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## Election of judges to fill two judicial vacancies of the International Criminal Court: <br> guide for the 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 election of judges to fill two judicial vacancies of 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, depending upon the outcome of the first ballot or the immediately preceding ballot consistent with the requirements of resolution ICCASP/3/Res.6.

## Annex

## First ballot: <br> Election of judges to fill two judicial vacancies 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 2 candidates. Ballots containing votes for more than 2 candidates will be declared invalid.
3. Vote for at least 1 candidate from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States. Ballots containing votes for less than 1 candidate from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States will be declared invalid.
4. If you fulfill the minimum voting requirement in paragraph 3, using less than 2 votes, you may abstain in voting for the remaining candidate.
5. Please check ballots to ensure that votes have been cast for:
a) no more than 2 candidates; and
b) at least 1 candidate from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

## SAMPLE BALLOT PAPER



