Costa Rica

General Debate

Speaker: H.E. Mr. Sergio Ugalde Godínez, Ambassador to the Netherlands

Cooperation: States need to comply with the Court’s orders to bring the victims the justice they deserve.

Although Costa Rica supports that the Court should be evaluated and observed, it is disappointed about the fact that the Court has received indirect attacks to its integrity, purpose and object, with the aim to diminish it.

Costa Rica welcomes the State of Palestine as a new State Party.

Costa Rica deposited instruments for the ratification of the Kampala Amendments in January 2015 and invites States to ratify the Kampala.

Budget: Costa Rica believes that the 7% increase to the budget is the minimum required.

Supplementary Items Debate (Proposals South Africa)

The items discussed relate to actions taken by the Court. Article 98 does not trump article 27. Any dispute regarding the proceedings of the Court, should be settled by the Court. State Parties do not have the power to take decisions on the judicial proceedings of the Court.

Supplementary Items Debate (Proposals Kenya)

The purpose of this Assembly is not to provoke other States, but to have fair discussions. Costa Rica firmly believes in the right of any State to discuss its concerns but this particular issue falls outside the competence of the Assembly.