The Embassy of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Mission to the European Union, presents its compliments to the Secretariat of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and has the honour to ask the Secretariat to circulate to the States Parties the appended Note Verbale regarding the nomination of Judge Antoine Kesia Mbe Mindua, the DRC candidate for the election of judges which will take place at the forthcoming Session in New York from 8 to 17 December 2014.

With this Note Verbale the Democratic Republic of the Congo wishes to reassure the States Parties as to the content of paragraph 8 of the report of the Advisory Committee on nominations of judges, which underlined the relevant provisions of article 40(3) of the Rome Statute on the health and availability of judges.

The Embassy of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Mission to the European Union would like to thank the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court for its concern and seizes this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest considerations.

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Done at Brussels, 12 November 2014