

Reference: ICC-ASP/16/IS/04

The Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties presents its compliments to invited States, and with reference to its note verbale ICC-ASP/16/S/01 of 7 March 2017, has the honour to recall that States not having observer status in the Assembly may nonetheless be invited to be present in the forthcoming session.

Rule 94 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of States Parties reads as follows:

"Rule 94 States not having observer status

At the beginning of each session of the Assembly, the President may, subject to the approval of the Assembly, invite a given State which is not a party and does not have observer status to designate a representative to be present during the work of the Assembly. A representative who is so designated may be authorized by the Assembly to make a statement."

The Secretariat therefore requests that the name of the corresponding representative for the sixteenth session of the Assembly, to be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 4 to 14 December 2017, be submitted well in advance of the session. This would facilitate the work of the Assembly.

Communications should be sent to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties, Room A.00.49, Oude Waalsdorperweg 10, 2597 AK, The Hague, the Netherlands. Copies may also be sent via fax to +31-70-515-8376 or via e-mail to asp@icc-cpi.int. As of 4 December 2017, all communications for the sixteenth session should no longer be sent to The Hague, but delivered directly to the Secretariat of the Assembly at the beginning of the session in New York.

The Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties recalls that a United Nations grounds pass is required for access to United Nations premises during the sixteenth session. Delegates not holding a valid United Nations ground pass are advised to liaise through their permanent missions in New York. A letter signed by the Head of Chancery or Administrative Officer containing the names of participants and the completed SG 6 forms must be sent to the Chief of Protocol of the United Nations. Once the forms have been authorized by Protocol, permanent missions are requested to deliver them to delegates, for processing at the United Nations Pass and ID Office.

Additional information regarding the sixteenth session is available on the Internet website of the Court (http://www.icc-cpi.int).



The Hague, 7 March 2017