VISION AND COMMITMENT, SERVING INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE

"A new phase of the ICC's history is now beginning as its first cases are now coming to appeal. It is consolidating its jurisprudence and procedural achievements while applying innovative stipulations of the Rome Statute on sex crimes. It is strengthening and diversifying its means of inquiry and prosecution.

The completion of this progress requires renewed commitment from the States Parties through continuous political support, unfailing cooperation, and providing the ICC with the means it needs to fulfil the roles that have been entrusted to it. An active, respected ICC is needed to continue acting as a compass needle and active instrument for a universal conscience, to support the vital work of States. It should receive new accessions to bring it even close to universality.

I believe I can make a useful, active contribution to the work of justice accomplished by the college of ICC judges in this new phase of its development. By exercising the role of a judge, I hope to serve this exceptional institution, whose presence marks a remarkable step forward towards global governance, founded on the highest principles of individual rights and the fight against impunity."

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French Candidate for a position as a Judge at the International Criminal Court (list B)

The International Criminal Court (ICC) has already accomplished remarkable work in combating impunity for the most serious crimes, giving a voice to their victims. France has actively supported the ICC from the outset and now renews its commitment by supporting the candidacy of Mr Perrin de Brichambaut for a judge's position at the Court.

His remarkable qualities as a Supreme Court magistrate, his considerable experience of international jurisdictions and organizations and his mastery of crisis situations make France's candidate, Mr Perrin de Brichambaut, perfectly qualified to hold a judge's position at the ICC. He will be capable of making an invaluable contribution to the Court's success.



Personal information

Name Marc Perrin de Brichambaut

Date and place of birth: 29 October 1948 in Rabat (Morocco)

Family situation: Married, 2 children

Languages: French, English, Spanish and Italian

Professional experience

HIGHER COURTS

Since 2011: Conseiller d'État, litigation section of the Conseil d'État (supreme jurisdiction):

- Member of the General Assembly for the litigation section
- Rapporteur in the 2nd subsection
- Départageur (arbitrator) in the 9th and 10th subsections

1974-1978: Auditor at the Conseil d'État

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

2005-2011: Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)

1998-2005: Ministry of Defence Strategic Affairs Delegate

1994-1998: Ministry of Foreign Affairs Legal Director; Head of the French delegation during the negotiation of the Rome Statute

1991-1994: Ambassador, representing France in the Vienna negotiations on arms control and confidence-building measures (Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe)

1988-1991: Diplomatic Adviser to the French Minister of Defence

1986-1988: Cultural Counsellor at the French Embassy in the United States, Permanent Representative of French universities

1985-1986: Head of the Private Office of Roland Dumas, Minister of European and then Foreign Affairs

1981-1984: Technical Adviser in the Private Office of the Minister of External Relations, in charge of international economic and development issues

1978-1981: Seconded to the United Nations Secretariat in New York

Training and other roles

Since 2007: Member of the International Peace Institute (IPI) International Advisory Council (New York)

Since 2012: Lecturer at the Paris School of International Affairs (PSIA, theme: "Global Governance and International Organizations")

1997-2005: Professor of International Public Law, Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po)

1975-1976: Research placements: Rand Corporation, Santa Monica, CA (1975); Brookings Institution, Washington DC (1976)

1972-1974: French National School of Public Administration (ENA)

1972: Assistant lecturer, University of Paris-IV

1971: Geography Agrégation (teaching qualification, ranked 1st)

1970: Graduated from the Paris Institute of Political Studies (Sciences Po), public service section

1967-1972: Trainee teacher, Saint-Cloud École normale supérieure (ENS)

Publications

- · Leçons de droit international public, (Lessons in international public law), Paris, Presses de Sciences-Po et Dalloz, 2002 2nd ed. Sept 2011
- The Role of the United Nations Security Council in the International Legal System, pp 269-277 in Michael Byers (ed.) The Role of Law in International Politics, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2000
- Les nouveaux enjeux de la sécurité internationale, (New challenges in international security), pp. 337-352 in Jacques Attali (ed.) Le sens des choses (The meaning of things), Paris, Robert Laffont, 2009
- · Recent articles in the OSCE 2011 Yearbook: Six Years as OSCE Secretary General: An Analytical and Personal Retrospective; Survival: Jump-Starting Democracy, April-May 2010; An Agenda for Human Dignity, Nov-Dec 2008

Personal involvement in setting up the ICC

After heading the French delegation throughout the preparations of the Rome Conference and during the Conference itself, Mr Perrin de Brichambaut signed the Statute of the International Criminal Court on France's behalf. It is thanks to that decisive experience that he now wishes to serve that exceptional institution and the cause of international criminal justice.

Renowned expertise in international law, especially humanitarian and human rights law

As Legal Director of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr Perrin de Brichambaut represented France in many disputes before the European Court of Human Rights, the United Nations Human Rights Committee, the International Court of Justice and the Court of Justice of the European Union. In that capacity, he was directly involved in cooperation with international criminal courts. Those responsibilities enabled him to acquire excellent competencies in international court proceedings and all aspects of international law, including criminal, human rights and international humanitarian law.

The responsibilities he held within the French Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Defence gained him vast experience of the crisis situations that engender crimes falling within the purview of the ICC, especially practical aspects such as protecting international staff and refugees.

40 years of supreme court experience

Mr Perrin de Brichambaut has been a member of the Conseil d'État, supreme jurisdiction of France's administrative justice system, since 1974. He has regularly sat as a judge there. He currently sits on several dispute formations, which handle many cases in the field of public freedoms and defending individual rights.

An international career serving fundamental values and human rights

Mr Perrin de Brichambaut was Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) for six years. He was appointed to the role twice by the 56 States participating in the Organization. In that capacity he worked in close cooperation with the participating States to promote fundamental values of human rights and democracy. In particular, he was committed to consolidating the institutions capable of ensuring respect for those values, particularly in the areas of justice, criminal legislation and the training of judicial staff.

Mr Perrin de Brichambaut is a member of the International Peace Institute's International Advisory Council and has authored numerous publications. He has initiated and coordinated various activities to help disseminate international law in France and abroad