Towards Effective Cooperation by the Security Council with the ICC: The Role of the ASP and of the States Parties

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An assessment of the first 10 years of the Court reveals that considerable challenges remain to ensure the effective implementation of the mandate of the ICC: some of these challenges arise also in the context of the relationship of the Court with the UN Security Council. Building on the Report of the High-Level Meeting of Experts and Parliamentarians on the UN Security Council and the ICC (Chatham House-PGA, March 2012), and on numerous concrete recommendations put forward by states parties during the recent Security Council Open Debate on Peace and Justice convened by the Guatemalan Presidency on 17 October 2012, this ASP side-event seeks to galvanize agreement on a roadmap of action for states parties to ensure that the Security Council contributes most effectively to accountability for serious crimes, especially through referrals to and cooperation with the Court.

Welcome and Introduction by Chair of the Meeting
Ms. Barbara Lochbihler, MEP (Germany – Greens), Chairperson, Human Rights Sub-Committee, European Parliament; Member of Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA)

I. The role of the Security Council in Ensuring Political Support for Executing Arrest Warrants

The needs of the ICC
Mr. Phakiso Mochochoko, Head of the Jurisdiction, Complementarity and Cooperation Division, Office of the Prosecutor

The Role of States Parties and the ASP to address political needs
Mr. Andries Nel, Deputy Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, South Africa

II. The role of the Security Council in Ensuring Cooperation through travel bans, freezing of assets and other sanctions

The needs of the ICC
Mr. Alexander Khodakov, Special Adviser to the Registrar on External Relations and Cooperation, Registry

The Role of States Parties and the ASP to address cooperation needs

III. Conclusion: The Way Forward
Mr. Richard Dicker, Director, International Justice Program, Human Rights Watch

Interactive discussion, including scheduled interventions from the floor:
Amb. Tiina Intelmann, President of the Assembly of States Parties
Others

Coffee & Tea Offered

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