Barreto González, Andrés Bernardo (Colombia)

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Note verbale

The Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and hereby submits the nomination of Colombia's National Group in the Permanent Court of Arbitration for a position of judge at the International Criminal Court in accordance with the provisions of article 36, paragraph 4(a)(ii), namely "by the procedure provided for the nomination of candidates for the International Court of Justice in the Statute of that Court".

The present nomination submitted by Colombia under List "B" is presented in accordance with the provisions of article 36 of the Statute, and is accompanied by the template CV and Statement of qualifications referred to in that article.

The government of Colombia considers that commitment to the work of the International Criminal Court is of vital importance, and that Mr Barreto will make an important contribution to the objectives set out in the Rome Statute.

Mr Barreto is nominated by Colombia as a candidate for list B who possesses the required knowledge and competencies in relevant areas of international law, in particular international humanitarian law and the law of human rights, and extensive experience in a professional legal capacity which is of relevance to the judicial work of the Court.

The experience and competencies of the candidate are based on his education and experience in the public and private sectors in various areas of law and international relations.

Mr Barreto is currently the Superintendent of Industry and Commerce of Colombia, and is responsible for administrative and jurisdictional matters related to key investigations for Colombia's economy, such as, *inter alia*, the fight against business cartels and the protection of consumers.

Mr Barreto González is a lawyer and a Del Rosario University graduate who specialises in enterprise and business law, international law and public law. He supported President Iván Duque Márquez in the referral that was submitted to the International Criminal Court against Nicolás Maduro.

Among other positions, he has served as Legal Director and Legal Concepts Coordinator, Privileges and Immunities Coordinator, and as a lawyer in the Legal Office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He has also been director of International Relations of Bogotá and a Representative at the Public Defender's Office in the Capital District. He has worked as a lawyer in various companies and as member of law firms in the private sector.

For the purposes of article 36, paragraph 8, Mr Barreto would represent the civil law system of the Latin American and Caribbean Group, and is a male candidate.