

Statement submitted in accordance with Article 36(4) of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and paragraph 7 of the Resolution of the Assembly of States Parties relating to the procedure for the nomination and election of Judges, the Prosecutor, and Deputy Prosecutors of the ICC

1. Dr. Boštjan M. Zupančič, a Slovenian citizen, is an outstanding expert in the field of international criminal law, criminal procedure law and human rights law. He has received the training required and possesses all the necessary qualifications for the nomination to the highest judicial offices in the Republic of Slovenia. He is also professor of criminal and criminal procedure law at the University of Ljubljana and a visiting professor in several other law schools. He is a person of high moral character, impartiality and integrity (Article 36(3)(a)).

2. The nomination of Dr. Zupančič as a candidate for the post of Judge of the International Criminal Court was made pursuant to national law (Act Regulating Nomination of Candidates from the Republic of Slovenia for the post of a Judge of an International Court (Official Gazette, no. 64-3468/01)

3. Dr. Zupančič has acquired competence in criminal law, criminal procedure law and human rights law. His numerous publications worldwide and his lectures at numerous universities and other institutions, as well as his membership in the Committee Against Torture are highly valued. He holds a Ph.D. from the Harvard Law School, where he was also a research scholar and visiting professor. He is currently a judge at the European Court of Human Rights. Prior to that he was a Judge at the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Slovenia. Thanks to his extensive work and experience both in the academicsphere and in the judiciary, he has gained wide knowledge of criminal law, and especially of criminal procedure law.

4. Moreover, Dr. Zupančič has extensive experience in international humanitarian and human rights law, based on his work in the Committee Against Torture and European Court of Human Rights.

5. Dr. Zupančič has throughout his rich career both as professor and judge published numerous books, articles and other publications. He was educated in continental and Anglo-Saxon legal systems.

6. Dr. Zupančič is a candidate on list A.

7. Dr. Zupančič is fluent in English and French and speaks several other languages (curriculum vitae).

8. Dr. Zupančič is a citizen of the Republic of Slovenia and does not hold any other citizenship.