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## RE: NOMINEE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA FOR ELECTION AS A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We refer to your note verbale dated the 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 and referenced ICC-ASP/17/SP/03, by which you informed us of the upcoming election of members of the Advisory Committee on Nominations (ACN) which will take place in December 2018 during the Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Session of the Assembly of States Parties.

At this time we wish to inform you of the nominee of the Republic of Kenya for election to the above-stated position, namely, Ms. Lucy Muthoni Kambuni, SC.

Ms. Kambuni is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya and a recipient of the prestigious rank of Senior Counsel (SC) member of the Law Society of Kenya (LSK).

Also, Ms. Kambuni has practised law for over thirty-two (32) years, and has established experience in a wide range of legal disciplines, including national criminal law, public international law and international commercial law.

Further, Ms. Kambuni has been a lecturer of law at undergraduate and graduate levels. Furthermore, she has held key positions of governance in the private sector, and has served our nation in critical delicate undertakings of great public interest.

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RE: NOMINEE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA
STATEMENT PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

LUCY MUTHONI KAMBUNI SC; the Nominee of the Republic of Kenya is an eminent legal practitioner of high moral character with established competence and experience in both criminal and international law.

Ms Kambuni has practised law for over thirty – two years, in addition to holding key positions of governance in the Private Sector and serving the Nation in delicate undertakings of great public interest. She, also, has taught law at undergraduate level and at the Kenya School of Law, the Bar School for Kenya. She was also, in 2004, elected as the first woman Vice-Chairperson of the Law Society of Kenya. In 2012, Ms Kambuni was conferred the rank of **Senior Counsel (SC)** by His Excellency, the President of the Republic of Kenya pursuant to Section 17 (1) of the Advocates Act Chapter 16 of the Laws of Kenya; in recognition of exemplary service to the legal and public service.

Ms Kambuni has throughout her academic career exhibited a marked leaning and interest in international law. She has studied relevant course units at Masters Level at the University of Nairobi, including, International Criminal Law, International Litigation and Conflict Resolution, International Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian Law, International Environmental Law, International Air and Space Law and International Intellectual Property Law.

In 2012, the Honourable Attorney General of Kenya appointed Ms Kambuni as a member to the Working Committee to Advise the Government on the Case before the International Criminal Court involving Kenya Citizens. This presented an excellent opportunity to Ms Kambuni to study and understand the Case before the Court, appreciate the workings of the Court and advise the Government as appropriate.

Ms Kambuni has taught relevant courses, including Trial Advocacy and the Law of Evidence at the Kenyatta University School of Law. At the Kenya School of Law, Ms

Ms Kambuni, as is evident from her Bio and Curriculum Vitae attached hereto, has vast experience as a legal professional and has variously served in the Public and Private Sectors. She continues to serve the community, including on pro bono basis and is committed to contributing to the promotion of ethical values in the Society. Her wealth of experience, not only in African – Kenyan issues but, also, her understanding and appreciation of International Law will be an invaluable asset to the Advisory Committee.