

# PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION ACTION MONDIALE DES PARLEMENTAIRES

### Conference on ICC Implementing Legislation in African Indian Ocean countries

February 25-26, 2010, National Assembly of the Union of Comoros, Moroni

### Day 1 – Thursday, 25 February 2010

#### 09.30h Opening Session

- Recitation of the Holy Quran
- Welcome Address by Hon. Ahmed Abdallah Aderemane, President of the Commission of External Relations
- Inaugural Address by H.E. Luc Hallade, Ambassador of France to the Comoros (on behalf of the European Union)
- Inaugural Address by H.E. Mme. Christine Razanamahasoa, Minister of Justice of Madagascar
- Inaugural Address by Hon. Emmanuel Adubango Ali, MP Democratic Republic of Congo, on behalf of the International Council of PGA
- Allocation by H.E. M. Hamidou Bourhan, President of the National Assembly of Comoros

#### 10.30h Coffee Break

# 10.45h The Status of Ratification and Implementation of the RS in the world and, in particular, in African Indian Ocean States

- Mr. Assoumani Youssouf Mondoha, former MP & President of Foreign Affairs Committee, rapporteur of the ICC Accession Act 200, Comoros (<u>Chairperson</u>)
- H.E. Christine Razanamahasoa, Minister of Justice, Madagascar
- Hon. Madan Dulloo, MP, Mauritius

#### 11.30h Discussion

# Role of the ICC system in fighting impunity for the most serious crimes and implications for National legal orders stemming from the Rome Statute of the ICC:

- (a) the principle of complementarity
- (b) the duty to fully cooperate with the Court

- M. Abdi Ismaêl Hersi, Secretary General, Ministry of Justice, Djibouti
- Dr. David Donat Cattin, Director, International Law and Human Rights Programme, PGA
- 12.30h Discussion
- <u>13.00h</u> *Lunch*
- 14.30h The preparation of national legislation to implement the Rome Statute into National laws best practices and lessons learned from existing legislations
  - (a) the experiences of the Republic of Comoros: Preliminary draft of the law implanting the Rome Statute
  - Mr. Azad Mze, Attorney General of the Republic of Comoros
  - (b) the experiences of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Tanzania
  - Hon. Emmanuel Adubango Ali, MP, Democratic Republic of Congo
  - Hon. Pindi Hazara Chana, MP, Tanzania
  - (c) the contribution of the International Committee of the Red Cross: the promotion of legislation punishing grave breaches of international humanitarian law and crimes under the Rome Statute in particular
  - M. Karen Loescher, COM/IHL Delegate, ICRC, Nairobi office
- 15:30h Discussion
- 16.45h Closing remarks of the first day of the Round-Table Discussion
  - Mr. Assoumani Youssouf Mondoha, former MP & President of Foreign Affairs Committee, rapporteur of the ICC Accession Act 200, Comoros (Chairperson)

### Day 2 - Friday, 26 February 2010

9:30h Perspectives for the first Review Conference of the Rome Statute, Kampala, May-June 2010: topics, challenges and the role and contribution of African States

Chairperson: Hon. Emmanuel Adubango Ali, MP Democratic Republic of Congo

- (a) The Stocktaking of international criminal justice
- Ms. Stefanie Kueng, International Law and Human Rights Programme, PGA
- (b) The "Belgian proposal" on war crimes, The Crime of Aggression, the Review of Article 124 and other pending proposals (e.g. AU proposals)
- Dr. David Donat Cattin, Director, International Law and Human Rights Programme, PGA
- 10:00h Discussion
- 10:30h Round-Table Discussion on parliamentary and other initiatives to advance the process of implementing legislation in Comoros, Djibouti, Madagascar, Mauritius and Tanzania, as well as to advance ratification and implementation in Seychelles

#### All participants

#### 11:30h Lunch Break

#### 16:30h Closing session

- Adoption of the Resolution
- Handover of the Conference Certificate
- Welcoming of the new PGA Members
- Closing words of H.E. Mme. Christine Razanamahasoa, Minister of Justice of Madagascar
- Closing words of H.E. M. Hamidou Bourhan, President of the National Assembly of Comoros

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