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Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that at the close of the extended period on 7 March 2003 for nomination of candidates for membership on the Committee on Budget and Finance of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, an insufficient number of nominations had been received for this purpose.

As you will recall, at its 8th meeting on 7 February 2003, I was mandated by the Assembly of States Parties to further extend the nomination period should an insufficient number of candidates be received by the close of the extended deadline.

I am hereby extending the nomination period for submission of candidates for membership on the Committee on Budget and Finance from 7 March to 21 March 2003.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

H.R.H. Prince Zeid Ra'ad Zeid Al-Hussein

President

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