



International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance

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Sixth meeting

New York, 14 June 2021

Agenda item 5

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Note by the Secretary-General*

Addendum

1. In accordance with article 26 of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, the sixth meeting of the States parties to the Convention was held at United Nations Headquarters on Monday, 14 June 2021, 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 to replace those whose terms were due to expire on 30 June 2021.
2. In accordance with article 26 (3) of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 30 November 2020, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of members of the Committee by 1 March 2021. The curricula vitae of the three persons whose nominations were received by 1 March 2021 are contained in document CED/SP/6/2. The curriculum vitae of a further candidate, whose nomination was received after 1 March 2021, is contained in document CED/SP/6/2/Add.1.
3. The annex to the present document contains the curricula vitae of two additional candidates, whose nominations by Ecuador and Belgium were received on 4 and 11 June 2021, respectively.

* The present document was submitted after the deadline so as to include the most recent information.



Annex

Curriculum vitae*

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[Original: English/Spanish]

Date and place of birth: 6 September 1974, Guayaquil, Ecuador

United Nations working languages: Spanish, English, French

Current position/function:

Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Law School. Since 2010

- Professor of Human Rights, Criminal Law and International Law.
- Director of the Public Interest Law Clinics.
- Director of the Legal Aid Clinic.

Main professional activities:

Ecuadorian National Council of the Judiciary for the Transition (Council member). 2018

Inter-American Commission on Human Rights Assistant Attorney (“Rómulo Gallegos” Fellow) for the desk of Argentina. 2001–2002

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador, Law School. Director of the Human Rights Clinic. Coordinator of the Criminal Law Section at the Legal Aid Clinic. 1999–2001

Independent professional practice. Constitutional and criminal law litigation

Government and Police Ministry. Adviser to the Vice minister of Government. 1997–1998

Legal expertise/experience and other main activities in the field of enforced disappearances:

Representation of relatives of victims and civil society organizations working with relatives of victims of enforced disappearance in various countries of the region from his role as Principal Specialist of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and Director of the Public Interest Law Clinics and Director of the Legal Aid Clinic of the San Francisco de Quito University.

Study of the forced disappearance issue and identification of good practices, as part of the Committee of Experts of the Program of Good Practices in Human Rights – Council of Europe – Global Campus on Human Rights.

Expert of the System of Specialized Jurisdiction for Peace in Colombia, who deals with the investigation and punishment of crimes committed in the framework of the internal armed conflict that affected that country for decades (including tens of thousands of enforced disappearances).

Educational background:

The Law School, University of Notre Dame, Indiana – USA. Doctorate in International Human Rights Law (Doctor of the Science of Law J.S.D.).

Center for Civil and Human Rights, University of Notre Dame, Indiana – USA. International Human Rights Law Master LL.M. (Magna Cum Laude).

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador. Doctor of Jurisprudence. Lawyer of the Tribunals and Courts of the Republic of Ecuador. Bachelor of Laws.

List of most recent publications, particularly in the field of enforced disappearances:

1. Unfinished business? Dealing with the complicity of entrepreneurs in the crimes of the military dictatorship in Argentina, Quebec Journal of International Law, Société Québécoise de Droit International (fall of 2021).
2. Outstanding debts: Punishment attempts, broken promises and the pending reconciliation in Ecuador (May 2019), <https://bit.ly/3idPftM>.
3. Do Venezuelans have a right to raise up in arms against their Government? (May 2018), <https://bit.ly/2Scyu6g>.
4. Los límites jurídicos al uso de la fuerza por parte de la Policía, en Defensa y Justicia (Legal thresholds for the use of force by the police, in defence and justice) No. 19, in Revista de la Defensoría Pública del Ecuador, <http://www.defensayjusticia.gob.ec/dyj/?p=1873> (2016).
5. ¿Qué es un delito de lesa humanidad? (What is a crime against humanity?), in La República diario digital <http://www.larepublica.ec/blog/opinion/2015/11/30/que-es-un-delito-de-lesa-humanidad/> (2015).
6. Promesa incumplida: la implementación de la Ley de Reparaciones en el Ecuador (Unfulfilled promise: The implementation of the Reparations Act in Ecuador), in GKillCity revista digital <http://www.gkillcity.com/articulos/el-mirador-politico/promesa-incumplida-la-implementacion-la-ley-reparaciones-el-ecuador> (2015).
7. Treinta años de impunidad y contando (Thirty years of impunity and counting), in GKillCity revista digital <http://gkillcity.com/articulos/el-mirador-politico/treinta-anos-impunidad-y-contando> (2015).
8. Delitos de función v. violaciones de derechos humanos: El fuero privativo como mecanismo de impunidad (Offences committed in the course of duty v. human rights violations: Special courts as a mechanism of impunity), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <http://wp.me/p41HUI-2V> (2014).
9. La reconciliación pendiente: El proceso de judicialización de los casos del informe de la Comisión de la Verdad del Ecuador (Reconciliation pending: The process of bringing to trial the cases in the report of the Ecuadorian Truth Commission), in Aportes No. 18 Magazine, Due Process of Law Foundation http://dplf.org/sites/default/files/aportes_18_web.pdf (2014).
10. La obediencia debida y las violaciones a los derechos humanos (Due obedience and human rights violations), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <http://wp.me/p41HUI-2F> (2014).
11. Cosa juzgada fraudulenta v. prohibición de doble juzgamiento (Fraudulent *res judicata* v. prohibition of double jeopardy), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <https://prohomine.wordpress.com/2013/11/24/cosa-juzgada-fraudulenta-v-prohibicion-de-doble-juzgamiento/> (2013).
12. Las graves violaciones a los derechos humanos como categoría jurídica (Serious human rights violations as a legal category), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <https://prohomine.wordpress.com/2013/11/03/las-graves-violaciones-a-los-derechos-humanos-como-categoria-juridica/> (2013).
13. Las otras víctimas (los allegados de la víctima como parte lesionada) (The other victims (the victim's next of kin as an injured party)), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <http://wp.me/p41HUI-C> (2013).
14. Sobre la imprescriptibilidad de la acción penal en casos de graves violaciones a los DDHH (On the non-applicability of statutory limitations to criminal proceedings in cases of serious human rights violations), in Prohomine, Blog de Derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional <https://prohomine.wordpress.com/2013/10/26/sobre-la-imprescriptibilidad-de-la-accion-penal-en-casos-de-graves-violaciones-a-los-ddhh/> (2013).

Stephan Parmentier (Belgium)

Date and place of birth: 25 November 1960, Ghent, Belgium

United Nations working languages: French, English, Spanish

Current position/function:

Professor of Sociology of Crime, Law, and Human Rights at the Faculty of Law of the University of Leuven, Belgium (since 1997) (www.law.kuleuven.be/English). Chairperson of the Interfaculty Council for Development Cooperation at KU Leuven (since 2017), Vice Dean for International Relations at the Faculty of Law (since 2020) and Coordinator of the Research Line on Human Rights and Transitional Justice at the Leuven Institute of Criminology (since 2007).

Main professional activities:

In the field of **academia**, I was/am involved in the following activities, i.a.:

Co-founder and co-general editor of the first global book Series on Transitional Justice, published by Intersentia Publishers, Cambridge/Antwerp (25 volumes since 2007); partner in the COST project on “Justice 360 – Global Atrocity Justice Constellations”, with partners from 35 countries (since 2020); empirical research in the Balkans, Central Africa and South America;

Guest professor and lecturer (including at Aix-Marseille, Oñati, San José, Sydney, Tilburg, Tokyo, Venice), and visiting scholar (at Buenos Aires, Harvard, Oxford, Stellenbosch, Sydney);

Secretary-General of the International Society for Criminology, Paris (since 2010), and Advisory Board member of the Centre for Criminology, University of Oxford (since 2010);

In the field of **policy making and practice**, I serve(d) in the following positions:

Assessor and Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the Standing Refugee Appeals Board, Brussels (1992–93);

Advisory Board member of the International Centre for Transitional Justice, New York (since 2013).

Legal expertise/experience and other main activities in the field of enforced disappearances:

At KU Leuven, supervisor of doctoral and post-doctoral research on “Disappearances committed by organised criminal groups, the case of Mexico” (since 2017, part of ERC project on Digital Memories), and “Disappearances in international law” (2015). Focus of sabbatical project on “Victim reparations and institutional reforms in post-dictatorship Argentina” (with research stays at Harvard Kennedy School and University of Buenos Aires in 2018–19).

Since 2001, legal consultant to grass-roots organizations dealing with cases of disappearances in Central America.

Educational background:

At KU Leuven: licentiate in law magna cum laude (1983 – international law, criminal law); licentiate in sociology magna cum laude (1987 – sociology of law); PhD. in law (1997 – human rights) under the co-supervision of Prof. Paul Lemmens (Belgian Judge at the European Court of Human Rights);

At University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, USA: Master of Arts in sociology magna cum laude (1987 – sociology of law, conflict resolution).

List of most recent publications, particularly in the field of enforced disappearances:

LEMMENS, Koen, PARMENTIER, Stephan & REYNTJENS, Louise (2019) (eds.), *Human Rights with a Human Touch*, Cambridge/Antwerp, Intersentia, 788 p;

PARMENTIER, Stephan (2019) *Transitional Justice: Reframing international law in times of violent conflict*, Proceedings Royal Netherlands Society of International Law (KNVIR), 69–105. The Hague: Asser Press;

SARKIN, Jeremy, ZINSSTAG, Estelle & PARMENTIER, Stephan (2017) (eds.), *Special Issue on Transitional Justice of 11(1) Human Rights and International Legal Discourse* 1–119.
