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> ELECTION OF 12 MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

> > Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In addition to the nominations received in 1986 listed in document CEDAW/SP/9 and Add.1 and 2, the Secretary-General has received the following nomination for the election of 12 members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in accordance with article 17, paragraph 3, of the Convention:

Ms. Landrada Mukayiranga (Rwanda)

2. Biographical data concerning the above candidate, as furnished by her Government, is annexed hereto.

Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF PERSONS, AS FURNISHED BY GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES PARTIES

Landrada MUKAYIRANGA (Rwanda)

- Surname: MUKAYIRANGA
- First name: Landrada
- Nationality: Rwandese
- Age: 32
- Civil status: Married three children
- Education: Primary (1961-1966)

Secondary: third and fourth year, 1967-1970

scientific humanities, 1970-1973

University (Rwanda National University) (Faculty of Law: 1973-1977)

Diplomas: Jurist (law degree)

Posts held:

1978-1981: Official in the Ministry of Justice, working in the:

- Documentation and Research Office (1978-1979)
- Disputed Claims Office (1979-1980)
- Statute Law Office (1980-1981).
- 1981-1984: Director in the Ministry of Social Affairs and Community Development, dealing with the family and the environment.
- 1984 to date: Director in the Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs, dealing with family welfare and mass education, also head of the Unit for the Advancement of Women.

In this capacity, organized several activities to promote awareness of the need to integrate women in development, including:

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- Seminar for leaders of socio-economic groupings of rural women on the management and administration of co-operatives (held at Kigali in June 1984);
- Seminar on the work of women in urban areas (held at Kigali in May 1985).

Other activities:

- 1978-1984: Member of the Board of Directors of the Savings Bank of Rwanda (a semi-public institution providing <u>inter alia</u> assistance to small savers)
- 1981 to date: Member of the Governing Council of the National Population Office (public body responsible for the country's demographic policy)
- 1984 to date: Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Centre for Research and Training in Co-operatives (a private non-profit-making centre)
- 1984 to date: Member of the National Commission for UNESCO.
- <u>Publications</u>: 1. Author of the "Monograph on the law relating to women and on the status of women in Rwanda", a study written as part of research on various topics being conducted by the African Training and Research Centre for Women (an institution of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)).
 - Collaborated in the evaluation of the United Nations Decade for Women in Rwanda, made for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) (study completed in May 1984).
 - Collaborated in the study "Analysis of the situation of Rwandese children" (for UNICEF and the Rwandese Planning Ministry, study published in February 1986).

International conferences and meetings:

- Since 1982:
- Participated in all the sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, held alternately in New York and Vienna;
- Served as Vice-Chairman of the Committee from 1982 to 1984.
- Participated as a government delegate in the African regional preparatory meeting for the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women, held in Arusha (United Republic of Tanzania) in October 1984.

- Participated (as a government delegate) in the Nairobi World Conference on the United Nations Decade for Women.
- Member of the Rwandese delegation which visited the United States,
 Mexico, Jamaica and Tunisia in 1983 to study family planning programmes.
- Member of the Rwandese delegation which took part in the fourth Conference of African Ministers of Social Affairs, held at Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) in March 1985.
- Represented the Government in the work of the Subregional Committee for the Integration of Women in Development, at the second meeting held in Kinshasa (Zaire) in February 1984.
- Participated as a government delegate in the sessions of the International Union of Family Organisations:
 - in August 1981 in Montreal and Ontario (Canada)
 - in October 1982 in Paris (France).
- Participated in two seminars in France:
 - in June 1980 in Bordeaux, on family law and the development of women
 - in March 1982 in Paris (Sèvres) on girls growing into women.

- Participated in the capacity of expert in the work of the Legal Committee of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, in Nairobi (Kenya) in May 1985.