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Statement of qualifications

The Republic of Serbia presents the candidature of Prof. Dr. Milica Kolaković-Bojović for the election to the Advisory Committee on Nominations of Judges of the International Criminal Court (Advisory Committee).

This statement is submitted in accordance with article 36, para. 4 c) of the Rome Statute and resolution ICC-ASP/10/Res.5, adopted by the Assembly of States Parties, relating to the procedure for the election of the members of the Advisory Committee.

Professor Kolaković-Bojović meets the requirements set out in the terms of reference of the Advisory Committee. She is a person of high moral character, impartiality and integrity. She also has established competence in relevant areas of international law, namely international humanitarian law, law on human rights and criminal law, as well as extensive experience in a professional legal capacity which is of relevance to the judicial work of the Court.

In June 2017, Mrs. Kolaković-Bojović was elected to the membership of the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances (UN CED). In September 2017, she was appointed to the position of the UN CED reprisal focal point. Since 2019 she is a Vice-President of the Committee. In the scope of her work within the Committee, she served as a Rapporteur on several occasions, and also worked on the development of the Guiding principles for search for disappeared persons adopted by the CED in 2019. Since 2020, she is a member of the Working group for urgent actions. Also in 2020, the Committee appointed her to work on the development of the Guidelines to prevent and address intimidation and reprisal against individuals and groups cooperating with the Committee on Enforced Disappearances.

She possesses extensive knowledge and comprehensive experience in international standards and the United Nations institutional framework dealing with the human rights protection, gained through her membership in the UN CED, but also working as an independent expert in the field of victim's rights and transitional justice.

In her professional career, Mrs. Kolaković-Bojović has been engaged as an expert in the numerous scientific research and donor-funded projects in the justice sector, both at the national and international level. She has also coordinated or participated in the development of more than 30 public policy analyses and strategic documents in the field of prosecution of war crimes, victims' rights, execution of penal sanctions and judicial reform.

She has, so far, published two books and more than 80 scientific papers and book chapters. She is editor-in-chief of the Journal of Criminology and Criminal Law and a member of the Serbian Association for Criminal Law Theory and Practice.

For all the above reasons, the Republic of Serbia is confident that Prof. Dr. Milica Kolaković-Bojović qualifies to become a member of the Advisory Committee on nomination of judges of the International Criminal Court, to whose work she can make a useful and meaningful contribution.