





AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL & PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION

invite the expert delegates to the VIII Assembly of States Parties of the Rome Statute to a

## Breakfast Working Meeting on

Implementing Legislation of the Rome Statute of the ICC in Domestic Legal Orders Tuesday 24 November 2008, 9:00 – 11:00

# Congresscentrum, The Hague (Room Antarctica - to be re-confirmed)

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

#### GENERAL ISSUES

- Status of implementing legislation around the world
- Quality of existing implementing legislation
- Technical assistance available
- Inclusion of Implementing Legislation in the Review Conference general debate and stocktaking process

#### THE EXERCISE OF DOMESTIC JURISDICTION AND THE IMPUNITY GAP

- Recurrent pitfalls in the implementation of definitions of crimes and general principles
- Prohibition of amnesties and immunities for Rome Statute crimes
- Non applicability of statutes of limitations for <u>all</u> Rome Statute crimes
- Retrospective application of Rome Statute crimes
- Superior responsibility
- Penalties: death penalty and maximum imprisonment limitations
- Implementing the crime of aggression
- Crimes against the administration of justice

#### PROCEDURES TO ENSURE FULL COOPERATION WITH THE ICC

- Constitutional clauses on non-surrender of nationals
- Relevant authorities and discretional decisions
- National security concerns
- Provisions on victim reparation and participation
- Witness and victims protection

#### **PARTICIPANTS** (ONGOING UPDATING)

ASP Focal Points/Facilitators Amb. Yves Haesendonck (Cooperation), Eva Surkova (Plan of Action) ASP Delegates: Prof. Roger Clark (Samoa & Rutgers University), [...] ICC: TBA

ICC Legal Tools Project: Morten Bergsmo (PRIO, Oslo), Olimpia Bekou (Nottingham University) Commonwealth Secretariat: Akbar Khan (Director, Legal and Constitutional Affairs Division) CICC: Regional Coordinators and selected National Coalitions

ICRC: TBA

Amnesty International: Jonathan O'Donohue, Fatima da Camara

Parliamentarians for Global Action: David Donat Cattin, Deborah Ruiz Verduzco, Stefanie Kueng

### LIMITED SEATING - PLEASE RSVP

This event will be conducted in English only

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