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STATEMENT SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 36.4 (a) 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 INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL  
COURT

a) Mr. Mauro Politi, professor of International Law at the University of Trento and former judge and prosecutor, is a person of high moral character, impartiality and integrity, who possesses all the qualifications required in Italy for appointment to the highest judicial offices (Article 36.3 (a) of the Rome Statute).

Mr. Politi fulfils the requirements of both Article 36.3 (b) (i) and (ii), as is specified in his curriculum vitae.

Mr. Politi has been a full professor of International Law at the University of Trento since 1990. In previous years, since 1976, he had taught at the Universities of Cagliari and Urbino. He is one of the most respected Italian scholars in the field of international law. His special interest and established competence in international humanitarian law and human rights law are attested, inter alia, by several articles that he published on the Rome Statute of the ICC and on the related elements of crimes. Moreover, as legal adviser to the Permanent Mission of Italy to the U.N. from 1992 to 2001, he participated actively in the entire negotiating process that led to the adoption of the Rome Statute. He also served on the Italian delegation to the Preparatory Commission for the ICC.

Furthermore, Mr. Politi has established competence in criminal law and procedure and the necessary relevant experience in criminal proceedings. During his judicial career (1969-1983), he was a judge at the Tribunals of Oristano and Milan. He was also Deputy Prosecutor at the Juvenile Court of Milan. In 2001, he was elected by the U.N. General Assembly to the list of *ad litem* judges on the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

Mr. Politi has an excellent knowledge and is fluent in both English and French.

- b) Professor Politi is being nominated for inclusion in list B for the purposes of paragraph 5 of Article 36 of the Rome Statute.
  
- c) The information relating to subparagraphs (i) to (iii) of paragraph 8 (a) of article 36 of the Statute is as follows:
  - (i) Professor Politi is qualified and practices in Italy, which has a Civil Law legal system.
  - (ii) Professor Politi is a national of Italy, which is a member of the Western European and Others Group of States;
  - (iii) Professor Politi is male.
  
- d) Mr. Politi has legal expertise on specific issues such as violence against women and children (Article 36.8 (b)). In particular:
  - as a judge of the Tribunals of Oristano and Milan, he dealt with numerous cases of human rights violations and violence and abuse against women and children;
  - he represented the Prosecutor's office (at the Juvenile Court of Milan) in cases of crimes committed by minors and in proceedings relating to the protection of children;
  - at the Rome Conference, he was the coordinator on the issue of children in armed conflicts.
  
- e) Mr. Politi is an Italian national, and does not possess the nationality of any other State.