRICA | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Abdelkader BAHLOUL (Tunisia) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Antoine Kesia-Mbe MINDUA (Democratic Republic of the Congo) <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Emmanuel Yaw BENNEH (Ghana) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Reine Adelaide Sophie, ALAPINI-GANSOU (Benin) <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Harimahefa RATIARAISSA (Madagascar) |
| ASIA-PACIFIC VOTE FOR AT LEAST 1 CANDIDATE | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Chang-ho CHUNG (Republic of Korea) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Maria Natércia Gusmão PEREIRA (Timor Leste) | | |
| EASTERN EUROPE VOTE FOR AT LEAST 2 CANDIDATES | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Pavel GONTŠAROV (Estonia) <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Piotr HOFMA SKI (Poland) <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mindia UGREKHELIDZE, (Georgia) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Péter KOVÁCS (Hungary) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ms Toma BIRMONTIEN (Lithuania) <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Zlata UR EVI (Croatia) |
| LATIN AMERICA/ CARIBBEAN | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Leonardo Nemer Caldeira BRANT (Brazil) | |
| WESTERN EUROPE AND OTHER | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Bertram SCHMITT (Germany) <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Krister Hans THELIN (Sweden) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Marc Pierre PERRIN DE BRICHAMBAUT (France) | |