



International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance

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Election, in accordance with article 26 (4) of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, of five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 30 June 2017

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Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with article 26 of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, the fourth meeting of the States parties to the Convention is to be held at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 20 June 2017, for the purpose of electing five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances from a list of persons nominated by States parties from among their nationals (sect. II) to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 30 June 2017 (sect. I). Five members will continue to serve on the Committee until 30 June 2019 (sect. III).
2. In compliance with paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 68/268, the present note contains information on the current situation with respect to the composition of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, reflecting the balance in terms of geographical distribution and gender representation, professional background and different legal systems, as well as the tenure of current members (sects. I and II). The biographical data of current members can be found on the web page of the Committee (www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CED/Pages/Membership.aspx).
3. In paragraph 13 of its resolution 68/268, the Assembly encouraged States parties, in the election of treaty body experts, to give due consideration, as stipulated in the relevant human rights instruments, to equitable geographical distribution, the representation of the different forms of civilization and the principal legal systems, balanced gender representation and the participation of experts with disabilities in the membership of the human rights treaty bodies.



I. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 30 June 2017

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mohammed Al-Obaidi	Iraq	2011
Santiago Corcuera Cabezut	Mexico	2013
Luciano Hazan	Argentina	2011
Juan José López Ortega	Spain	2011
Kimio Yakushiji	Japan	2011

II. Persons nominated by States parties

4. In accordance with article 26 (3) of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 27 October 2016, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of five members of the Committee within three months. All curricula vitae received by 3 February 2017 are included in the present document (see annex). Addenda to the present note will be issued for nominations received after that date.

5. Listed below, in alphabetical order, are the names of the persons nominated for election to the Committee, and the States parties that nominated them.

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Nominated by</i>
Samer Saadoun Abood Al-Amiri	Iraq
Moncef Baati	Tunisia
Mamadou Diakite	Mali
Horacio Ravenna	Argentina
Koji Teraya	Japan

III. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 30 June 2019

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Emmanuel Decaux	France	2011
Daniel Figallo Rivadeneyra	Peru	2015
María Clara Galvis Patiño	Colombia	2015
Rainer Huhle	Germany	2011
Suela Janina	Albania	2011

Annex*

Samer Al-Amiri (Iraq)

Date and place of birth: 20 December 1976 — Dakar (Senegal)

Working languages: Arabic, English, French

Main professional activities

Scientific evaluator of a number of studies.

Preparation of a study for the Eighth Scientific Conference of the Integrity Commission 10/02/2016. The study title is “Legal Organization of Money Laundering and Its Effect on Size of Investment, Iraq as a Model”.

Supervisor and trainer in the Arabic Moot Court held by the College of Law, University of Sultan Qaboos. Oman (April 17-21, 2016).

Preparation of a paper titled “Incitement on Terrorist Crimes through Advanced Technology” for the international scientific conference held by University of Jarash. Jordan, (May 5-7, 2015).

Participation in the seminar titled “Money Laundering in Financial Institutions in Iraq: Reality and Ambitions in View of the United Nations Anti-Corruption Agreement”, held by the Integrity Commission (18/09/2014).

Educational background

PhD of criminal law conferred with “great honour” grade. Thesis title: “Discretionary Power of Criminal Judge”, 2007-2013 University of Montpellier, France.

Master degree in Databases Archiving, 2006-2007, Paul Valery University, France.

Master degree of criminal law with a “very good” grade. Thesis title: “Effect of Plurality of Crimes on Punishment and Penal Procedures: Comparative Study”, 2001-2005, University of Mu’tah, Jordan.

Bachelors of law with a “very good” grade, 1995-1999, University of Mu’tah, Jordan.

Current positions/functions

Course Instructor of criminology “cybercrimes” in English for graduate students (master, criminology branch) (2016-present).

Head of the Continuous Education Unit, College of Law, University of Baghdad. (2015-present).

Teaching faculty member at the Criminal Law Branch at College of Law, University of Baghdad/Principles of Penology (public law dept.) Principles of criminology (2013-present).

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Supervising the production of a short film concerned with (the children’s rights in the UN Charter), which won the title of in the Documentary Film Competition (9/11/2015).

Participation in the workshop titled “Extent of Compatibility between Penal Trials Principles Law with International Conventions on Human Rights” held by the Judicial Institute in cooperation with Raul Institute in Sweden (12/10/2015).

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

Participation in the workshop titled “Woman Road to Justice Initiative” held by the International Rescue Committee (May 27-28, 2015).

Presenting a lecture in a seminar entitled “Terrorism and Its Effect on the Growth of Human Trafficking” held by College of Law, University of Baghdad (29/04/2015).

Presenting a lecture in a seminar entitled “Human Right to Live” held by College of Law, University of Baghdad (29/4/2014).

List of most recent publications in the field

Published a study entitled “Legal Organization of Money Laundering and Its Effect on Size of Investment” in the Legal Science Journal, College of Law, Univ. of Baghdad, the issue devoted for the Integrity Commission 8th Annual Scientific Conference (9/2/2016).

Published a study entitled “Incitement on Terrorist Crimes through Advanced Technology” at College of Law, Univ. of Baghdad, Volume 31, first issue, 2016.

Moncef Baati (Tunisia)

Date and place of birth: 11 June 1953, Sfax, Tunisia

Working languages: Arabic, French and English

Current position/function

Diplomatic adviser to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, July 2016-present; responsible for the international conference on support for the economy and promotion of investment “Tunisia 2020”, held on 29 and 30 November 2016, and for follow-up to the conference.

Lecturer at the Diplomatic Institute, Tunis, September 2013-present.

Main professional activities

Specialized researcher at the Tunisian Institute for Strategic Studies, October 2015-June 2016.

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland, August 2011-April 2013.

Director General for International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tunis, April 2010-August 2011.

Ambassador of Tunisia to the Republic of Korea, 2005-2007.

Chargé d'affaires en pied of Tunisia to Sweden, 2002-2005.

Deputy Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations Office at Geneva, 1992-1998.

First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Tunisia to the United Nations Office at Geneva, 1982-1988.

Educational background

Maîtrise (four-year degree) in private law, Faculty of Law, Political and Economic Sciences of Tunis, June 1978.

Inspecteur des finances adjoint (qualification as deputy inspector of finances), National School of Administration, Tunis, June 1976.

Baccalauréat (section lettres) (secondary-school-leaving certificate, letters section), 1973.

Certificate with distinction, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) trade policy course, 1980.

Member of the eighteenth session of the National Defence Institute of Tunis, 2000.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

In 1992, in my capacity as deputy Permanent Representative of Tunisia in Geneva, I played an active role in the elaboration of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action of the World Conference on Human Rights, held in Vienna. In 2011 and in the wake of the Revolution (January 2011), as Director General for International Organizations and Conferences at the Tunisian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, I was the main interlocutor with the human rights bodies of the United Nations. In this regard, I led the team that laid the groundwork for the ratification by Tunisia of six international human rights treaties, including the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. The team developed a statement of reasons for acceding to such a convention, thereby resulting in the initiation of the ratification process by the Government in February 2011 and notification of ratification in June 2011. The team also negotiated the headquarters agreement for the opening in Tunis of a country office of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. In addition, it extended a standing

invitation to the Special Rapporteurs in a statement made at the high-level segment of the Human Rights Council in February 2011. I represented Tunisia on the Human Rights Council between September 2011 and April 2013. Since September 2013, I have taught human rights at the Diplomatic Institute of Tunis.

Most recent publications in the field

“Démocratie, stabilité et développement en Tunisie. Gage d’une meilleure sécurité dans l’espace Euro-méditerranéen”, talk given as part of a seminar organized in Marseille, France, on 6 October 2015, by the Fondation Méditerranéenne d’Études Stratégiques.

“Les Mécanismes de protection des droits de l’homme”, contribution to the celebration of Human Rights Day organized by the Diplomatic Institute, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Association Tunisienne pour les Nations Unies, December 2015.

“La Contribution du système des Nations Unies au succès de la Révolution tunisienne”, *Bulletin de l’Association Tunisienne pour les Nations Unies*.

Mamadou Diakite (Mali)

Date and place of birth: 1950, Bamako

Working language: French

Current position/function

National coordinator, Joint United Nations Support Programme for the Promotion of Human Rights in Mali

Main professional activities

Lead and manage the Programme.

Develop and carry out annual workplans and quarterly activity plans.

Implement the Programme budget in cooperation with the national director and administrative and finance assistant; organize financial audits of the Programme.

Produce the Programme's annual and quarterly narrative and financial reports and its annual activity reports.

Organize assessment missions and steering committee meetings.

Provide support/advice on human rights to the Minister of Justice and Human Rights, other State institutions and civil society organizations.

Educational background

Doctorat d'état (doctorate) in law, University of Paris 1, Panthéon-Sorbonne, 1985.

Licence (three-year university degree) in legal sciences, University of Dakar, 1974.

Internships with French courts and the Senate, the International Institute of Human Rights in Strasbourg, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the European Court of Human Rights.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Organization of training on human rights for judges and court officials.

Preparation of handbooks on human rights training.

Participation in the preparation of national reports on the implementation of human rights instruments and evaluation of the recommendations of treaty bodies.

Participation in the preparation of draft legislation, while ensuring its compliance with human rights instruments.

Participation in the sessions of the Human Rights Council.

Most recent publications in the field

"Le Contrôle juridictionnel de l'administration au Mali", doctoral dissertation.

Handbooks and guides on human rights training.

Guide on the drafting of initial and periodic reports.

"Connaître vos droits de l'homme", guidebook.

Horacio Ricardo Ravenna (Argentina)

Date and place of birth: 11 August 1949, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Working languages: Spanish and English

Current position/function

Director of Institutional Relations, Office of the Ombudsman for the Prison System

Main professional activities

Director General for Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1983-1986.

Country's first professor of human rights to be appointed by competitive examination, National University of Lomas de Zamora, 1985.

Co-drafter of the National Plan against Discrimination, 2003-2005.

Coordinator, Bases for a National Human Rights Plan, 2007-2009.

President and director of international relations of the Permanent Assembly for Human Rights, a non-governmental organization founded by Raúl Alfonsín and other political and social leaders, 1978-2015.

Member, Chamber of Deputies, Buenos Aires Province; Chair, congressional Human Rights Committee, and Vice-chair, Constitutional Affairs Committee, 1987-1991.

Participated in the drafting of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, 2003-2006.

Participated in the drafting of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, in particular articles 6-9, 1979, 1984-1986 and 1989.

Senior legal counsel to the International Coalition against Enforced Disappearances.

Secretary-General, Memoria Abierta, 2012-2014.

Academic degrees

Attorney, graduate of the University of Buenos Aires, 1975.

Procurador (law degree), University of Buenos Aires, 1975.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Visiting professor, University of Quilmes, 2000-2007; course on human rights for teachers from Buenos Aires Province.

Visiting professor, Buenos Aires Province Police Academy, 2006.

Visiting instructor, invited by the Ministry of Justice and Security of the Province of Santiago del Estero to teach a course on human rights to the police and the Provincial Prison Service, 2007.

Visiting professor, invited by the Provincial University of La Punta, San Luis, to teach a course on human rights for civil servants from the executive and legislative branches and from law enforcement agencies, 2007.

Professor, Master's in Human Rights Programme, National University of Salta, 2007-2009.

Instructor for the Project to Strengthen the Human Rights Protection System (agreement No. ALA/2006/18076), coordinated by the European Union and the National Secretariat for Human Rights, 2009-2012.

Counsel, Latin American Federation of Associations of Relatives of Disappeared Detainees — in that capacity, I participate in the intersessional meetings of the working group with a view to drafting a legally binding instrument for protection from enforced disappearance.

Visiting instructor, invited by the Ministry of Justice and Security of the Province of Santiago del Estero and the local office of the Permanent Assembly for Human Rights to teach a course on the trials for crimes against humanity in Argentina to lawyers and judges, 2010.

Visiting instructor, invited by the Federation of Psychologists of the Argentine Republic to teach a course on public policy and human rights, 2012.

Most recent publications in the field

“Acceso a la justicia e impunidad”. In *Diccionario latinoamericano de bioética*, J.C. Tealdi, ed. Bogotá: UNESCO-Red Latinoamericana y del Caribe de Bioética, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2008.

Reflexiones sobre la profesión militar. Part 2, “Sobre las actitudes, principios y valores deseables en el ejercicio de la profesión militar”, chapter 3, “Compilación de artículos redactados por especialistas”, section 3.2, “Respeto de los derechos humanos”. Buenos Aires: Inter-American Institute of Human Rights and the Argentine Navy, 2008.

La intervención estatal en la protesta social. Dinámica entre el Estado y organizaciones de derechos humanos en la Argentina. Various authors. Héctor Masquelet, ed. Buenos Aires: Inter-American Platform for Human Rights, Democracy, and Development, 2010.

“Justicia e impunidad en los derechos humanos”. In *Nuevos derechos del hombre*, Elva Roulet and Jaime Sergio Cerdá, eds. Buenos Aires: EUDEBA, 2011.

“Pasado y futuro de los derechos humanos en el siglo XXI”. In *En honor a la verdad*, Elvio Omar Toscano. Villa María, Córdoba: El Mensú Ediciones, 2013.

Koji Teraya (Japan)

Date and place of birth: 17 August 1969, Otaru, Japan

Working languages: English, Japanese

Current position/function

Professor, Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, University of Tokyo

Vice Chair, School of Legal and Political Studies, University of Tokyo

Member of the Executive Board and the Planning Committee, International Human Rights Law Association

Member of the Editorial Committee, The Japanese Association of World Law

Manager of the Secretariat, Japanese Society of International Law

Main professional activities:

Professor Teraya has over 20 years of experience of teaching and researching in the areas of International Law, International Human Rights Law, and International Humanitarian Law both in Japan and internationally.

Professor Teraya is a Professor of International Law at the University of Tokyo Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, and has also worked as an Exchange Visiting Professor of Law (2015) and Visiting Scholar (2010-2011) at Columbia Law School, USA, a Visiting Associate Professor (2010) at the University of Michigan Law School, USA, and a Visiting Fellow (1998-2000) at the Lauterpacht Research Centre for International Law of the University of Cambridge, UK.

Professor Teraya has published a large number of publications, including on the role of the international human rights treaties and human rights-based approaches to various global challenges.

Educational background

Faculty of Law, University of Tokyo, Japan (Bachelor of Law) (April 1990-March 1994)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Professor Teraya is a member of various international academic associations including the Japanese Society of International Law, the American Society of International Law, the European Society of International Law, the International Human Rights Law Association, and the Japanese Association of World Law.

Professor Teraya has actively contributed to the work of the above-mentioned associations including as an Executive Board Member.

In addition, he served as a Co-Rapporteur of the International Human Rights Law Committee of the International Law Association (2012-2016).

List of most recent publications in the field

“The Impact of the International Covenants on Human Rights on the Rights of Foreigners in Japan”, Japanese Yearbook of International Law, Vol. 59, 2017.

“Judicial Dialogue’ in International Law: Theoretical Background”, The Horitsu Jiho, Vol. 89, No. 2, February, 2017. (Japanese)

“Human Rights-Based Thinking in International Law: Background and Development”, Human Rights International, No. 27, 2016. (Japanese).

“Theory of Human Rights Diplomacy: A Consideration on the Role of International Law in Diplomacy”, Shunji Yanai and Shinya Murase (eds.), Putting International Law into Practice: In Memory of Ambassador Ichiro Komatsu, Shinzansha, 2015. (Japanese).

“Regulation for Non-State Actors by International Human Rights Treaties: A Case Study in Japan”, Soochow Law Journal, Vol. 8, No. 2, 2011.