

Lemmik, Juhani (Estonia)

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Note verbale

The Embassy of the Republic of Estonia presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and with reference to the Secretariat's note No. ICC-ASP/9/S/CBF/10 of 20 May 2010 has the honour to inform that the Government of Estonia has decided to present the candidature of Mr. Juhani Lemmik for re-election to the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) at the elections to be held during the ninth session of the Assembly of States Parties from 6 to 10 December 2010.

Mr. Lemmik has been a member of the Committee on Budget and Finance since September 2006. He has a strong background in public financial management, public administration reform and audit. He currently works as an expert for the Ministry of Finance of Croatia on an EU funded project titled "Improving Budget Processes", which is about supporting the performance budgeting reforms and the improvement of accountability mechanisms. He has held the positions of Chief Auditor at the Estonian National Audit Office, Deputy Head of the State Budget Department of the Ministry of Finance, and Director of Public Administration Office of the State Chancellery.

In Mr. Lemmik's view, the main task of the CBF for the coming years is to seek a balance between the States Parties' wish to restrain the budget growth and the Court's financial needs in the circumstances where the Court has not reached the sufficient level of maturity. This means that careful investigation of new policy initiatives and the sustained drive for increased efficiency will be on the agenda for the coming years. Since the work of the Committee is highly technical, the accumulated experience with the CBF helps to strike the right balance between sensitivity towards the needs of the Court and the new fiscal reality.

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