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the Elimination
of all Forms of
Racial Discrimination**

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**ELECTION OF NINE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE
ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION TO REPLACE
THOSE WHOSE TERMS WILL EXPIRE ON 19 JANUARY 2008,
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 8 OF
THE CONVENTION**

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In pursuance of article 8, paragraph 4, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the Convention will be convened by the Secretary-General at United Nations Headquarters on 17 January 2008 to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 19 January 2008 (see annex I). The names of the other nine members who will continue to serve on the Committee until 19 January 2010 appear in annex II.
2. In accordance with article 8, paragraph 3, of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 27 July 2007, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of nine members of the Committee within two months. Twelve nominations had been received by 27 September 2007. Nominations and biographical data of persons that may be received by the secretariat after 27 September 2007 will be brought to the attention of the States parties in addenda to this note. Listed below in alphabetical order are the nominees, with the States parties that have proposed them indicated in parenthesis:

Mr. Alexei S. AVTONOMOV	(Russian Federation)
Mr. Francisco CALI TZAY	(Guatemala)
Mrs. Fatimata Binta Victoire DAH DIALLO	(Burkina Faso)
Mr. Ion DIACONU	(Romania)
Mr. HUANG Yong'an	(The People's Republic of China)
Mr. Dilip LAHIRI	(India)
Mr. Latif HÜSEYNOV	(Azerbaijan)
Mr. Jean Guy Marie LOUIS	(Haiti)
Mr. Chris Peter MAINA	(United Republic of Tanzania)
Mr. Pastor Elías MURILLO MARTÍNEZ	(Colombia)
Mr. Pierre-Richard PROSPER	(United States of America)

3. Biographical data of the nominees, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in annex III.

Annex I

**LIST OF THE NINE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHOSE
TERMS OF OFFICE EXPIRE ON 19 JANUARY 2008**

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| 1. | Mr. Alexei S. AVTONOMOV | Russian Federation |
| 2. | Mr. Jose Francisco CALI TZAY | Guatemala |
| 3. | Ms. Fatimata-Binta Victoire DAH | Burkina Faso |
| 4. | Ms. Patricia Nozipho JANUARY-BARDILL | South Africa |
| 5. | Mr. Raghavan Vasudevan PILLAI | India |
| 6. | Mr. Pierre-Richard PROSPER | United States of America |
| 7. | Mr. TANG Chengyuan | China |
| 8. | Mr. Luis VALENCIA RODRIGUEZ | Ecuador |
| 9. | Mr. Mario Jorge YUTZIS | Argentina |

Annex II

**LIST OF THE NINE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHOSE
TERMS OF OFFICE EXPIRE ON 19 JANUARY 2010**

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| 1. | Mr. Mahmoud ABOUL-NASR | Egypt |
| 2. | Mr. Nourredine AMIR | Algeria |
| 3. | Mr. Régis de GOUTTES | France |
| 4. | Mr. Kokou Mawuena Ika Kana
(Dieudonné) EWOMSAN | Togo |
| 5. | Mr. Anwar KEMAL | Pakistan |
| 6. | Mr. Morten KJAERUM | Denmark |
| 7. | Mr. Jose A. LINDGREN ALVES | Brazil |
| 8. | Mr. Linos-Alexandre SICILIANOS | Greece |
| 9. | Mr. Patrick THORNBERRY | United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Northern Ireland |

ANNEX III

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF THE NOMINEES

**Mr. Alexei S. AVTONOMOV
(Russian Federation)**

- Date and place of birth:** 9 March 1959
- Working languages:** Russian, English, French, , Spanish, Portuguese, Polish, Italian, Bulgarian, German, Serbian, Finnish
- Current position/function:** 2001-present: Professor at the State University of Humanitarian Sciences
- 1994-present: Senior research fellow and Head of Section at the Institute of State and Law (Russian Academy of Science)
- Main professional activities:** 1985-present: Member of the Russian Political Science Association
- 1991-1998: Member of the Bureau of the Coordinating Council of “The School of Democratic Culture” Association
- 1991-1999: Counsel, member of the Board of Directors of the International Charitable Foundation “Interlegal”
- 1993-present: Member of the Council of the Centre for Volunteer Effort
- 1993-1994: Member of the Russian Association for the Theory of International Relations
- 1996-2000: Manager of the Coordination and Analytical Group on cooperation with public organizations of the Committee on Public and Interregional Relations of the Government of Moscow
- 1997-present: Member of the Expert Council on Constitutional Law under the Chairman of the State Duma of the Russian Federation, (2002: Co-Chair of the Council)
- 1999-present: Member of the Expert Council of the Russian Ombudsman
- 1999-present: Head of the Council of the Institute on the Development of the Election Systems
- 2000-present: Member of the International Consultative Council of the International Foundation on Election Systems
- 2000-2001: Representative of the Council of the Federation in

the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation

2002-2006: Member of the Moscow Qualification Collegium of Judges

2002-present: Member of the Commission on drafting the Constitutional Act of the Union State of Russian and Belarus, Head of the Russian Expert Group

2003-present: Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Employment:

1984-1994: Academic teacher, lecturer and assistant professor of the Moscow State Institute for International Relations, Legal Department

1990-1992: Assistant professor of the Moscow State University, Sociological Department

1991-1993: Law teacher at the private high school "The Line"

1994-2002: Director of the Legal Department of the Foundation for the Development of Parliamentarism in Russia

1995-1997: Professor of the Independent Institute of International Law

1999-2001: Professor of the Institute of the International Law and Economics named after A.S. Griboedov

2003: Expert of the TACIS program "Developing Local Democracy and Self-Government"

Educational background:

1981: Graduate of Moscow State Institute for International Relations (International Law Faculty)

1984: PhD in Law, Moscow State Institute for International Relations

1986: Graduate of the Social and Economic Stream of the Department for the Professional Skill Improvement, Moscow State Institute for International Relations

1995: Graduate of the 16th Summer Human Rights School organized by the Canadian Human Rights Foundation

1999: Doctor of Juridical Science, Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Science

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

Involvement in the practical work of Governmental bodies:

Participated in the preparation of the analytical materials for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in drafting the following laws: “On Political Parties”, “On Charities and on Non-profit Organizations” within the Working groups of the Supreme Soviet; “On Public Organizations”, “On Voluntary Activities”, “On Legal Guarantees of Opposition Activities”, “On Non-commercial Funds” and “On Juvenile Courts in the Russian Federation” within the working groups of the State Duma of the Russian Federation.

Participation in international events:

Participated in various international, regional and domestic academic conferences.

Most recent publications in the field:

Author of numerous publications in Russia, Kazakhstan, Bulgaria, United Kingdom (total number of pages: - more than 9500).

Member of the Editorial Board of the journal “Representative Power” (Moscow, since 1995);

Member of the International Research Group “Forum Eastern Europe”;

Member of the Editorial Council of the Russian edition of the journal “Constitutional Law, East European Review” (Moscow, since 1999);

Member of the Editorial Board of the journal “Perspectives on European Politics: Journal of Intra-European Dialogue” (Leiden, the Netherlands, since 2000);

Chief Editor of the anthology “Questions of Juvenile Justice”.

**Mr. Jose Francisco CALI TZAY
(Guatemala)**

- Lugar y fecha de nacimiento:** Tecpán (Guatemala) 27 de septiembre de 1961
- Idiomas de trabajo:** español, inglés y caqchikel
- Cargo o función actual:** Consultor de la Vicepresidencia de la República de Guatemala respecto al tema indígena y el cumplimiento de los compromisos internacionales
- Principales actividades profesionales:**
- 2003-2007: Comisionado Presidencial a cargo de la Unidad de Relaciones Internacionales y de Cooperación en la Comisión Presidencial contra la Discriminación y el Racismo contra los Pueblos Indígenas en Guatemala (CODISRA)
- 1995-2003: Director del Área de Derechos Indígenas en el Centro para la Acción Legal en Derechos Humanos (CALDH)
- 1995: Consultor-relator de la primera consulta realizada en Guatemala sobre el proyecto de Declaración Americana de Derechos de los Pueblos Indígenas de la OEA y Consultor Independiente en la Coordinadora de Pueblos Indígenas de Guatemala (COPMAGUA)
- 1986-1995: Enlace entre el movimiento campesino guatemalteco y la comunidad internacional, además de encargado de los proyectos campesinos, en el Centro de Estudios Integrales y de Desarrollo Comunal (CEIDEC)
- 1982-1985: diversos tipos de trabajo en Vancouver (Canadá)
- Títulos académicos:**
- De 2005-2007: Estudiante en la Facultad de Ciencias Jurídicas y Sociales de la Universidad Mariano Gálvez, Escuela Regional de Chimaltenango, tercer año aprobado
- 2004: Instituto Tecpaneco de Educación Media
- 1979-1980: Instituto Técnico Vocacional Dr. Imrich Flishmann
- 1976-1978: Instituto Mixto de Educación Básica de Tecpán (Guatemala)
- 1969-1974: Escuela de Varones 25 de julio de 1524, Tecpán (Guatemala)
- Otras actividades principales en el campo relacionado con**
- 1982: Fundador del Comité Campesino del Altiplano (CCDA)
- 1991-1993: Asesor político de Rigoberta Menchú Tum,

el órgano correspondiente:

Premio Nobel de la Paz

1985-2007: promoción de intereses en el Grupo de Trabajo sobre Poblaciones Indígenas, en la Subcomisión de Promoción y Protección de los Derechos Humanos, en la Comisión de Derechos Humanos y en el Foro Permanente sobre Asuntos Indígenas de las Naciones Unidas

1987-1993: delegado suplente de Rigoberta Menchú ante la Mesa Directiva del Consejo Internacional de Tratados Indios (CITI)

1994: Cofundador de la Coordinación de Organizaciones del Pueblo Maya de Guatemala –(COPMAGUA)

1995: Fundador de Unión del Pueblo Maya de Guatemala (UPMG). Miembro fundador del Centro para la Acción Legal en Derechos Humanos (CALDH). Miembro de la Junta Directiva del Centro de Estudios Integrales y de Desarrollo Comunal (CEIDEC) y de la Junta Directiva de la Fundación Cholosamaj. Delegado para promover la solución, ante los Gobiernos de Guatemala y México, del problema del nombramiento del Relator Especial sobre la situación de los derechos humanos y las libertades fundamentales de los indígenas. Encargado de defender ante los partidos políticos la propuesta de reformas constitucionales de los pueblos indígenas

1996: Coordinador de la Comisión Permanente de Reformas Constitucionales de los Pueblos Indígenas

1997-2000: Vicepresidente de la Mesa Directiva del CITI.

2000: Presidente de la Mesa Directiva del CITI. Experto independiente del CERD

Mrs. Fatimata Binta Victoire DAH DIALLO *
(Burkina Faso)

- Date et lieu de naissance: 18 août 1945, Tougan (Burkina Faso).
- Langues de travail: Français, anglais, espagnol, chinois, peulh, dioula.
- Situation/fonctions actuelles: Diplomate de carrière avec le grade de ministre plénipotentiaire de classe exceptionnelle, à la retraite depuis septembre 2001.
- Février 2004 à janvier 2008 : premier mandat au Comité (des Nations Unies) pour l'élimination de la discrimination raciale (CERD) et Vice-Présidente dudit Comité depuis février 2006
- Principales activités professionnelles:
- 1972 à 1981:
En service au Ministère des affaires étrangères du Burkina Faso:
- Janvier à mai 1972: chef du service Asie/Océanie à la Direction des affaires politiques;
 - Mai 1972 à octobre 1976: Directrice des affaires africaines;
 - Octobre 1976 à septembre 1977: Cabinet du Secrétaire général des affaires étrangères;
 - Septembre 1977 à décembre 1981: Conseillère technique au Cabinet du Ministre des affaires étrangères.
- 1982 à 1987:
Première conseillère à l'ambassade de Burkina Faso à Beijing, accréditée pour l'Inde, le Japon et la République populaire démocratique de Corée.
- 1987 à 1989:
Ministre conseillère à la Mission permanente du Burkina Faso auprès des Nations Unies à New York.
- 1989 à 1994:
En service au Ministère des affaires étrangères au Burkina Faso:

* Le curriculum vitae détaillé de la candidate en français tel qu'il a été présenté par le Gouvernement du Burkina Faso, incluant en particulier une présentation détaillée de ses activités professionnelles et autres, peut être consulté sur le site Web du Haut-Commissariat des Nations Unies aux droits de l'homme (<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cerd/elections.htm>) ou dans les dossiers du secrétariat.

- Septembre 1989 à mai 1990: Direction des Affaires administratives et financières;
- Mai 1990 à décembre 1991: Directrice de la coopération internationale;
- Décembre 1991 à février 1994: Secrétaire général des affaires étrangères.

1994 à 2001:

Ambassadrice conseillère diplomatique du Président du Burkina Faso.

Études:

1967:

Diplôme à titre français de sciences politiques, option relations internationales, Institut d'études politiques de l'Université de Paris (France).

1970:

Maîtrise en droit public, faculté de droit de Paris/Assas (France).

Formation diplomatique 1970 à 1971:

- Diplôme de formation diplomatique, Dotation Carnegie pour la paix à Genève (Suisse);
- Institut des hautes études internationales de Genève (Suisse);
- Institut africain de Genève (Suisse);
- Stages pratiques auprès des organisations internationales ayant leur siège à Genève.

Mr. Ion DIACONU
(Romania)

- Date et lieu de naissance :** 23 octobre 1938, Stejari, Gorj, Roumanie
- Langues de travail :** Français, anglais, russe
- Situation/fonctions actuelles :** Professeur à l'université Spiru Haret de Bucarest, discipline « Protection juridique des droits de l'homme »
- Professeur à l'université d'État de Bucarest, discipline « Droit international public »
- Principales activités professionnelles :** Juriste, diplomate au Ministère des affaires étrangères, 1960-1980, 1986-1993, 2001-2004;
- Délégué à la Mission permanente de Roumanie près l'Organisation des Nations Unies, New-York, 1981-1986;
- Représentant à des conférences de codification du droit international et à d'autres réunions de l'Organisation des Nations Unies et de l'Organisation pour la sécurité et la coopération en Europe (OSCE);
- Ambassadeur de Roumanie au Danemark et en Fédération de Russie, 1993-2001;
- Professeur de droit international, droits de l'homme, organisations internationales, organisations européennes et euro-atlantiques, 1991-1993, 2001- 2007 et a présent.
- Études :** École pédagogique, Craiova, Roumanie, 1952-1956;
- Faculté de droit, Université de Bucarest, 1956-1960;
- Doctorat à l'Institut de hautes études internationales de Genève, 1965-1968;
- Soutenance de thèse de doctorat, Genève, 1971.
- Autres activités principales liées au mandat du Comité :** Membre de la Sous-Commission pour la lutte contre les discriminations et la protection des minorités, 1988-1991;
- Membre du Comité pour l'élimination de la discrimination raciale, 1992-2003;
- Président du Comité pour l'élimination de la discrimination raciale, 2002-2003;

Participant à des réunions dans le domaine des droits de l'homme dans le cadre de l'OSCE et à des sessions de la Commission des droits de l'homme des Nations Unies;

Participant à la Conférence mondiale contre le racisme, la discrimination raciale, la xénophobie et l'intolérance qui y est associée, Durban (Afrique du Sud), 2001 et contributions par des études à la préparation de la Conférence.

Liste des publications les plus récentes du candidat dans ce domaine :

Les minorités au troisième millénaire, 1999 (en roumain);

Minorities-from non-discrimination to identity, 2004 (under the auspices of UNESCO);

Protection juridique des droits de l'homme, 2007(en Roumain);

Discrimination raciale, 2006 (en roumain);

Racial discrimination, 2007(under the auspices of the United Nations Centre of Bucharest).

Mr. HUANG Yong'an
(The People's Republic of China)

- Date and place of birth:** 23 July 1945, in Hunan of China
- Working languages:** Chinese and English
- Current position/function:** Member of the Board, Asia-Africa Development and Exchange Society, the People's Republic of China
- Main professional activities:**
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| 2003-2006 | Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Eritrea |
| 1999-2003 | Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; attended its 56 th – 59 th sessions. |
| 1992-1996 | Alternate Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations and other international organizations in Vienna, participated in sessions on disabled persons, aging, women, narcotic drugs, social development, crime prevention and criminal justice, etc. |
| 1996-1999 | Counsellor, Department of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs |
- Educational background:**
- 1991: Studied in Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Lund of Sweden, and took part in the Advanced International Programme of Human Rights organized by the Swedish Government.
- 1969: Graduated from the Beijing University of International Studies,
- Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:**
- As Head of the Chinese delegation, attended the Ninth Workshop on Regional Cooperation for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in the Asia-Pacific Region; Seminar on Trafficking: Using Legal Instruments to Combat Trafficking in Women and Children; Regional Consultation for the Second World Congress against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children.
- As Deputy Head of the Chinese delegation, attended the Thirteenth Asian Regional Meeting of the ILO; International

Congress entitled "In Pursuit of a Drug-Free ASEAN".

As Alternate Representative of the Chinese delegation, attended the Third World Conference on Human Rights; the United Nations Ninth Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Treatment of Offenders; the Third Committee meetings of the General Assembly.

As Director of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in charge of human rights and social affairs at the United Nations.

**Mr. Dilip LAHIRI
(India)**

- Date and place of birth:** 9 July 1945, New Delhi
- Working languages:** English, Spanish, French (passive knowledge)
- Current position/function:** Retired diplomat
Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation
- Main professional activities:** 2004-2005: Ambassador to France
2001-2004: Ambassador to Spain
1998-2001: Additional Secretary (International Organizations),
Ministry of External Affairs
1997-1998: Dean, Foreign Service Institute
1992-1997: Head of Divisions dealing with the Asia- Pacific
region and later the Americas
1989-1992: Ambassador to Peru and Bolivia
1967-1989: Served in various capacities in the Government of
India and Indian Missions in the United States, Bangladesh,
Philippines and Kenya
- Educational background:** MA, Delhi University
- Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:** Leader of the Indian delegation to the Rome Conference
establishing the International Criminal Court.
Long experience of multilateral diplomacy in the United
Nations, the Non-aligned Movement and the Commonwealth
covering security and disarmament, international law, human
rights and social issues, climate change and the environment.
Participated in several sessions of the General Assembly and the
erstwhile Commission on Human Rights.
Representative of India in the Fourth Committee, the Special
Committee against Apartheid and the Special Committee of 24.
Supervised the preparation of India's national reports to the
monitoring bodies of various United Nations human rights
instruments.
Participated in the process of amending domestic laws to
conform to United Nations human rights instruments to which
India became party.

**Most recent publications
in the field:**

Indian Foreign Policy: An Agenda for the 21st Century, 1997

India and Spain: 2000 Years of Interaction (Spanish), 2002

Has delivered presentations at international meetings and written articles for newspapers and journals on nuclear and security policy, climate change, the International Criminal Court, etc.

Mr. Latif HÜSEYNOV
(Azerbaijan)

- Date and place of birth:** 1 February 1964; Azerbaijan
- Working languages:** English, Russian, German, Ukrainian
- Current position/function:** Secretariat of the Milli Mejlis (Parliament) of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Department for Constitutional Law, Director
- Main professional activities:**
- Since July 2002: Baku State University, International Relations and International Law Faculty, Professor of Public International Law (part-time)
- Since January 2001: Secretariat of the Milli Mejlis (Parliament) of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Department for Constitutional Law, Director
- Since November 1996: Azerbaijani Private University, Head of the International Law Department, Associate Professor, Professor
- 1992-1995: Baku State University, Law Faculty, Deputy Dean
- 1990-1996: Baku State University, Law Faculty, Senior Lecturer; Associate Professor
- 1988-1990: Institute of Philosophy and Law of the Academy of Sciences of Azerbaijan, Research fellow
- Educational background:**
- September 29, 2000: defended in Kiev (Ukraine) a thesis for obtaining the degree of *Doctor of Legal Sciences*
- October 14, 1994: defended in Kiev (Ukraine) a thesis for obtaining the degree of *Candidate of Legal Sciences*
- June 1986: graduated from Kiev State University, International Law Faculty
- Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:**
- March 2005: appointed as an ad hoc judge at the European Court of Human Rights
- July 2004: appointed at the sixtieth session of the Commission on Human Rights as an independent expert on the situation of human rights in Uzbekistan (1503 Procedure)
- Since March 2004: member of the European Committee

for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Since December 2003: member of the Venice Commission (European Commission for Democracy through Law)

Since March 2001: member of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (term of office expiring in December 2007)

**Most recent publications
in the field:**

The Concept of “Humanitarian Intervention” in the Light of Positive International Law // *Beynalxalq huquq ve Inteqrasiya Problemleri*. Baku, 2005, No. 1, pp. 3-10 (in Russian).

Methods of Implementation of International Supervision in the Field of Human Rights Protection // *Theory and Practice of Contemporary International Law (Essays in honour of Prof. Levan Alexidze on the 80th birthday anniversary)*, Tbilisi, 2007, pp. 160-199 (in Russian).

Mr. Jean Guy Marie LOUIS
(Haïti)

- Date et lieu de naissance :** 6 mai 1956 - Jeremie (Haïti)
- Langues de travail :** Anglais, espagnol, français.
- Situation/fonction actuelle :** Vice-Recteur à l'Université métropolitaine Anacaona.
Professeur à la Faculté de droit et des sciences économiques à l'université d'État d'Haïti, Port-au-Prince.
Matières enseignées : Droits de l'homme, méthodologie de la recherche
- Principales activités professionnelles :** Enseignement des droits de l'homme.
Recherches en matière des droits de l'homme.
« *Monitoring* » de la situation des droits de l'homme en Haïti.
Assistance aux étudiants préparant leur mémoire en droits de l'homme.
Assistance judiciaire aux démunis.
Assistance à la formation universitaire des jeunes.
- Études :** Préparation d'une thèse sur l'efficacité des droits de l'homme en Haïti, Université Paris I- Sorbonne, Paris.
Master en droits de l'homme, Université Notre-Dame, Indiana (États-Unis d'Amérique).
Licence en science politique, Université de science politique, université d'État d'Haïti, Port au Prince (1991).
Licence en Droit, université d'État d'Haïti Port au Prince (1984).
- Autres activités principales dans le domaine intéressant le mandat de l'organe conventionnel auquel postule le candidat :** Recensement et étude des cas de discrimination raciale en Haïti
Recensement et étude des cas de discrimination raciale en République dominicaine (cas relatifs aux travailleurs migrants haïtiens)
- Liste des publications les plus récentes du candidat dans ce domaine :** Violation des droits des travailleurs haïtiens en République dominicaine (exploitation éhontée ou discrimination raciale) Institut interaméricain des droits de l'homme (1991)

Mr. Pastor Elías MURILLO MARTÍNEZ *
(Colombia)

<u>Lugar y fecha de nacimiento:</u>	Andagoya – Chocó. Agosto 8 de 1963
<u>Idiomas de trabajo :</u>	Español
<u>Cargo o función actual:</u>	Subdirector de Comunidades Negras, Minorías Étnicas y Culturales – Ministerio del Interior y de Justicia.
<u>Principales actividades profesionales:</u>	Responsable de la formulación y coordinación de la Política Pública para la población afrocolombiana, Raizal de San Andrés y del Pueblo Rom/Gitanos.
<u>Títulos académicos:</u>	Abogado especializado en Derecho Ambiental, y diplomado en Derechos Humanos
<u>Otras actividades principales en el campo relacionado con el órgano correspondiente:</u>	<p>Ex Director de Asuntos para las Comunidades Negras del Ministerio del Interior, con asiento permanente en el Consejo de Política Económica y Social CONPES (Nov. 1994 – enero 1997).</p> <p>Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores (febrero 1997 enero de 2006): Asesor y varias veces Director Encargado de la Dirección de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional Humanitario – Asesor de la Dirección de Asuntos Económicos, Sociales y Ambientales Multilaterales, en los asuntos relativos a los grupos étnicos minoritarios; los migrantes; la pobreza; los Objetivos de Desarrollo del Milenio; la Organización Internacional del Trabajo y de la elaboración de los informes convencionales. Le correspondió liderar el interés ofensivo de Colombia en materia de protección de los derechos de los trabajadores migrantes, en las negociaciones del Tratado de Libre Comercio con Estados Unidos.</p> <p>Delegado por el Gobierno colombiano en misiones oficiales ante diferentes instancias y Foros de las Naciones Unidas; la</p>

* El currículum vitae completo en español del candidato, tal como fue presentado por el Gobierno de Colombia, que incluye en especial información detallada sobre sus actividades profesionales y de otra índole, puede consultarse en el sitio web de la Oficina del Alto Comisionado para los Derechos Humanos (<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cerd/elections.htm>), así como en los archivos de la Secretaría.

Organización de Estados Americanos; la Comunidad Andina de Naciones, el BID y el Banco Mundial. Jefe de Delegación Alterno de Colombia a la Tercera Conferencia Mundial contra el Racismo y miembro del Grupo de Trabajo que elaboró la Decisión Andina No. 391, relativa al acceso a los recursos genéticos y sus productos derivados. Candidato de Colombia al CERD, superado en segunda vuelta por Togo, en la disputa por el noveno lugar tras un empate a 80 votos.

Publicaciones más recientes en ese campo:

Cuotas Políticas para los Grupos étnicos en Colombia: Cuotas Políticas para Grupos Étnicos en Colombia: El Camino Hacia y Logros de la Asamblea Nacional Constituyente – 1991, Avances en la Igualdad y la Equidad Racial. Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo, Washington, 2006.

Las acciones afirmativas y el Reconocimiento de los Derechos Territoriales de los grupos afrodescendientes: La experiencia colombiana. Preparada a solicitud de la Oficina del Alto Comisionado para los Derechos Humanos, Oficina Regional de América Latina, de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas – mayo de 2003; Territorio Minería y Medio Ambiente en el Valle del Río San Juan. La Ley 70 de 1993: Una medida de acción afirmativa a favor de la población afrocolombiana – 2002 Mimeo.

Mr. Chris Maina PETER*
(United Republic of Tanzania)

- Date and place of birth:** 14 April 1954, Shinyanga, United Republic of Tanzania
- Working languages:** English, Kiswahili
- Current position/function:** Professor of Law
- Teaching public international law; human rights; refugee law and international humanitarian law.
- Guiding undergraduate and graduate students in their research work.
- External Examiner for various universities including: Nairobi (Kenya); Makerere (Uganda); Pretoria (South Africa); Wits (South Africa); Fort Hare (South Africa); and University of South Africa (UNISA).
- Visiting Professor at various universities including: Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Lund, Sweden; Max Planck Institute for Foreign Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany; University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany; and Institute of International Law and International Relations of the University of Graz, Austria.
- Main professional activities:** Advocate of the High Court of Tanzania: handling pro bono cases for the poor.
- Chairman of the Legal Aid Committee of the Faculty: Providing free legal aid and counselling to the poor and vulnerable members of the society.
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Doctorate in Law (Ph.D.), University of Konstanz, Germany – 1989.

Master of Laws (LL.M.), University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – 1984.

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Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

Attended the World Conference on Racism, Racial Discrimination and Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, Durban, South Africa, 2001.

General Rapporteur of the Penal Reform International Conference on Access to Justice in Africa and Beyond, Lilongwe, Malawi, November, 2004.

Training of Judges, Magistrates, State Attorneys, Police and Prison Officers on Human Rights under the coordination of the United Nations Development Programme.

Advocating for and defending indigenous minorities in Tanzania.

Most recent publications in the field:

“Human Rights of Indigenous Minorities in Tanzania and the Courts of Law,” Volume 14 No. 4 *International Journal of Group and Minority Rights*, 2007.

Law and Justice in Tanzania (Edited with Helen Kijo Bisimba) Dar es Salaam: Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, 2007.

Searching for Sense and Humanity: Civil Society and the Struggle for a Better Rwanda, (Edited with Edith Kibalama) Kampala: Fountain Publishers Ltd, 2006.

“Liberating the Slave of the Slave: Contribution of the New Protocol on the Rights of Women in Africa to the Struggle for Gender Equality,” in SCHOLLER, Heinrich and Silvia Tellenbach (eds.), *Faktoren der Entstehung und Überwindung unfreier Arbeit in Europa und in den afrikanischen Kolonien*, Munster, Germany: Lit Verlag, 2005, p. 57.

Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerances in Tanzania, African Association of Political Science, Volume 6 No. 2, Occasional Paper Series, 2002.

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- Advises executives of Fortune 500 companies and assists clients in navigating and trouble-shooting complex political and regulatory landscapes of foreign markets.
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- 1989 – Juris Doctor. Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu California
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- U.S. AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE 7/01 - 10/05
U.S. Department of State, Office of War Crimes Issues/Office of the Secretary of State
- Formulated U.S. policy responses to atrocities, conflicts, and the War on Terror throughout the world; managed and coordinated the U.S. interagency and U.S. embassies on policy.
 - Reported directly to U.S. Secretaries of State Powell and Rice; advised the President of the United States, Attorney

General, Secretary of Defense, National Security Advisor, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Director of Central Intelligence, White House Counsel, and other senior U.S. officials.

- Was a chief negotiator in the post-September 11, 2001 War on Terror.
- Conducted diplomatic negotiations and consultations with heads of state, ministers, and senior government officials from over 60 different countries; engaged foreign parliaments and multilateral and international organizations.
- As the President's Special Envoy, travelled to approximately 40 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, and South Asia.
- Frequently visited conflict zones in an effort to secure peace, stability and build the rule of law.
- Made regular international and domestic media appearances (print and broadcast media).

SPECIAL COUNSEL AND POLICY ADVISER
2/99-7/2001

U.S. Department of State, Office of War Crimes Issues/Office of the Secretary of State (Detailed from the Department of Justice)

- Developed policy and assisted in formulating the U.S. government response to serious violations of international humanitarian law committed in areas of conflict throughout the world.
- Travelled to affected areas in Europe, Africa and Asia to promote initiatives and build coalitions; engaged in negotiations in support of U.S. government positions.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY
GENERAL 1/99-2/99

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

- Assisted in the development of international justice initiatives.

TRIAL ATTORNEY/WAR CRIMES PROSECUTOR 5/96-
10/98

United Nations, International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
Office of the Prosecutor, Kigali, Rwanda / Arusha, Tanzania /
The Hague, Netherlands

- As lead prosecutor, successfully prosecuted the world's first

case of genocide; prosecuted crimes against humanity and war crimes committed in the territory of Rwanda in 1994.

- Travelled and supervised investigations throughout Africa, Europe, and North America.

SPECIAL LEGAL CONSULTANT 4/95 - 5/95

U.S. Government in Rwanda, Kigali, Rwanda- Assessed the post-war Rwandan justice system and Assisted in developing an action plan.

- Consulted and coordinated with Rwandan, United Nations, and donor country representatives.

ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

8/94 - 5/96

U.S. Department of Justice/United States Attorney's Office, Narcotics Section, Central District of California

- Prosecuted and supervised investigations of major international and national narcotics cartels and offenders for complex narcotics conspiracy, distribution offenses, and money laundering schemes.

DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY 12/89 - 7/94

Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, California

Bureau of Special Operations, Hardcore Gang Division, 3/93 - 7/94

- Prosecuted gang-related homicides, special circumstance murder, murder, and manslaughter cases.

Bureau of Branch and Area Operations 12/89 - 2/93

Compton Branch Office, Inglewood Area Office

- Tried felony and misdemeanour jury trials involving murder, rape, kidnapping, theft, assault with a deadly weapon, narcotics, welfare fraud, and other offences.

OTHER:

HEAD OF DELEGATION 11/06 & 4/07

International Republican Institute Election Observation Mission to Nigeria

Led a team of 59 international observers in monitoring and issue findings on the 2007 Nigerian presidential and National Assembly elections.

- Met and consulted with candidates, political leaders, voters, and international observer missions.

CANDIDATE 10/05 – 03/06
Attorney General, State of California

- Ran a state wide exploratory campaign meeting with voters and business and political leaders.