ICC Disciplinary Organs for Counsel Appointment of a new Commissioner and Alternate Commissioner by the Presidency

Pursuant to Article 33 of the Code of Professional Conduct for counsel (ICC-ASP/4/Res.1) (the Code) the Presidency of the International Criminal Court (the Court) has appointed Mr Laurent Pettiti of France as new Commissioner to the Disciplinary Board for counsel intervening in proceedings before the Court.

The disciplinary procedure regarding counsel in the framework of the proceedings before the Court is established under Chapter 4 of the said Code ("Disciplinary Regime"). The Registrar, in accordance with Article 34.3 of the Code, shall transmit to the Commissioner any complaint made against counsel regarding alleged misconduct.

In conformity with Article 33.1 of the Code, the Commissioner is "chosen from amongst persons with established competence in professional ethics and legal matters". The mandate of the Commissioner shall last for a period of four (4) years and runs as of 25 February 2015.

The Presidency has also appointed Mr. Alexander Hugh Milne, Q.C. of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to serve as Alternate Commissioner in order to i) replace the Commissioner if and when he is unable to act, and ii) act as an informal interlocutor to the Commissioner in order to support him in the performance of his duties. The term of the Alternate Commissioner shall commence on 4 April 2015.

The Court wishes to express its immense gratitude to all candidates who submitted their applications for the posts of the Commissioner and the Alternate Commissioner for consideration by the Presidency and for their interest and support of the work of the Court.

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