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Note verbale

The Embassy of Costa Rica to the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the International Criminal Court, Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties, and has the pleasure to inform it that the Government of Costa Rica has decided to submit the candidacy of Mr. Jorge Urbina Ortega for the position of judge of the Court at the elections to be held this coming December.

The candidacy of Mr. Urbina Ortega was proposed by the national group of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, having been adopted on the basis of article 140, paragraph 12, of the Political Constitution of the Republic of Costa Rica. It is submitted to the Court pursuant to article 36 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

In light of the knowledge, experience and qualifications of Mr. Urbina Ortega, and on the basis of paragraph 5 of the last-mentioned article, the Government of Costa Rica asks that this candidacy be included on List B, which is reserved for candidates with competence in relevant areas of international humanitarian law and human rights law and experience in a professional legal capacity which is of relevance to the judicial work of the Court.

Mr. Urbina has been trained and acquired his experience in the Romanist legal system. His mother tongue is Spanish and he is fluent in French and English. Appended hereto are his curriculum vitae and a detailed statement of his qualifications for the post.