(Translated from Spanish)

Embassy of Spain

#### NOTE VERBALE

The Embassy of Spain presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the International Criminal Court and, further to its note verbale ICC-ASP/20/SP/43 of 5 July, has the honour to transmit herewith the Implementing legislation questionnaire for States Parties, which also answers the questions raised in paragraph 6(h) of the Plan of Action.

The Embassy of Spain avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the International Criminal Court the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

(Signature)

The Hague, 7 October 2021

### SECRETARIAT OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

#### ANNEX III

Implementing legislation questionnaire for States Parties

#### 1. Has your Government adopted any national legislation implementing the Rome Statute ("the

#### Statute"), or otherwise enacted legislation pertaining to the Rome Statute?

In accordance with the Spanish Constitution of 1978, the Spanish Courts adopted an Organic Law the sole article of which authorized the Government to ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, which was signed by Spain on 18 July 1998.

#### IF NOT Part A

# 2. What legislative or other efforts, if any, has your Government taken or initiated to implement the provisions of the Statute into national law?

Spain adopted a standard to regulate cooperation with the ICC, namely, Organic Law 18/2003 of 10 December on cooperation with the International Criminal Court. https://www.boe.es/buscar/act.php?id=BOE-A-2003-22715&p=20031211&tn=6

### **3.** What obstacles, if any, has your Government faced in its efforts to implement the provisions of the Statute? Has your Government managed to overcome such obstacles, and if so, how?

Spain has not encountered serious obstacles in the implementation of the Statute. It supports the Statute in its entirety. Spain also supports the universality of the Statute at all levels.

With regard to this support, it acts in concert with the European Union.

# 4. What form of assistance would benefit or has benefitted your Government's efforts to implement the Statute?

Spain is satisfied with the current system of collaboration. It is open to any suggestions that may be made in this regard, but considers that emphasis should be placed on the universality of the Statute.

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