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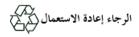
رسالة مؤرخة ٢٢ تموز/يوليه ٢٠٠٩ موجهة من الأمين العام إلى رئيس على الأمن العام إلى رئيس على الأمن

أتشرف بأن أشير إلى الفقرة ٢ من المادة ١٣ مكررا، من النظام الأساسي للمحكمة الدولية لمحاكمة الأشخاص المسؤولين عن الانتهاكات الجسيمة للقانون الإنساني الدولي التي ارتكبت في إقليم يوغوسلافيا السابقة منذ عام ١٩٩٠ ونصها ما يلي:

"في حالة نشوء شاغر في دوائر المحكمة في مناصب القضاة الدائمين المنتخبين أو المعينين وفقا لهذه المادة، يقوم الأمين العام، بعد التشاور مع رئيسي مجلس الأمن والجمعية العامة، بتعيين شخص يكون مستوفيا للمؤهلات المحددة في المادة من النظام الأساسي للفترة المتبقية من مدة الوظيفة الشاغرة".

وفي هذا الصدد، أود أن أذّكر بأن القضاة محمد شهاب الدين (غيانا) وإيان بونومي (المملكة المتحدة لبريطانيا العظمى وأيرلندا الشمالية) وكريستين فان دن فنغارت (بلجيكا) قد استقالوا اعتبارا من ١٠ أيار/مايو، و ٣١ آب/أغسطس و ١ أيلول/سبتمبر ٢٠٠٩ على التوالي.

وقد قامت حكومة بلجيكا بترشيح السيد غيي ديلفوا لكي يحل محل القاضي فان دن فنغارت. ورشحت المملكة المتحدة السيد هوارد موريسون لكي يحل محل القاضي بونومي. وفي هذا الصدد، يرجى ملاحظة أي قمت في وقت سابق من هذا العام، بعد إطلاع مجلس الأمن عن نيتي بتعيين السيد موريسون قاضيا للمحكمة الخاصة للبنان. بيد أنه بالنظر إلى صعوبة إيجاد قضاة يتمتعون بالخبرة اللازمة لتولي المنصب في المحكمة الدولية في غضون الإطار الزمني القصير المطلوب، ونظرا لأن قضاة المحكمة الخاصة ليس من المرجح أن يبدؤوا مهامهم قبل الربع الأول من عام ٢٠١٠، فإن حكومة المملكة المتحدة قررت ترشيح السيد



موريسون لمنصب قاض في المحكمة الدولية. وقد استقال السيد موريسون من منصبه كقاض في المحكمة الخاصة اعتبارا من ١٤ تموز/يوليه ٢٠٠٩.

وفيما يتعلق باستبدال القاضي شهاب الدين، أفادت حكومة غيانا أنها ليست في وضع يمكنها من تسمية مرشح لكي يحل محله. ولذلك فإنها طلبت أن نطلب من دول أحرى في المنطقة تسمية مرشحين يمكن أن يحلوا محله. ونتيجة لتلك المشاورات، رشحت حكومة جزر البهاما السير بيرتون هول، للعمل كقاض دائم، وهو يشغل حاليا منصب قاض مخصص في الحكمة الدولية و لم يكلف بعد بأي قضايا.

وتحدون طيه السير الذاتية للسيد غيي ديلفوا، والسيد هوارد موريسون، والسير بيرتون هول (انظر المرفق)*.

وفي رأيي أن المرشحين السالفي الذكر مستوفون للمؤهلات المحددة في المادة ١٣ من النظام الأساسي للمحكمة الدولية. كما أرى أن تعيينهم سيكفل وجود تمثيل كاف في المحكمة للنظم القانونية الرئيسية في العالم، حسبما هو متوخى في المادة ١٣ مكررا ١ (ج) من النظام الأساسي.

ووفقا للفقرة ٢ من المادة ١٣ مكررا من النظام الأساسي للمحكمة الدولية، أتطلع لتلقي رأيكم بشأن تعيين السيد ديلفوا والسيد موريسون والسير بيرتون هول قضاة دائمين في المحكمة الدولية.

(توقيع) **بان** - كي مون الأمين العام

^{*} يعمم المرفق باللغات التي قدم بما فقط.

السير الذاتية

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Work experience	
(acquired in full time jobs)	
Dates (from – to)	April 2007 - present
Name and address of employer	Belgian Judiciary – Department of Justice, avenue de Waterloo 115, B-1000 Brussels.
Type of business or sector	Brussels Court of appeals
Occupation or position held	President of the Brussels Court of appeals
	The bilingual Brussels court is Belgian's premier court of appeals.
Main activities and responsibilities	Presiding over the Brussels Court of appeals, a jurisdiction with some 70 full time professional judges handling appeals cases (criminal proceedings, civil, commercial and tax matters). Representation of the Court. Organising it's functioning. Controlling, to a certain degree the lower courts within its jurisdiction.

Dates (from – to)	October 1995 - March 2007
Name and address of employer	Belgian Judiciary – Department of Justice, avenue de Waterloo 115, B-1000 Brussels.
Type of business or sector	Brussels Court of appeals
Occupation or position held	Judge and Section President
Main activities and responsibilities	Presiding over a section of the Court of appeals; handling and deciding appeals cases in civil and tax matters as well as criminal proceedings
• Dates (from – to)	JUNE 1998- DECEMBER 2003
Name and address of employer	Belgian Judiciary – Department of Justice, avenue de Waterloo 115, B-1000 Brussels.
Type of business or sector	Brussels Court of appeals
Occupation or position held	Court Manager
Main activities and responsibilities	Special office whereby one of the Section Presidents is appointed to oversee and coordinate management of the Court as a whole
Name and address of employer	MAY 1985- OCOBER 1995 Belgian Judiciary – Department Justice, avenue de Waterloo 115, B-1000 Brussels.
Type of business or sector	Brussels Court of appeals
Occupation or position held	Judge
Main activities and responsibilities	Handling and deciding appeals cases, in civil and tax matters as well as in criminal cases.
Dates (from – to)	SEPTEMBER 1980 – MAY 1985
Name and address of employe	Belgian Judiciary – Department of Justice
Type of business or sector	Brussels Court of first instance
 Occupation or position held 	Judge

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Researcher

publications

• Main activities and responsibilities

Main activities and responsibilities

Occupation or position held

Handling and deciding cases at district court level, in civil, cases and in criminal proceedings

Conducting academic research and preparing academic

Dates (from – to)	SEPTEMBER 1972 – SEPTEMBER 1980
Type of business or sector	Brussels Bar
Occupation or position held	Attorney,
Main activities and responsibilities	associate to a member of the Supreme Court Bar; preparing and trying cases before Belgium's Supreme Court

WORK EXPERIENCE (acquired in secondary activities)	
• Dates (from – to)	1999 - 2003
Type of activity	Member of the academic board of the "Justice in the World Foundation", (with headquarters in Madrid, Spain)
• Dates (from – to)	1987 - 2000
Type of activity	Member of the First Study Commission of the International Association of Judges ((International study commission within the I.A.J., The commission prepares and reviews comparative studies on matters of judicial organisation) Chairperson 1995 - 2000
	Vice-chairperson 1991 - 1995
	Belgian reporter 1987 – 1991
• Dates (from – to)	January 1993 - April 1995
Type of activity	Member of the Flemish Council for Advertisement and Endorsements on Radio and Television
• Dates (from – to)	September 1991 - June-1996
Type of activity	Lecturer at the Flemish School for Higher Education in Business; lecturing in the graduate program "Master in Tax Management"
• Dates (from – to)	1987 – 1997
Type of activity	Founder and editor-in-chief of the Belgian Review for Civil Law
• Dates (from – to)	1987 – 1991
Type of activity	Member of the Dispute Resolution Council for Non-Public Radio and Television Providers

• Dates (from – to)	September 1985 - June 1990
Type of activity	Lecturer at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Free University of Brussels) for the course "Ethics of the Legal Profession"
• Dates (from – to)	February 1974 - 30 June 1985
Type of activity	Assistant professor at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Free University of Brussels) for the course Family Law (Prof. Dr. G. Baeteman)
EDUCATION AND TRAINING	
Dates (from – to)	June 1999 – May 2000 (3 weeks stay in Williamsburg in June 1999 - writing a paper on a specific court management project - stay of one week in Washington DC in May 2000)
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Institute for Court Management, National Centre for State Courts, Williamsburg, Virginia, U.S.
Principal subjects/occupational	Court management
skills covered	, and the second
Title of qualification awarded	Fellow of the Institute for Court Management
Dates (from – to)	1997
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Department of Justice, Office of Continuous Learning for Judges
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Court management
Title of qualification awarded	Certificate of completion
Dates (from – to)	1997
Name and type of organisation	Stichting Studiecentrum Rechtspleging (Dutch institute for judges'
providing education and training	training), Zutphen the Netherlands, 1997
Principal subjects/occupational	Court management
skills covered	Court management
Title of qualification awarded	Certificate of completion
• Dates (from – to)	August 1973 and august 1974(first and second cycle)
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculté de droit comparé de l'Université de Strasbourg (School of
	Comparative Law of the University of Strasbourg, France).
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Comparative Law
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• Title of qualification awarded

Diploma first cycle and diploma second cycle

LANGUAGE SKILLS

• Dates (from - to) Name and type of organisation providing education and training Principal subjects/occupational

September 1968 – June 1972 Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Free University of Brussels)

skills covered

Law degree (5 years of legal education)

Title of qualification awarded

Licencié en droit (JD equivalent), magna cum laude

MOTHER TONGUE	Duтcн
OTHER LANGUAGES	
Reading skills	FRENCH (SECOND LANGUAGE, DAYLY USED IN THE BILINGUAL BRUSSELS COURT) excellent
Writing skills	excellent see publications in French
Verbal skills	excellent
Reading skills	ENGLISH excellent
Writing skills	excellent see publication in English
Verbal skills	excellent
	GERMAN
Reading skills	very good
Writing skills	good
Verbal skills	good

All judges shall be persons of high moral character, impartiality and integrity JOB REQUIREMENTS who possess the qualifications required in their respective countries for appointment to the highest judicial offices... SKILLS AND COMPETENCES REwith experience in the fields of criminal law or international law, including international humanitarian law and human rights law. LATED TO THE JOB REQUIRE-**MENTS**

The applicants appointment in April 2007 to one of the highest judicial offices in Belgium (president of the Brussels Court of appeals, in the Belgian Judiciary only outranked by the position of president of the Supreme Court) gives evidence as to the first requirement above.

A solid experience in criminal law has been acquired in the course of a career of almost 30 years within the Belgian Judiciary (see details below) while judging criminal cases on the first instance level as well as in the appellate court and also in the "Cour d'assises" (jury trial).

Ability to formulate independent judgment in sensitive and complex matters and unquestionable impartiality and integrity is evidenced by an outstanding judicial career, including years as Section President of criminal, civil and Tax sections of the Court of appeals of Brussels, and a term as Court Manager. .

Knowledge of different legal systems and international legal matters acquired trough comparative studies and trough very active involvement, in the First Study Commission of the International Association of Judges, including five years as chairperson of the Commission.

Proven record of French and English language proficiency, both in a domestic environment ((French) and in an international legal environment (verifiable e.g. through graduation from a U.S. Court management program and preparation of a 70 pages-long paper on court management in English).

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Successful completion of various Court management programs in Belgium, The Netherlands and the United States of America.

Numerous years as section president and a five-year term as Cour Manager of the Brussels Court of appeals. The latter position involves the organisation and management of Belgium's premier (and bilingual) appellate court..

TECHNICAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Excellent PC-skills, including knowledge of WORD, EXCEL and POWER POINT

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LIST OF PUBLICATIONS (IN DUTCH)

<u>List of Publications (</u>listed in chronological order):

Guy Delvoie

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- 3) "De regresvordering van de verzekeraar-wet bij strafrechtelijke veroordeling tot afzonderlijke straffen wegens inbreuk op de wegcode enerzijds en rijden onder invloed anderzijds", R.G.A.R. 1977, nr. 9708.
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- 8) "De woonplaats", artikelsgewijze commentaar van de artikelen 102 111 B.W. in losbladig basiswerk: <u>Personen en familierecht</u>, Kluwer, Antwerpen, juni 1984, bijwerking september 1988.
- 9. Tijdschrift voor Belgisch Burgerlijk recht/Revue de droit civil belge, tweemaandelijks tijdschrift voor rechtsleer en rechtspraak, als hoofdredacteur.
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- 12. "Interactie tussen therapie en gerecht bij kindermishandeling" Congrespaper voor "CHILD PROTECTION TROUGH THERAPY", 2nd European Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Brussel, 24 28 april 1989, Vlaams Tijdschrift voor Gezondheidsrecht 1989,p 279.; "Het kind", Tijdschrift Kind en gezin 90/1,
- 13. "De toegang tot de magistratuur in Nederland", <u>Bulletin van de Internationale Unie</u> van Magistraten, Maart 1990.
- 14. "Stichting Studiecentrum Rechtspleging", <u>Bulletin van de Internationale Unie van Magistraten</u>, maart 1990.
- 15. "Denkoefening Gerechterlijke Achterstand", <u>Bulletin van de Internationale Unie van Magistraten</u>, maart 1990.
- 16. "Een krans voor goede wijn : het navolgend hoger beroep" in <u>Liber Amicorum prof.Em. E.Krings</u>, p.541.
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- 34. "Conseillers suppléants et résorbtion de l'arriéré judiciaire à la cour d'appel de Bruxelles "J.T. 1998, 387.
- 35. "Procesmanagement: een stap te ver?" Noot onder J.P.Saint Gilles, 9 juin 1999, R.G.D.C. 2000, p. 99.
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HHJ Howard Morrison CBE QC

Born Kent UK 1949

Pots-school VSO service Ghana 1968-9 the London University[law graduate LLB] Military service [Subaltern, Queen's Regt and subsequently Para Regt TAVR then RARO] and then development work in West and Central Africa [VSO officer responsible for Zambia and Malawi] Post-grad Bar final, Inns of Court School of Law, called to Bar by Grays Inn in 1977.

Private practice as a barrister from 1977 -1985 doing criminal, civil and family law cases when appointed as a Resident then Chief Magistrate of Fiji and, concurrently, Senior Magistrate of Tuvalu. Took Magistracy through first of two military coups intact, the second coup dismantled the constitution.

1988-89 Served as Attorney General of Anguilla getting anti drugs legislation through a very hostile Parliament and local legal community 1989- 2004 practice on the UK Midland Circuit in crime, sitting as a Assistant Recorder [1993] and Recorder [1997] in crime, family and civil cases. Appointed Queen's Counsel 2001.

.In practice prosecuted cases for the Crown Prosecution Service, Customs and Excise and the Serious Fraud Office at the highest prosecutorial grade in each case and defended in the most serious rape and murder cases. Defence practice included Courts Martial in UK and Germany.

From 1997-2004 defending at the UN International Criminal Tribunals for Yugoslavia and Rwanda defending in genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes allegations including two camp commanders [ICTY][Mucic and Nikolic] and a former Rwandan government Minister [Mugenzi][ICTR] charged with genocide. Created the procedure for dealing with cases of diminished responsibility at the ICTY in the case of Kovocavic.

Wide knowledge of international criminal and humanitarian and human rights law and a particular knowledge of the jurisprudence of the ad-hoc Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, in particular command and superior responsibility and the three modes of joint criminal enterprise.

Various publications mostly in the field of International criminal law.

Member of the Race Relations and Equal Opportunities Committees of the Bar Council 1994-2003.

Master of the Bench, Grays Inn 2008

Appointed Circuit Judge December 2004. Authority to try all classes of cases. Extensive experience of teaching advocacy [Grays Inn] and international criminal, humanitarian and human rights issues at universities and conferences/seminars in the Middle East [Iraq, Dubai, Syria, Jordan and Egypt], Australia [Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Castan Human Rights Centre, Monash University], Europe [including guest lecturer at the Scoula Superiore at the University of Cantania, Sicily] 2007 German Bar Conference, 2008 Chaired meeting of the completion strategies for the ICTY/ICTR, European University at Florence. 2009 Co-chair expert meeting of the Amsterdam Centre of Interdisciplinary Research on International Crimes and Security and the USA for the IBA, British Council and independently. OBE [Services to Fiji] (1988), CBE [Services to international law] (2007)

Appointed visiting Senior Judge for the Sovereign Base Areas, Cyprus 2007.

Appointed Trial Judge by the UN Sec General for the Special Tribunal for the Lebanon 2009

Member of Fijian and Eastern Caribbean Bars

Member of Justice, the Commonwealth Judges and Magistrates Association and British Institute for International and Comparative Law

Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society

Member of the Advisory Board, OUP Journal of International Criminal Law.

The Honourable Sir Burton Hall, Kt., KSS,

Chief Justice and Head of the Judiciary (5 September 2001 - present) Commonwealth of The Bahamas

Birth: Nassau, The Bahamas, 10 December 1947 Education:

Sir Burton received an LL. B degree, with Honours, from the University of the West Indies in 1974 and the Legal Education Certificate of the Council of Legal Education of the West Indies in 1976.

Professional Life:

Sir Burton began his public service career in 1968 and served as a Probation Officer and Clerk in the House of Assembly before he began his legal studies.

He entered the Office of the Attorney General as an Assistant Counsel following his admission to the Bar in 1976. He progressed through the ranks of that Office (acting as a Stipendiary and Circuit Magistrate for two years) and held the post of Solicitor General when he was appointed to act as a Justice of the Supreme Court in October of 1990. As Solicitor General, he represented The Bahamas at several regional conferences dealing with drug trafficking and economic crimes.

He was confirmed as a Justice of the Supreme Court with effect form 1 February 1991 and served in that office (presiding over criminal, civil, constitutional and family matters) until he was appointed to the Court of Appeal on 1 April 1997. He demitted office as a Justice of Appeal on 4 September 2001 in order to assume his present post as Chief Justice and Head of the Judiciary.

During 1998, Mr. Justice Hall, as he referred to then, was appointed Chairman of the National Crime Commission. The Commission presented its report to the Government on 30 November of that year.

In 1999 Sir Burton was appointed to serve a three-year term as a member of the Administrative Tribunal of the Inter-American Development Bank, and, in 2002, was appointed for a further, and final, three-year term which ended in 2004.

In August of 2005, Sir Burton was elected by the General Assembly of the United Nations an <u>ad litem</u> Judge to the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY).

In addition to his present duties, he is also Course Director in Constitutional Law and Legal Systems at the Eugene Dupuch Law School, Council of Legal Education. In June of 2002, having completed the programme of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute at Dalhousie University School of Law, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, Sir Burton became a Fellow of that Institute.

Honours and Awards:

As is customary in The Bahamas, on becoming Chief Justice, Sir Burton was made a Knight Bachelor by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II (who has continued as the constitutional Head of State of The Bahamas since Independence in 1973).

In 2003, he was made a Knight of the Order of St Sylvester by His Holiness, Pope John Paul II. In 2004, Sir Burton was awarded the Pelican Alumni Peer award as outstanding alumnus of the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus.

Professional Memberships:

Sir Burton is a member of: the Commonwealth Magistrates' and Lawyers' Association; the Commonwealth Lawyers Association, and the International Law Association, and holds associate membership in the American Bar Association and the Canadian Bar Association.

Family Life:

Married with three children and two grandchildren