Contents of request for arrest and surrender

- A request for arrest and surrender shall be made in writing. In urgent cases, a request may be made by any medium capable of delivering a written record, provided that the request shall be confirmed through the channel provided for in article 87, paragraph 1 (a).
- 2. In the case of a request for the arrest and surrender of a person for whom a warrant of arrest has been issued by the Pre-Trial Chamber under article 58, the request shall contain or be supported by:
- (a) Information describing the person sought, sufficient to identify the person, and information as to that person's probable location;
 - (b) A copy of the warrant of arrest; and
- (c) Such documents, statements or information as may be necessary to meet the requirements for the surrender process in the requested State, except that those requirements should not be more burdensome than those applicable to requests for extradition pursuant to treaties or arrangements between the requested State and other States and should, if possible, be less burdensome, taking into account the distinct nature of the Court.
- 3. In the case of a request for the arrest and surrender of a person already convicted, the request shall contain or be supported by:
 - (a) A copy of any warrant of arrest for that person;
 - (b) A copy of the judgement of conviction;
- (c) Information to demonstrate that the person sought is the one referred to in the judgement of conviction; and
- (d) If the person sought has been sentenced, a copy of the sentence imposed and, in the case of a sentence for imprisonment, a statement of any time already served and the time remaining to be served.
- 4. Upon the request of the Court, a State Party shall consult with the Court, either generally or with respect to a specific matter, regarding any requirements under its national law that may apply under paragraph 2 (c). During the consultations, the State Party shall advise the Court of the specific requirements of its national law.

Article 92

Provisional arrest

- In urgent cases, the Court may request the provisional arrest of the person sought, pending presentation of the request for surrender and the documents supporting the request as specified in article 91.
- 2. The request for provisional arrest shall be made by any medium capable of delivering a written record and shall contain:
- (a) Information describing the person sought, sufficient to identify the person, and information as to that person's probable location;
- (b) A concise statement of the crimes for which the person's arrest is sought and of the facts which are alleged to constitute those crimes, including, where possible, the date and location of the crime;
- (c) A statement of the existence of a warrant of arrest or a judgement of conviction against the person sought; and
 - (d) A statement that a request for surrender of the person sought will follow.

- 3. A person who is provisionally arrested may be released from custody if the requested State has not received the request for surrender and the documents supporting the request as specified in article 91 within the time limits specified in the Rules of Procedure and Evidence. However, the person may consent to surrender before the expiration of this period if permitted by the law of the requested State. In such a case, the requested State shall proceed to surrender the person to the Court as soon as possible.
- 4. The fact that the person sought has been released from custody pursuant to paragraph 3 shall not prejudice the subsequent arrest and surrender of that person if the request for surrender and the documents supporting the request are delivered at a later date.

Article 93

Other forms of cooperation

- States Parties shall, in accordance with the provisions of this Part and under procedures of national law, comply with requests by the Court to provide the following assistance in relation to investigations or prosecutions:
 - (a) The identification and whereabouts of persons or the location of items;
- (b) The taking of evidence, including testimony under oath, and the production of evidence, including expert opinions and reports necessary to the Court;
 - (c) The questioning of any person being investigated or prosecuted;
 - The service of documents, including judicial documents;
- (e) Facilitating the voluntary appearance of persons as witnesses or experts before the
 Court;
 - (f) The temporary transfer of persons as provided in paragraph 7;
- (g) The examination of places or sites, including the exhumation and examination of grave sites;
 - (h) The execution of searches and seizures;
- (i) The provision of records and documents, including official records and documents;
 - (j) The protection of victims and witnesses and the preservation of evidence:
- (k) The identification, tracing and freezing or seizure of proceeds, property and assets and instrumentalities of crimes for the purpose of eventual forfeiture, without prejudice to the rights of bona fide third parties; and
- (I) Any other type of assistance which is not prohibited by the law of the requested State, with a view to facilitating the investigation and prosecution of crimes within the jurisdiction of the Court.
- 2. The Court shall have the authority to provide an assurance to a witness or an expert appearing before the Court that he or she will not be prosecuted, detained or subjected to any restriction of personal freedom by the Court in respect of any act or omission that preceded the departure of that person from the requested State.
- 3. Where execution of a particular measure of assistance detailed in a request presented under paragraph 1, is prohibited in the requested State on the basis of an existing fundamental legal principle of general application, the requested State shall promptly consult with the Court to try to resolve the matter. In the consultations, consideration should be given to whether the assistance can be rendered in another manner or subject to conditions. If after consultations the matter cannot be resolved, the Court shall modify the request as necessary.

- 4. In accordance with article 72, a State Party may deny a request for assistance, in whole or in part, only if the request concerns the production of any documents or disclosure of evidence which relates to its national security.
- 5. Before denying a request for assistance under paragraph 1 (l), the requested State shall consider whether the assistance can be provided subject to specified conditions, or whether the assistance can be provided at a later date or in an alternative manner, provided that if the Court or the Prosecutor accepts the assistance subject to conditions, the Court or the Prosecutor shall abide by them.
- If a request for assistance is denied, the requested State Party shall promptly inform the Court or the Prosecutor of the reasons for such denial.
- 7. (a) The Court may request the temporary transfer of a person in custody for purposes of identification or for obtaining testimony or other assistance. The person may be transferred if the following conditions are fulfilled:
 - (i) The person freely gives his or her informed consent to the transfer; and
 - (ii) The requested State agrees to the transfer, subject to such conditions as that State and the Court may agree.
- (b) The person being transferred shall remain in custody. When the purposes of the transfer have been fulfilled, the Court shall return the person without delay to the requested State.
- (a) The Court shall ensure the confidentiality of documents and information, except as required for the investigation and proceedings described in the request.
- (b) The requested State may, when necessary, transmit documents or information to the Prosecutor on a confidential basis. The Prosecutor may then use them solely for the purpose of generating new evidence.
- (c) The requested State may, on its own motion or at the request of the Prosecutor, subsequently consent to the disclosure of such documents or information. They may then be used as evidence pursuant to the provisions of Parts 5 and 6 and in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.
- 9. (a) (i) In the event that a State Party receives competing requests, other than for surrender or extradition, from the Court and from another State pursuant to an international obligation, the State Party shall endeavour, in consultation with the Court and the other State, to meet both requests, if necessary by postponing or attaching conditions to one or the other request.
 - (ii) Failing that, competing requests shall be resolved in accordance with the principles established in article 90.
- (b) Where, however, the request from the Court concerns information, property or persons which are subject to the control of a third State or an international organization by virtue of an international agreement, the requested States shall so inform the Court and the Court shall direct its request to the third State or international organization.
- 10. (a) The Court may, upon request, cooperate with and provide assistance to a State Party conducting an investigation into or trial in respect of conduct which constitutes a crime within the jurisdiction of the Court or which constitutes a serious crime under the national law of the requesting State.
 - (i) The assistance provided under subparagraph (a) shall include, inter alia:
 - The transmission of statements, documents or other types of evidence obtained in the course of an investigation or a trial conducted by the Court; and
 - The questioning of any person detained by order of the Court;

- (ii) In the case of assistance under subparagraph (b) (i) a:
 - If the documents or other types of evidence have been obtained with the assistance of a State, such transmission shall require the consent of that State;
 - If the statements, documents or other types of evidence have been provided by a witness or expert, such transmission shall be subject to the provisions of article 68.
- (c) The Court may, under the conditions set out in this paragraph, grant a request for assistance under this paragraph from a State which is not a Party to this Statute.

Postponement of execution of a request in respect of ongoing investigation or prosecution

- If the immediate execution of a request would interfere with an ongoing investigation or prosecution of a case different from that to which the request relates, the requested State may postpone the execution of the request for a period of time agreed upon with the Court. However, the postponement shall be no longer than is necessary to complete the relevant investigation or prosecution in the requested State. Before making a decision to postpone, the requested State should consider whether the assistance may be immediately provided subject to certain conditions.
- 2. If a decision to postpone is taken pursuant to paragraph 1, the Prosecutor may, however, seek measures to preserve evidence, pursuant to article 93, paragraph 1 (j).

Article 95

Postponement of execution of a request in respect of an admissibility challenge

Where there is an admissibility challenge under consideration by the Court pursuant to article 18 or 19, the requested State may postpone the execution of a request under this Part pending a determination by the Court, unless the Court has specifically ordered that the Prosecutor may pursue the collection of such evidence pursuant to article 18 or 19.

Article 96

Contents of request for other forms of assistance under article 93

- A request for other forms of assistance referred to in article 93 shall be made in writing. In urgent cases, a request may be made by any medium capable of delivering a written record, provided that the request shall be confirmed through the channel provided for in article 87, paragraph 1 (a).
- The request shall, as applicable, contain or be supported by the following:
- (a) A concise statement of the purpose of the request and the assistance sought, including the legal basis and the grounds for the request;
- (b) As much detailed information as possible about the location or identification of any person or place that must be found or identified in order for the assistance sought to be provided;
 - (c) A concise statement of the essential facts underlying the request;
 - (d) The reasons for and details of any procedure or requirement to be followed;
- Such information as may be required under the law of the requested State in order to execute the request; and
 - (f) Any other information relevant in order for the assistance sought to be provided.

- 3. Upon the request of the Court, a State Party shall consult with the Court, either generally or with respect to a specific matter, regarding any requirements under its national law that may apply under paragraph 2 (e). During the consultations, the State Party shall advise the Court of the specific requirements of its national law.
- The provisions of this article shall, where applicable, also apply in respect of a request for assistance made to the Court.

Consultations

Where a State Party receives a request under this Part in relation to which it identifies problems which may impede or prevent the execution of the request, that State shall consult with the Court without delay in order to resolve the matter. Such problems may include, inter alia:

- (a) Insufficient information to execute the request;
- (b) In the case of a request for surrender, the fact that despite best efforts, the person sought cannot be located or that the investigation conducted has determined that the person in the requested State is clearly not the person named in the warrant; or
- (c) The fact that execution of the request in its current form would require the requested State to breach a pre-existing treaty obligation undertaken with respect to another State.

Article 98

Cooperation with respect to waiver of immunity and consent to surrender

- The Court may not proceed with a request for surrender or assistance which would require
 the requested State to act inconsistently with its obligations under international law with respect to
 the State or diplomatic immunity of a person or property of a third State, unless the Court can first
 obtain the cooperation of that third State for the waiver of the immunity.
- 2. The Court may not proceed with a request for surrender which would require the requested State to act inconsistently with its obligations under international agreements pursuant to which the consent of a sending State is required to surrender a person of that State to the Court, unless the Court can first obtain the cooperation of the sending State for the giving of consent for the surrender.

Article 99

Execution of requests under articles 93 and 96

- Requests for assistance shall be executed in accordance with the relevant procedure under the law of the requested State and, unless prohibited by such law, in the manner specified in the request, including following any procedure outlined therein or permitting persons specified in the request to be present at and assist in the execution process.
- In the case of an urgent request, the documents or evidence produced in response shall, at the request of the Court, be sent urgently.
- Replies from the requested State shall be transmitted in their original language and form.
- 4. Without prejudice to other articles in this Part, where it is necessary for the successful execution of a request which can be executed without any compulsory measures, including specifically the interview of or taking evidence from a person on a voluntary basis, including doing so without the presence of the authorities of the requested State Party if it is essential for the

request to be executed, and the examination without modification of a public site or other public place, the Prosecutor may execute such request directly on the territory of a State as follows:

- (a) When the State Party requested is a State on the territory of which the crime is alleged to have been committed, and there has been a determination of admissibility pursuant to article 18 or 19, the Prosecutor may directly execute such request following all possible consultations with the requested State Party;
- (b) In other cases, the Prosecutor may execute such request following consultations with the requested State Party and subject to any reasonable conditions or concerns raised by that State Party. Where the requested State Party identifies problems with the execution of a request pursuant to this subparagraph it shall, without delay, consult with the Court to resolve the matter.
- Provisions allowing a person heard or examined by the Court under article 72 to invoke restrictions designed to prevent disclosure of confidential information connected with national security shall also apply to the execution of requests for assistance under this article.

Article 100

Costs

- 1. The ordinary costs for execution of requests in the territory of the requested State shall be borne by that State, except for the following, which shall be borne by the Court:
- (a) Costs associated with the travel and security of witnesses and experts or the transfer under article 93 of persons in custody;
 - (b) Costs of translation, interpretation and transcription;
- (c) Travel and subsistence costs of the judges, the Prosecutor, the Deputy Prosecutors, the Registrar, the Deputy Registrar and staff of any organ of the Court;
 - (d) Costs of any expert opinion or report requested by the Court:
- (e) Costs associated with the transport of a person being surrendered to the Court by a custodial State; and
- (f) Following consultations, any extraordinary costs that may result from the execution of a request.
- 2. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall, as appropriate, apply to requests from States Parties to the Court. In that case, the Court shall bear the ordinary costs of execution.

Article 101

Rule of speciality

- A person surrendered to the Court under this Statute shall not be proceeded against, punished or detained for any conduct committed prior to surrender, other than the conduct or course of conduct which forms the basis of the crimes for which that person has been surrendered.
- 2. The Court may request a waiver of the requirements of paragraph 1 from the State which surrendered the person to the Court and, if necessary, the Court shall provide additional information in accordance with article 91. States Parties shall have the authority to provide a waiver to the Court and should endeavour to do so.

Article 102

Use of terms

For the purposes of this Statute:

(a) "surrender" means the delivering up of a person by a State to the Court, pursuant to this Statute. (b) "extradition" means the delivering up of a person by one State to another as provided by treaty, convention or national legislation.

PART 10, ENFORCEMENT

Article 103

Role of States in enforcement of sentences of imprisonment

- (a) A sentence of imprisonment shall be served in a State designated by the Court from a list of States which have indicated to the Court their willingness to accept sentenced persons.
- (b) At the time of declaring its willingness to accept sentenced persons, a State may attach conditions to its acceptance as agreed by the Court and in accordance with this Part.
- (c) A State designated in a particular case shall promptly inform the Court whether it accepts the Court's designation.
- 2. (a) The State of enforcement shall notify the Court of any circumstances, including the exercise of any conditions agreed under paragraph 1, which could materially affect the terms or extent of the imprisonment. The Court shall be given at least 45 days' notice of any such known or foreseeable circumstances. During this period, the State of enforcement shall take no action that might prejudice its obligations under article 110.
- (b) Where the Court cannot agree to the circumstances referred to in subparagraph (a), it shall notify the State of enforcement and proceed in accordance with article 104, paragraph 1.
- 3. In exercising its discretion to make a designation under paragraph 1, the Court shall take into account the following:
- (a) The principle that States Parties should share the responsibility for enforcing sentences of imprisonment, in accordance with principles of equitable distribution, as provided in the Rules of Procedure and Evidence;
- (b) The application of widely accepted international treaty standards governing the treatment of prisoners;
 - (c) The views of the sentenced person;
 - (d) The nationality of the sentenced person;
- (e) Such other factors regarding the circumstances of the crime or the person sentenced, or the effective enforcement of the sentence, as may be appropriate in designating the State of enforcement.
- 4. If no State is designated under paragraph 1, the sentence of imprisonment shall be served in a prison facility made available by the host State, in accordance with the conditions set out in the headquarters agreement referred to in article 3, paragraph 2. In such a case, the costs arising out of the enforcement of a sentence of imprisonment shall be borne by the Court.

Article 104

Change in designation of State of enforcement

- The Court may, at any time, decide to transfer a sentenced person to a prison of another State.
- A sentenced person may, at any time, apply to the Court to be transferred from the State of enforcement.

Article 105

Enforcement of the sentence

- Subject to conditions which a State may have specified in accordance with article 103, paragraph 1 (b), the sentence of imprisonment shall be binding on the States Parties, which shall in no case modify it.
- The Court alone shall have the right to decide any application for appeal and revision. The State of enforcement shall not impede the making of any such application by a sentenced person.

Article 10

Supervision of enforcement of sentences and conditions of imprisonment

- The enforcement of a sentence of imprisonment shall be subject to the supervision of the Court and shall be consistent with widely accepted international treaty standards governing treatment of prisoners.
- 2. The conditions of imprisonment shall be governed by the law of the State of enforcement and shall be consistent with widely accepted international treaty standards governing treatment of prisoners; in no case shall such conditions be more or less favourable than those available to prisoners convicted of similar offences in the State of enforcement.
- Communications between a sentenced person and the Court shall be unimpeded and confidential.

Article 107

Transfer of the person upon completion of sentence

- 1. Following completion of the sentence, a person who is not a national of the State of enforcement may, in accordance with the law of the State of enforcement, be transferred to a State which is obliged to receive him or her, or to another State which agrees to receive him or her, taking into account any wishes of the person to be transferred to that State, unless the State of enforcement authorizes the person to remain in its territory.
- 2. If no State bears the costs arising out of transferring the person to another State pursuant to paragraph 1, such costs shall be borne by the Court.
- 3. Subject to the provisions of article 108, the State of enforcement may also, in accordance with its national law, extradite or otherwise surrender the person to a State which has requested the extradition or surrender of the person for purposes of trial or enforcement of a sentence.

Article 108

Limitation on the prosecution or punishment of other offences

- A sentenced person in the custody of the State of enforcement shall not be subject to
 prosecution or punishment or to extradition to a third State for any conduct engaged in prior to that
 person's delivery to the State of enforcement, unless such prosecution, punishment or extradition
 has been approved by the Court at the request of the State of enforcement.
- The Court shall decide the matter after having heard the views of the sentenced person.
- 3. Paragraph 1 shall cease to apply if the sentenced person remains voluntarily for more than 30 days in the territory of the State of enforcement after having served the full sentence imposed by the Court, or returns to the territory of that State after having left it.

Enforcement of fines and forfeiture measures

- States Parties shall give effect to fines or forfeitures ordered by the Court under Part 7, without prejudice to the rights of bona fide third parties, and in accordance with the procedure of their potional law.
- If a State Party is unable to give effect to an order for forfeiture, it shall take measures to
 recover the value of the proceeds, property or assets ordered by the Court to be forfeited, without
 prejudice to the rights of bona fide third parties.
- Property, or the proceeds of the sale of real property or, where appropriate, the sale of other
 property, which is obtained by a State Party as a result of its enforcement of a judgement of the
 Court shall be transferred to the Court.

Article 110

Review by the Court concerning reduction of sentence

- The State of enforcement shall not release the person before expiry of the sentence pronounced by the Court.
- The Court alone shall have the right to decide any reduction of sentence, and shall rule on the matter after having heard the person.
- 3. When the person has served two thirds of the sentence, or 25 years in the case of life imprisonment, the Court shall review the sentence to determine whether it should be reduced. Such a review shall not be conducted before that time.
- 4. In its review under paragraph 3, the Court may reduce the sentence if it finds that one or more of the following factors are present:
- (a) The early and continuing willingness of the person to cooperate with the Court in its investigations and prosecutions;
- (b) The voluntary assistance of the person in enabling the enforcement of the judgements and orders of the Court in other cases, and in particular providing assistance in locating assets subject to orders of fine, forfeiture or reparation which may be used for the benefit of victims; or
- (c) Other factors establishing a clear and significant change of circumstances sufficient to justify the reduction of sentence, as provided in the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.
- 5. If the Court determines in its initial review under paragraph 3 that it is not appropriate to reduce the sentence, it shall thereafter review the question of reduction of sentence at such intervals and applying such criteria as provided for in the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

Article 111

Escape

If a convicted person escapes from custody and flees the State of enforcement, that State may, after consultation with the Court, request the person's surrender from the State in which the person is located pursuant to existing bilateral or multilateral arrangements, or may request that the Court seek the person's surrender, in accordance with Part 9. It may direct that the person be delivered to the State in which he or she was serving the sentence or to another State designated by the Court.

PART 11. ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES

Article 112

Assembly of States Parties

- An Assembly of States Parties to this Statute is hereby established. Each State Party shall
 have one representative in the Assembly who may be accompanied by alternates and advisers.
 Other States which have signed this Statute or the Final Act may be observers in the Assembly.
- The Assembly shall:
- (a) Consider and adopt, as appropriate, recommendations of the Preparatory Commission;
- (b) Provide management oversight to the Presidency, the Prosecutor and the Registrar regarding the administration of the Court;
- (c) Consider the reports and activities of the Bureau established under paragraph 3 and take appropriate action in regard thereto;
 - (d) Consider and decide the budget for the Court;
 - (e) Decide whether to alter, in accordance with article 36, the number of judges;
- (f) Consider pursuant to article 87, paragraphs 5 and 7, any question relating to non-cooperation;
- (g) Perform any other function consistent with this Statute or the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.
- 3. (a) The Assembly shall have a Bureau consisting of a President, two Vice-Presidents and 18 members elected by the Assembly for three-year terms.
- (b) The Bureau shall have a representative character, taking into account, in particular, equitable geographical distribution and the adequate representation of the principal legal systems of the world.
- (c) The Bureau shall meet as often as necessary, but at least once a year. It shall assist the Assembly in the discharge of its responsibilities.
- 4. The Assembly may establish such subsidiary bodies as may be necessary, including an independent oversight mechanism for inspection, evaluation and investigation of the Court, in order to enhance its efficiency and economy.
- The President of the Court, the Prosecutor and the Registrar or their representatives may participate, as appropriate, in meetings of the Assembly and of the Bureau.
- 6. The Assembly shall meet at the seat of the Court or at the Headquarters of the United Nations once a year and, when circumstances so require, hold special sessions. Except as otherwise specified in this Statute, special sessions shall be convened by the Bureau on its own initiative or at the request of one third of the States Parties.
- 7. Each State Party shall have one vote. Every effort shall be made to reach decisions by consensus in the Assembly and in the Bureau. If consensus cannot be reached, except as otherwise provided in the Statute:
- (a) Decisions on matters of substance must be approved by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting provided that an absolute majority of States Parties constitutes the quorum for voting;
- (b) Decisions on matters of procedure shall be taken by a simple majority of States Parties present and voting.

- 8. A State Party which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions towards the costs of the Court shall have no vote in the Assembly and in the Bureau if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a State Party to vote in the Assembly and in the Bureau if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the State Party.
- The Assembly shall adopt its own rules of procedure.
- The official and working languages of the Assembly shall be those of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

PART 12. FINANCING

Article 113

Financial Regulations

Except as otherwise specifically provided, all financial matters related to the Court and the meetings of the Assembly of States Parties, including its Bureau and subsidiary bodies, shall be governed by this Statute and the Financial Regulations and Rules adopted by the Assembly of States Parties.

Article 114

Payment of expenses

Expenses of the Court and the Assembly of States Parties, including its Bureau and subsidiary bodies, shall be paid from the funds of the Court.

Article 115

Funds of the Court and of the Assembly of States Parties

The expenses of the Court and the Assembly of States Parties, including its Bureau and subsidiary bodies, as provided for in the budget decided by the Assembly of States Parties, shall be provided by the following sources:

- (a) Assessed contributions made by States Parties;
- (b) Funds provided by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the General Assembly, in particular in relation to the expenses incurred due to referrals by the Security Council.

Article 116

Voluntary contributions

Without prejudice to article 115, the Court may receive and utilize, as additional funds, voluntary contributions from Governments, international organizations, individuals, corporations and other entities, in accordance with relevant criteria adopted by the Assembly of States Parties.

Article 117

Assessment of contributions

The contributions of States Parties shall be assessed in accordance with an agreed scale of assessment, based on the scale adopted by the United Nations for its regular budget and adjusted in accordance with the principles on which that scale is based.

Article 118

Annual audit

The records, books and accounts of the Court, including its annual financial statements, shall be audited annually by an independent auditor.

PART 13. FINAL CLAUSES

Article 119

Settlement of disputes

- Any dispute concerning the judicial functions of the Court shall be settled by the decision
 of the Court.
- 2. Any other dispute between two or more States Parties relating to the interpretation or application of this Statute which is not settled through negotiations within three months of their commencement shall be referred to the Assembly of States Parties. The Assembly may itself seek to settle the dispute or may make recommendations on further means of settlement of the dispute, including referral to the International Court of Justice in conformity with the Statute of that Court.

Article 120

Reservations

No reservations may be made to this Statute.

Article 121

Amendments

- 1. After the expiry of seven years from the entry into force of this Statute, any State Party may propose amendments thereto. The text of any proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who shall promptly circulate it to all States Parties.
- No sooner than three months from the date of notification, the Assembly of States Parties, at its next meeting, shall, by a majority of those present and voting, decide whether to take up the proposal. The Assembly may deal with the proposal directly or convene a Review Conference if the issue involved so warrants.
- The adoption of an amendment at a meeting of the Assembly of States Parties or at a Review Conference on which consensus cannot be reached shall require a two-thirds majority of States Parties.
- 4. Except as provided in paragraph 5, an amendment shall enter into force for all States Parties one year after instruments of ratification or acceptance have been deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations by seven-eighths of them.
- 5. Any amendment to articles 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this Statute shall enter into force for those States Parties which have accepted the amendment one year after the deposit of their instruments of ratification or acceptance. In respect of a State Party which has not accepted the amendment, the Court shall not exercise its jurisdiction regarding a crime covered by the amendment when committed by that State Party's nationals or on its territory.
- 6. If an amendment has been accepted by seven-eighths of States Parties in accordance with paragraph 4, any State Party which has not accepted the amendment may withdraw from this Statute with immediate effect, notwithstanding article 127, paragraph 1, but subject to article 127, paragraph 2, by giving notice no later than one year after the entry into force of such amendment.
- 7. The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall circulate to all States Parties any amendment adopted at a meeting of the Assembly of States Parties or at a Review Conference.

Amendments to provisions of an institutional nature

- 1. Amendments to provisions of this Statute which are of an exclusively institutional nature, namely, article 35, article 36, paragraphs 8 and 9, article 37, article 38, article 39, paragraphs 1 (first two sentences), 2 and 4, article 42, paragraphs 4 to 9, article 43, paragraphs 2 and 3, and articles 44, 46, 47 and 49, may be proposed at any time, notwithstanding article 121, paragraph 1, by any State Party. The text of any proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations or such other person designated by the Assembly of States Parties who shall promptly circulate it to all States Parties and to others participating in the Assembly.
- 2. Amendments under this article on which consensus cannot be reached shall be adopted by the Assembly of States Parties or by a Review Conference, by a two-thirds majority of States Parties. Such amendments shall enter into force for all States Parties six months after their adoption by the Assembly or, as the case may be, by the Conference.

Article 123

Review of the Statute

- 1. Seven years after the entry into force of this Statute the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall convene a Review Conference to consider any amendments to this Statute. Such review may include, but is not limited to, the list of crimes contained in article 5. The Conference shall be open to those participating in the Assembly of States Parties and on the same conditions.
- 2. At any time thereafter, at the request of a State Party and for the purposes set out in paragraph 1, the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall, upon approval by a majority of States Parties, convene a Review Conference.
- 3. The provisions of article 121, paragraphs 3 to 7, shall apply to the adoption and entry into force of any amendment to the Statute considered at a Review Conference.

Article 124

Transitional Provision

Notwithstanding article 12, paragraphs 1 and 2, a State, on becoming a party to this Statute, may declare that, for a period of seven years after the entry into force of this Statute for the State concerned, it does not accept the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the category of crimes referred to in article 8 when a crime is alleged to have been committed by its nationals or on its territory. A declaration under this article may be withdrawn at any time. The provisions of this article shall be reviewed at the Review Conference convened in accordance with article 123, paragraph 1.

Article 125

Signature, ratification, acceptance, approval or accession

- This Statute shall be open for signature by all States in Rome, at the headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, on 17 July 1998. Thereafter, it shall remain open for signature in Rome at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy until 17 October 1998. After that date, the Statute shall remain open for signature in New York, at United Nations Headquarters, until 31 December 2000.
- This Statute is subject to ratification, acceptance or approval by signatory States.
 Instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
- This Statute shall be open to accession by all States. Instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Article 126

Entry into force

- This Statute shall enter into force on the first day of the month after the 60th day following the date of the deposit of the 60th instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
- 2. For each State ratifying, accepting, approving or acceding to this Statute after the deposit of the 60th instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, the Statute shall enter into force on the first day of the month after the 60th day following the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

Article 127

Withdrawal

- A State Party may, by written notification addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, withdraw from this Statute. The withdrawal shall take effect one year after the date of receipt of the notification, unless the notification specifies a later date.
- 2. A State shall not be discharged, by reason of its withdrawal, from the obligations arising from this Statute while it was a Party to the Statute, including any financial obligations which may have accrued. Its withdrawal shall not affect any cooperation with the Court in connection with criminal investigations and proceedings in relation to which the withdrawing State had a duty to cooperate and which were commenced prior to the date on which the withdrawal became effective, nor shall it prejudice in any way the continued consideration of any matter which was already under consideration by the Court prior to the date on which the withdrawal became effective.

Article 128

Authentic texts

The original of this Statute, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who shall send certified copies thereof to all States.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Statute.

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범죄구성요건 Elements of Crimes

B. Elements of Crimes*

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^{*} Explanatory note: The structure of the elements of the crimes of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes follows the structure of the corresponding provisions of articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Rome Statute. Some paragraphs of those articles of the Rome Statute list multiple crimes. In those instances, the elements of crimes appear in separate paragraphs which correspond to each of those crimes to facilitate the identification of the respective elements.

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General introduction

- 1. Pursuant to article 9, the following Elements of Crimes shall assist the Court in the interpretation and application of articles 6, 7 and 8, consistent with the Statute. The provisions of the Statute, including article 21 and the general principles set out in Part 3, are applicable to the Elements of Crimes.
- 2. As stated in article 30, unless otherwise provided, a person shall be criminally responsible and liable for punishment for a crime within the jurisdiction of the Court only if the material elements are committed with intent and knowledge. Where no reference is made in the Elements of Crimes to a mental element for any particular conduct, consequence or circumstance listed, it is understood that the relevant mental element, i.e., intent, knowledge or both, set out in article 30 applies. Exceptions to the article 30 standard, based on the Statute, including applicable law under its relevant provisions, are indicated below.
- 3. Existence of intent and knowledge can be inferred from relevant facts and circumstances.
- 4. With respect to mental elements associated with elements involving value judgement, such as those using the terms "inhumane" or "severe", it is not necessary that the perpetrator personally completed a particular value judgement, unless otherwise indicated.
- 5. Grounds for excluding criminal responsibility or the absence thereof are generally not specified in the elements of crimes listed under each crime.
- 6. The requirement of "unlawfulness" found in the Statute or in other parts of international law, in particular international humanitarian law, is generally not specified in the elements of crimes.
- 7. The elements of crimes are generally structured in accordance with the following principles:
 - As the elements of crimes focus on the conduct, consequences and circumstances associated with each crime, they are generally listed in that order:
 - When required, a particular mental element is listed after the affected conduct, consequence or circumstance;
 - Contextual circumstances are listed last.
- 8. As used in the Elements of Crimes, the term "perpetrator" is neutral as to guilt or innocence. The elements, including the appropriate mental elements, apply, mutatis mutandis, to all those whose criminal responsibility may fall under articles 25 and 28 of the Statute.
- A particular conduct may constitute one or more crimes.
- 10. The use of short titles for the crimes has no legal effect.

Article 6 Genocide

Introduction

With respect to the last element listed for each crime:

- The term "in the context of" would include the initial acts in an emerging pattern;
- The term "manifest" is an objective qualification;
- Notwithstanding the normal requirement for a mental element provided for in article 30, and recognizing that knowledge of the circumstances will usually be addressed in proving genocidal intent, the appropriate requirement, if any, for a mental element regarding this circumstance will need to be decided by the Court on a case-by-case basis.

Article 6 (a) Genocide by killing

Elements

- The perpetrator killed² one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons belonged to a particular national, ethnical, racial or religious group.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to destroy, in whole or in part, that national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of a manifest pattern of similar conduct directed against that group or was conduct that could itself effect such destruction.

Article 6 (b) Genocide by causing serious bodily or mental harm

- 1. The perpetrator caused serious bodily or mental harm to one or more persons.3
- 2. Such person or persons belonged to a particular national, ethnical, racial or religious group.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to destroy, in whole or in part, that national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of a manifest pattern of similar conduct directed against that group or was conduct that could itself effect such destruction.

¹ This paragraph is without prejudice to the obligation of the Prosecutor under article 54, paragraph 1, of the Statute.

² The term "killed" is interchangeable with the term "caused death".

³ This conduct may include, but is not necessarily restricted to, acts of torture, rape, sexual violence or inhuman or degrading treatment.

Article 6 (c) Genocide by deliberately inflicting conditions of life calculated to bring about physical destruction

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted certain conditions of life upon one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons belonged to a particular national, ethnical, racial or religious group.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to destroy, in whole or in part, that national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such.
- 4. The conditions of life were calculated to bring about the physical destruction of that group, in whole or in part.⁴
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of a manifest pattern of similar conduct directed against that group or was conduct that could itself effect such destruction.

Article 6 (d) Genocide by imposing measures intended to prevent births

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator imposed certain measures upon one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons belonged to a particular national, ethnical, racial or religious group.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to destroy, in whole or in part, that national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such.
- 4. The measures imposed were intended to prevent births within that group.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of a manifest pattern of similar conduct directed against that group or was conduct that could itself effect such destruction.

Article 6 (e) Genocide by forcibly transferring children

- 1. The perpetrator forcibly transferred one or more persons.5
- 2. Such person or persons belonged to a particular national, ethnical, racial or religious group.
- 4 The term "conditions of life" may include, but is not necessarily restricted to, deliberate deprivation of resources indispensable for survival, such as food or medical services, or systematic expulsion from homes.
- 5 The term "forcibly" is not restricted to physical force, but may include threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment.

- 3. The perpetrator intended to destroy, in whole or in part, that national, ethnical, racial or religious group, as such.
- The transfer was from that group to another group.
- The person or persons were under the age of 18 years.
- 6. The perpetrator knew, or should have known, that the person or persons were under the age of 18 years.
- 7. The conduct took place in the context of a manifest pattern of similar conduct directed against that group or was conduct that could itself effect such destruction.

Article 7 Crimes against humanity

Introduction

- 1. Since article 7 pertains to international criminal law, its provisions, consistent with article 22, must be strictly construed, taking into account that crimes against humanity as defined in article 7 are among the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, warrant and entail individual criminal responsibility, and require conduct which is impermissible under generally applicable international law, as recognized by the principal legal systems of the world.
- 2. The last two elements for each crime against humanity describe the context in which the conduct must take place. These elements clarify the requisite participation in and knowledge of a widespread or systematic attack against a civilian population. However, the last element should not be interpreted as requiring proof that the perpetrator had knowledge of all characteristics of the attack or the precise details of the plan or policy of the State or organization. In the case of an emerging widespread or systematic attack against a civilian population, the intent clause of the last element indicates that this mental element is satisfied if the perpetrator intended to further such an attack.
- 3. "Attack directed against a civilian population" in these context elements is understood to mean a course of conduct involving the multiple commission of acts referred to in article 7, paragraph 1, of the Statute against any civilian population, pursuant to or in furtherance of a State or organizational policy to commit such attack. The acts need not constitute a military attack. It is understood that "policy to commit such attack" requires that the State or organization actively promote or encourage such an attack against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (a) Crime against humanity of murder

Elements

- The perpetrator killed⁷ one or more persons.
- 2. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (b) Crime against humanity of extermination

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator killed8 one or more persons, including by inflicting conditions of life calculated to bring about the destruction of part of a population.9
- 2. The conduct constituted, or took place as part of, 10 a mass killing of members of a civilian population.
- 3. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 4. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (c) Crime against humanity of enslavement

- 1. The perpetrator exercised any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership over one or more persons, such as by purchasing, selling, lending or bartering such a person or persons, or by imposing on them a similar deprivation of liberty.¹¹
- 2. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 3. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

⁶ A policy which has a civilian population as the object of the attack would be implemented by State or organizational action. Such a policy may, in exceptional circumstances, be implemented by a deliberate failure to take action, which is consciously aimed at encouraging such attack. The existence of such a policy cannot be inferred solely from the absence of governmental or organizational action.

⁷ The term "killed" is interchangeable with the term "caused death". This footnote applies to all elements which use either of these concepts.

⁸ The conduct could be committed by different methods of killing, either directly or indirectly.

⁹ The infliction of such conditions could include the deprivation of access to food and medicine.

¹⁰ The term "as part of" would include the initial conduct in a mass killing.

¹¹ It is understood that such deprivation of liberty may, in some circumstances, include exacting forced labour or otherwise reducing a person to a servile status as defined in the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 1956. It is also understood that the conduct described in this element includes trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.

Article 7 (1) (d) Crime against humanity of deportation or forcible transfer of population

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator deported or forcibly 12 transferred, 13 without grounds permitted under international law, one or more persons to another State or location, by expulsion or other coercive acts.
- Such person or persons were lawfully present in the area from which they were so deported or transferred.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the lawfulness of such presence.
- 4. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (e) Crime against humanity of imprisonment or other severe deprivation of physical liberty

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator imprisoned one or more persons or otherwise severely deprived one or more persons of physical liberty.
- 2. The gravity of the conduct was such that it was in violation of fundamental rules of international law.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the gravity of the conduct.
- The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (f) Crime against humanity of torture¹⁴

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted severe physical or mental pain or suffering upon one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons were in the custody or under the control of the perpetrator.
- 3. Such pain or suffering did not arise only from, and was not inherent in or incidental to, lawful sanctions.
- 4. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (g)-1 Crime against humanity of rape

- 1. The perpetrator invaded¹⁵ the body of a person by conduct resulting in penetration, however slight, of any part of the body of the victim or of the perpetrator with a sexual organ, or of the anal or genital opening of the victim with any object or any other part of the body.
- 2. The invasion was committed by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment, or the invasion was committed against a person incapable of giving genuine consent.¹⁶
- 3. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 4. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

The term "forcibly" is not restricted to physical force, but may include threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment.

^{13 &}quot;Deported or forcibly transferred" is interchangeable with "forcibly displaced".

¹⁴ It is understood that no specific purpose need be proved for this crime.

¹⁵ The concept of "invasion" is intended to be broad enough to be gender-neutral.

¹⁶ It is understood that a person may be incapable of giving genuine consent if affected by natural, induced or age-related incapacity. This footnote also applies to the corresponding elements of article 7 (1) (g)-3, 5 and 6.

Article 7 (1) (g)-2 Crime against humanity of sexual slavery¹⁷

Flements

- 1. The perpetrator exercised any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership over one or more persons, such as by purchasing, selling, lending or bartering such a person or persons, or by imposing on them a similar deprivation of liberty.¹⁸
- 2. The perpetrator caused such person or persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 4. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (g)-3 Crime against humanity of enforced prostitution

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator caused one or more persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- 2. The perpetrator or another person obtained or expected to obtain pecuniary or other advantage in exchange for or in connection with the acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 4. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

17 Given the complex nature of this crime, it is recognized that its commission could involve more than one perpetrator as a part of a common criminal purpose.

Article 7 (1) (g)-4 Crime against humanity of forced pregnancy

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator confined one or more women forcibly made pregnant, with the intent of affecting the ethnic composition of any population or carrying out other grave violations of international law.
- 2. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 3. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (g)-5 Crime against humanity of enforced sterilization

Element

- 1. The perpetrator deprived one or more persons of biological reproductive capacity.¹⁹
- 2. The conduct was neither justified by the medical or hospital treatment of the person or persons concerned nor carried out with their genuine consent.²⁰
- 3. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 4. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (g)-6 Crime against humanity of sexual violence

- 1. The perpetrator committed an act of a sexual nature against one or more persons or caused such person or persons to engage in an act of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- 2. Such conduct was of a gravity comparable to the other offences in article 7, paragraph 1 (g), of the Statute.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the gravity of the conduct.

¹⁸ It is understood that such deprivation of liberty may, in some circumstances, include exacting forced labour or otherwise reducing a person to a servile status as defined in the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 1956. It is also understood that the conduct described in this element includes trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.

¹⁹ The deprivation is not intended to include birth-control measures which have a non-permanent effect in practice.

²⁰ It is understood that "genuine consent" does not include consent obtained through deception.

- 4. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (h) Crime against humanity of persecution

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator severely deprived, contrary to international law,²¹ one or more persons of fundamental rights.
- 2. The perpetrator targeted such person or persons by reason of the identity of a group or collectivity or targeted the group or collectivity as such.
- 3. Such targeting was based on political, racial, national, ethnic, cultural, religious, gender as defined in article 7, paragraph 3, of the Statute, or other grounds that are universally recognized as impermissible under international law.
- 4. The conduct was committed in connection with any act referred to in article 7, paragraph 1, of the Statute or any crime within the jurisdiction of the Court.²²
- 5. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 6. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (i) Crime against humanity of enforced disappearance of persons^{23,24}

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator:
 - (a) Arrested, detained^{25,26} or abducted one or more persons; or
- (b) Refused to acknowledge the arrest, detention or abduction, or to give information on the fate or whereabouts of such person or persons.
- 2. (a) Such arrest, detention or abduction was followed or accompanied by a refusal to acknowledge that deprivation of freedom or to give information on the fate or whereabouts of such person or persons; or

- (b) Such refusal was preceded or accompanied by that deprivation of freedom.
- The perpetrator was aware that:²⁷
- (a) Such arrest, detention or abduction would be followed in the ordinary course of events by a refusal to acknowledge that deprivation of freedom or to give information on the fate or whereabouts of such person or persons;²⁸ or
- (b) Such refusal was preceded or accompanied by that deprivation of freedom.
- 4. Such arrest, detention or abduction was carried out by, or with the authorization, support or acquiescence of, a State or a political organization.
- 5. Such refusal to acknowledge that deprivation of freedom or to give information on the fate or whereabouts of such person or persons was carried out by, or with the authorization or support of, such State or political organization.
- 6. The perpetrator intended to remove such person or persons from the protection of the law for a prolonged period of time.
- 7. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 8. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (j) Crime against humanity of apartheid

- 1. The perpetrator committed an inhumane act against one or more persons.
- 2. Such act was an act referred to in article 7, paragraph 1, of the Statute, or was an act of a character similar to any of those acts.²⁹
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the character of the act.
- 4. The conduct was committed in the context of an institutionalized regime of systematic oppression and domination by one racial group over any other racial group or groups.
- 5. The perpetrator intended to maintain such regime by that conduct.
- 6. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

²¹ This requirement is without prejudice to paragraph 6 of the General Introduction to the Elements of Crimes.

²² It is understood that no additional mental element is necessary for this element other than that inherent in element 6.

²³ Given the complex nature of this crime, it is recognized that its commission will normally involve more than one perpetrator as a part of a common criminal purpose.

²⁴ This crime falls under the jurisdiction of the Court only if the attack referred to in elements 7 and 8 occurs after the entry into force of the Statute.

²⁵ The word "detained" would include a perpetrator who maintained an existing detention.

²⁶ It is understood that under certain circumstances an arrest or detention may have been lawful.

²⁷ This element, inserted because of the complexity of this crime, is without prejudice to the General Introduction to the Elements of Crimes.

²⁸ It is understood that, in the case of a perpetrator who maintained an existing detention, this element would be satisfied if the perpetrator was aware that such a refusal had already taken place.

²⁹ It is understood that "character" refers to the nature and gravity of the act.

7. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 7 (1) (k) Crime against humanity of other inhumane acts

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted great suffering, or serious injury to body or to mental or physical health, by means of an inhumane act.
- 2. Such act was of a character similar to any other act referred to in article 7, paragraph 1, of the Statute.³⁰
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the character of the act.
- 4. The conduct was committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct was part of or intended the conduct to be part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against a civilian population.

Article 8 War crimes

Introduction

The elements for war crimes under article 8, paragraph 2 (c) and (e), are subject to the limitations addressed in article 8, paragraph 2 (d) and (f), which are not elements of crimes.

The elements for war crimes under article 8, paragraph 2, of the Statute shall be interpreted within the established framework of the international law of armed conflict including, as appropriate, the international law of armed conflict applicable to armed conflict at sea.

With respect to the last two elements listed for each crime:

- There is no requirement for a legal evaluation by the perpetrator as to the existence of an armed conflict or its character as international or noninternational;
- In that context there is no requirement for awareness by the perpetrator of the facts that established the character of the conflict as international or noninternational;
- There is only a requirement for the awareness of the factual circumstances that
 established the existence of an armed conflict that is implicit in the terms "took
 place in the context of and was associated with".

Article 8 (2) (a)

Article 8 (2) (a) (i) War crime of wilful killing

- The perpetrator killed one or more persons.³¹
- Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status. 32,33

³⁰ It is understood that "character" refers to the nature and gravity of the act.

³¹ The term "killed" is interchangeable with the term "caused death". This footnote applies to all elements which use either of these concepts.

³² This mental element recognizes the interplay between articles 30 and 32. This footnote also applies to the corresponding element in each crime under article 8 (2) (a), and to the element in other crimes in article 8 (2) concerning the awareness of factual circumstances that establish the status of persons or property protected under the relevant international law of armed conflict.

with respect to nationality, it is understood that the perpetrator needs only to know that the victim belonged to an adverse party to the conflict. This footnote also applies to the corresponding element in each crime under article 8 (2) (a).

- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.³⁴
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (ii)-1 War crime of torture

Elements35

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted severe physical or mental pain or suffering upon one or more persons.
- The perpetrator inflicted the pain or suffering for such purposes as: obtaining information or a confession, punishment, intimidation or coercion or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind.
- 3. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (ii)-2 War crime of inhuman treatment

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted severe physical or mental pain or suffering upon one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (ii)-3 War crime of biological experiments

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to a particular biological experiment.
- 2. The experiment seriously endangered the physical or mental health or integrity of such person or persons.
- The intent of the experiment was non-therapeutic and it was neither justified by medical reasons nor carried out in such person's or persons' interest.
- 4. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (iii) War crime of wilfully causing great suffering

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator caused great physical or mental pain or suffering to, or serious injury to body or health of, one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (iv) War crime of destruction and appropriation of property

- The perpetrator destroyed or appropriated certain property.
- 2. The destruction or appropriation was not justified by military necessity.
- 3. The destruction or appropriation was extensive and carried out wantonly.

³⁴ The term "international armed conflict" includes military occupation. This footnote also applies to the corresponding element in each crime under article 8 (2) (a).

³⁵ As element 3 requires that all victims must be "protected persons" under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949, these elements do not include the custody or control requirement found in the elements of article 7 (1) (e).

- 4. Such property was protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (v) War crime of compelling service in hostile forces

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator coerced one or more persons, by act or threat, to take part in military operations against that person's own country or forces or otherwise serve in the forces of a hostile power.
- 2. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (vi) War crime of denying a fair trial

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator deprived one or more persons of a fair and regular trial by denying judicial guarantees as defined, in particular, in the third and the fourth Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 2. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (vii)-1 War crime of unlawful deportation and transfer

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator deported or transferred one or more persons to another State or to another location.
- 2. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (vii)-2 War crime of unlawful confinement

Elements

- The perpetrator confined or continued to confine one or more persons to a certain location.
- Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (a) (viii) War crime of taking hostages

- 1. The perpetrator seized, detained or otherwise held hostage one or more persons.
- The perpetrator threatened to kill, injure or continue to detain such person or persons.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to compel a State, an international organization, a natural or legal person or a group of persons to act or refrain from acting as an explicit or implicit condition for the safety or the release of such person or persons.

- 4. Such person or persons were protected under one or more of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protected status.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b)

Article 8 (2) (b) (i) War crime of attacking civilians

Elements

- The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was a civilian population as such or individual civilians not taking direct part in hostilities.
- 3. The perpetrator intended the civilian population as such or individual civilians not taking direct part in hostilities to be the object of the attack.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (ii) War crime of attacking civilian objects

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was civilian objects, that is, objects which are not military objectives.
- 3. The perpetrator intended such civilian objects to be the object of the attack.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (iii)

War crime of attacking personnel or objects involved in a humanitarian assistance or peacekeeping mission

Elements

- The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles involved in a humanitarian assistance or peacekeeping mission in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.
- 3. The perpetrator intended such personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles so involved to be the object of the attack.
- Such personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles were entitled to that
 protection given to civilians or civilian objects under the international law of armed
 conflict.
- The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protection.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (iv) War crime of excessive incidental death, injury, or damage

- 1. The perpetrator launched an attack.
- 2. The attack was such that it would cause incidental death or injury to civilians or damage to civilian objects or widespread, long-term and severe damage to the natural environment and that such death, injury or damage would be of such an extent as to be clearly excessive in relation to the concrete and direct overall military advantage anticipated.³⁶
- 3. The perpetrator knew that the attack would cause incidental death or injury to civilians or damage to civilian objects or widespread, long-term and severe damage to the natural environment and that such death, injury or damage would be of such

³⁶ The expression "concrete and direct overall military advantage" refers to a military advantage that is foreseeable by the perpetrator at the relevant time. Such advantage may or may not be temporally or geographically related to the object of the attack. The fact that this crime admits the possibility of lawful incidental injury and collateral damage does not in any way justify any violation of the law applicable in armed conflict. It does not address justifications for war or other rules related to jus ad bellum. It reflects the proportionality requirement inherent in determining the legality of any military activity undertaken in the context of an armed conflict.

an extent as to be clearly excessive in relation to the concrete and direct overall military advantage anticipated.³⁷

- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (v) War crime of attacking undefended places³⁸

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator attacked one or more towns, villages, dwellings or buildings.
- 2. Such towns, villages, dwellings or buildings were open for unresisted occupation.
- 3. Such towns, villages, dwellings or buildings did not constitute military objectives.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (vi) War crime of killing or wounding a person hors de combat

Elements

- The perpetrator killed or injured one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons were hors de combat.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (vii)-1 War crime of improper use of a flag of truce

Elements

- The perpetrator used a flag of truce.
- 2. The perpetrator made such use in order to feign an intention to negotiate when there was no such intention on the part of the perpetrator.
- 3. The perpetrator knew or should have known of the prohibited nature of such use.³⁹
- 4. The conduct resulted in death or serious personal injury.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct could result in death or serious personal injury.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (vii)-2 War crime of improper use of a flag, insignia or uniform of the hostile party

- 1. The perpetrator used a flag, insignia or uniform of the hostile party.
- 2. The perpetrator made such use in a manner prohibited under the international law of armed conflict while engaged in an attack.
- 3. The perpetrator knew or should have known of the prohibited nature of such use.⁴⁰
- 4. The conduct resulted in death or serious personal injury.
- The perpetrator knew that the conduct could result in death or serious personal injury.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

³⁷ As opposed to the general rule set forth in paragraph 4 of the General Introduction, this knowledge element requires that the perpetrator make the value judgement as described therein. An evaluation of that value judgement must be based on the requisite information available to the perpetrator at the time.

³⁸ The presence in the locality of persons specially protected under the Geneva Conventions of 1949 or of police forces retained for the sole purpose of maintaining law and order does not by itself render the locality a military objective.

³⁹ This mental element recognizes the interplay between article 30 and article 32. The term "prohibited nature" denotes illegality.

⁴⁰ This mental element recognizes the interplay between article 30 and article 32. The term "prohibited nature" denotes illegality.

Article 8 (2) (b) (vii)-3 War crime of improper use of a flag, insignia or uniform of the United Nations

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator used a flag, insignia or uniform of the United Nations.
- 2. The perpetrator made such use in a manner prohibited under the international law of armed conflict.
- The perpetrator knew of the prohibited nature of such use.⁴¹
- The conduct resulted in death or serious personal injury.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct could result in death or serious personal injury.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (vii)-4 War crime of improper use of the distinctive emblems of the Geneva Conventions

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator used the distinctive emblems of the Geneva Conventions.
- 2. The perpetrator made such use for combatant purposes⁴² in a manner prohibited under the international law of armed conflict.
- 3. The perpetrator knew or should have known of the prohibited nature of such use.⁴³
- 4. The conduct resulted in death or serious personal injury.
- 5. The perpetrator knew that the conduct could result in death or serious personal injury.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (viii)

The transfer, directly or indirectly, by the Occupying Power of parts of its own civilian population into the territory it occupies, or the deportation or transfer of all or parts of the population of the occupied territory within or outside this territory

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator:
- (a) Transferred,⁴⁴ directly or indirectly, parts of its own population into the territory it occupies; or
- (b) Deported or transferred all or parts of the population of the occupied territory within or outside this territory.
- 2. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (ix) War crime of attacking protected objects⁴⁵

- The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was one or more buildings dedicated to religion, education, art, science or charitable purposes, historic monuments, hospitals or places where the sick and wounded are collected, which were not military objectives.
- 3. The perpetrator intended such building or buildings dedicated to religion, education, art, science or charitable purposes, historic monuments, hospitals or places where the sick and wounded are collected, which were not military objectives, to be the object of the attack.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

⁴¹ This mental element recognizes the interplay between article 30 and article 32. The "should have known" test required in the other offences found in article 8 (2) (b) (vii) is not applicable here because of the variable and regulatory nature of the relevant prohibitions.

^{42 &}quot;Combatant purposes" in these circumstances means purposes directly related to hostilities and not including medical, religious or similar activities.

⁴³ This mental element recognizes the interplay between article 30 and article 32. The term "prohibited nature" denotes illegality.

⁴⁴ The term "transfer" needs to be interpreted in accordance with the relevant provisions of international humanitarian law.

⁴⁵ The presence in the locality of persons specially protected under the Geneva Conventions of 1949 or of police forces retained for the sole purpose of maintaining law and order does not by itself render the locality a military objective.

Article 8 (2) (b) (x)-1 War crime of mutilation

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to mutilation, in particular by permanently disfiguring the person or persons, or by permanently disabling or removing an organ or appendage.
- 2. The conduct caused death or seriously endangered the physical or mental health of such person or persons.
- The conduct was neither justified by the medical, dental or hospital treatment of the person or persons concerned nor carried out in such person's or persons' interest.⁴⁶
- 4. Such person or persons were in the power of an adverse party.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (x)-2 War crime of medical or scientific experiments

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to a medical or scientific experiment.
- 2. The experiment caused death or seriously endangered the physical or mental health or integrity of such person or persons.
- 3. The conduct was neither justified by the medical, dental or hospital treatment of such person or persons concerned nor carried out in such person's or persons' interest.
- 4. Such person or persons were in the power of an adverse party.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xi) War crime of treacherously killing or wounding

Elements

- The perpetrator invited the confidence or belief of one or more persons that
 they were entitled to, or were obliged to accord, protection under rules of
 international law applicable in armed conflict.
- 2. The perpetrator intended to betray that confidence or belief.
- 3. The perpetrator killed or injured such person or persons.
- 4. The perpetrator made use of that confidence or belief in killing or injuring such person or persons.
- Such person or persons belonged to an adverse party.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xii) War crime of denying quarter

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator declared or ordered that there shall be no survivors.
- 2. Such declaration or order was given in order to threaten an adversary or to conduct hostilities on the basis that there shall be no survivors.
- 3. The perpetrator was in a position of effective command or control over the subordinate forces to which the declaration or order was directed.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xiii) War crime of destroying or seizing the enemy's property

- The perpetrator destroyed or seized certain property.
- 2. Such property was property of a hostile party.
- 3. Such property was protected from that destruction or seizure under the international law of armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the status of the property.

⁴⁶ Consent is not a defence to this crime. The crime prohibits any medical procedure which is not indicated by the state of health of the person concerned and which is not consistent with generally accepted medical standards which would be applied under similar medical circumstances to persons who are nationals of the party conducting the procedure and who are in no way deprived of liberty. This footnote also applies to the same element for article 8 (2) (b) (x)-2.

- The destruction or seizure was not justified by military necessity.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xiv)

War crime of depriving the nationals of the hostile power of rights or actions

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator effected the abolition, suspension or termination of admissibility in a court of law of certain rights or actions.
- 2. The abolition, suspension or termination was directed at the nationals of a hostile party.
- 3. The perpetrator intended the abolition, suspension or termination to be directed at the nationals of a hostile party.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xv)

War crime of compelling participation in military operations

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator coerced one or more persons by act or threat to take part in military operations against that person's own country or forces.
- 2. Such person or persons were nationals of a hostile party.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xvi) War crime of pillaging

Elements

The perpetrator appropriated certain property.

- 2. The perpetrator intended to deprive the owner of the property and to appropriate it for private or personal use.⁴⁷
- 3. The appropriation was without the consent of the owner.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xvii)

War crime of employing poison or poisoned weapons

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator employed a substance or a weapon that releases a substance as a result of its employment.
- 2. The substance was such that it causes death or serious damage to health in the ordinary course of events, through its toxic properties.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xviii)

War crime of employing prohibited gases, liquids, materials or devices

- 1. The perpetrator employed a gas or other analogous substance or device.
- 2. The gas, substance or device was such that it causes death or serious damage to health in the ordinary course of events, through its asphyxiating or toxic properties.⁴⁸
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

⁴⁷ As indicated by the use of the term "private or personal use", appropriations justified by military necessity cannot constitute the crime of pillaging.

⁴⁸ Nothing in this element shall be interpreted as limiting or prejudicing in any way existing or developing rules of international law with respect to the development, production, stockpiling and use of chemical weapons.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xix) War crime of employing prohibited bullets

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator employed certain bullets.
- 2. The bullets were such that their use violates the international law of armed conflict because they expand or flatten easily in the human body.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware that the nature of the bullets was such that their employment would uselessly aggravate suffering or the wounding effect.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xx)

War crime of employing weapons, projectiles or materials or methods of warfare listed in the Annex to the Statute

Elements

[Elements will have to be drafted once weapons, projectiles or material or methods of warfare have been included in an annex to the Statute.]

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxi) War crime of outrages upon personal dignity

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator humiliated, degraded or otherwise violated the dignity of one or more persons.⁴⁹
- 2. The severity of the humiliation, degradation or other violation was of such degree as to be generally recognized as an outrage upon personal dignity.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-1 War crime of rape

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator invaded⁵⁰ the body of a person by conduct resulting in penetration, however slight, of any part of the body of the victim or of the perpetrator with a sexual organ, or of the anal or genital opening of the victim with any object or any other part of the body.
- 2. The invasion was committed by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment, or the invasion was committed against a person incapable of giving genuine consent.⁵¹
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-2 War crime of sexual slavery⁵²

- 1. The perpetrator exercised any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership over one or more persons, such as by purchasing, selling, lending or bartering such a person or persons, or by imposing on them a similar deprivation of liberty.⁵³
- 2. The perpetrator caused such person or persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

⁴⁹ For this crime, "persons" can include dead persons. It is understood that the victim need not personally be aware of the existence of the humiliation or degradation or other violation. This element takes into account relevant aspects of the cultural background of the victim.

⁵⁰ The concept of "invasion" is intended to be broad enough to be gender-neutral.

⁵¹ It is understood that a person may be incapable of giving genuine consent if affected by natural, induced or age-related incapacity. This footnote also applies to the corresponding elements of article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-3, 5 and 6.

⁵² Given the complex nature of this crime, it is recognized that its commission could involve more than one perpetrator as a part of a common criminal purpose.

⁵³ It is understood that such deprivation of liberty may, in some circumstances, include exacting forced labour or otherwise reducing a person to servile status as defined in the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 1956. It is also understood that the conduct described in this element includes trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-3 War crime of enforced prostitution

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator caused one or more persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- The perpetrator or another person obtained or expected to obtain pecuniary or other advantage in exchange for or in connection with the acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-4 War crime of forced pregnancy

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator confined one or more women forcibly made pregnant, with the intent of affecting the ethnic composition of any population or carrying out other grave violations of international law.
- 2. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-5 War crime of enforced sterilization

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator deprived one or more persons of biological reproductive capacity.⁵⁴
- 2. The conduct was neither justified by the medical or hospital treatment of the person or persons concerned nor carried out with their genuine consent.⁵⁵
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.

4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxii)-6 War crime of sexual violence

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator committed an act of a sexual nature against one or more persons or caused such person or persons to engage in an act of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- 2. The conduct was of a gravity comparable to that of a grave breach of the Geneva Conventions.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the gravity of the conduct.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxiii) War crime of using protected persons as shields

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator moved or otherwise took advantage of the location of one or more civilians or other persons protected under the international law of armed conflict.
- 2. The perpetrator intended to shield a military objective from attack or shield, favour or impede military operations.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxiv) War crime of attacking objects or persons using the distinctive emblems of the Geneva Conventions

Elements

1. The perpetrator attacked one or more persons, buildings, medical units or transports or other objects using, in conformity with international law, a distinctive

⁵⁴ The deprivation is not intended to include birth-control measures which have a non-permanent effect in practice.

⁵⁵ It is understood that "genuine consent" does not include consent obtained through deception.

emblem or other method of identification indicating protection under the Geneva Conventions.

- The perpetrator intended such persons, buildings, units or transports or other objects so using such identification to be the object of the attack.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxv) War crime of starvation as a method of warfare

Elements

- The perpetrator deprived civilians of objects indispensable to their survival.
- 2. The perpetrator intended to starve civilians as a method of warfare.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (b) (xxvi) War crime of using, conscripting or enlisting children

Elements

- The perpetrator conscripted or enlisted one or more persons into the national armed forces or used one or more persons to participate actively in hostilities.
- 2. Such person or persons were under the age of 15 years.
- 3. The perpetrator knew or should have known that such person or persons were under the age of 15 years.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an international armed conflict.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c)

Article 8 (2) (c) (i)-1 War crime of murder

Elements

1. The perpetrator killed one or more persons.

- 2. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel, or religious personnel⁵⁶ taking no active part in the hostilities.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (i)-2 War crime of mutilation

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to mutilation, in particular by permanently disfiguring the person or persons, or by permanently disabling or removing an organ or appendage.
- The conduct was neither justified by the medical, dental or hospital treatment
 of the person or persons concerned nor carried out in such person's or persons'
 interests.
- 3. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (i)-3 War crime of cruel treatment

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted severe physical or mental pain or suffering upon one or more persons.
- 2. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel, or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.

⁵⁶ The term "religious personnel" includes those non-confessional non-combatant military personnel carrying out a similar function.

5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (i)-4 War crime of torture

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator inflicted severe physical or mental pain or suffering upon one or more persons.
- 2. The perpetrator inflicted the pain or suffering for such purposes as: obtaining information or a confession, punishment, intimidation or coercion or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind.
- 3. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (ii) War crime of outrages upon personal dignity

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator humiliated, degraded or otherwise violated the dignity of one or more persons.⁵⁷
- 2. The severity of the humiliation, degradation or other violation was of such degree as to be generally recognized as an outrage upon personal dignity.
- 3. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (iii) War crime of taking hostages

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator seized, detained or otherwise held hostage one or more persons.
- The perpetrator threatened to kill, injure or continue to detain such person or persons.
- 3. The perpetrator intended to compel a State, an international organization, a natural or legal person or a group of persons to act or refrain from acting as an explicit or implicit condition for the safety or the release of such person or persons.
- 4. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (c) (iv) War crime of sentencing or execution without due process

- The perpetrator passed sentence or executed one or more persons.⁵⁸
- 2. Such person or persons were either *hors de combat*, or were civilians, medical personnel or religious personnel taking no active part in the hostilities.
- The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established this status.
- 4. There was no previous judgement pronounced by a court, or the court that rendered judgement was not "regularly constituted", that is, it did not afford the essential guarantees of independence and impartiality, or the court that rendered judgement did not afford all other judicial guarantees generally recognized as indispensable under international law.⁵⁹
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of the absence of a previous judgement or of the denial of relevant guarantees and the fact that they are essential or indispensable to a fair trial.

⁵⁷ For this crime, "persons" can include dead persons. It is understood that the victim need not personally be aware of the existence of the humiliation or degradation or other violation. This element takes into account relevant aspects of the cultural background of the victim.

⁵⁸ The elements laid down in these documents do not address the different forms of individual criminal responsibility, as enunciated in articles 25 and 28 of the Statute.

⁵⁹ With respect to elements 4 and 5, the Court should consider whether, in the light of all relevant circumstances, the cumulative effect of factors with respect to guarantees deprived the person or persons of a fair trial.

- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e)

Article 8 (2) (e) (i) War crime of attacking civilians

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was a civilian population as such or individual civilians not taking direct part in hostilities.
- The perpetrator intended the civilian population as such or individual civilians not taking direct part in hostilities to be the object of the attack.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (ii) War crime of attacking objects or persons using the distinctive emblems of the Geneva Conventions

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator attacked one or more persons, buildings, medical units or transports or other objects using, in conformity with international law, a distinctive emblem or other method of identification indicating protection under the Geneva Conventions.
- 2. The perpetrator intended such persons, buildings, units or transports or other objects so using such identification to be the object of the attack.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (iii) War crime of attacking personnel or objects involved in a humanitarian assistance or peacekeeping mission

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles involved in a humanitarian assistance or peacekeeping mission in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.
- 3. The perpetrator intended such personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles so involved to be the object of the attack.
- Such personnel, installations, material, units or vehicles were entitled to that
 protection given to civilians or civilian objects under the international law of armed
 conflict.
- The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established that protection.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (iv) War crime of attacking protected objects⁶⁰

- 1. The perpetrator directed an attack.
- 2. The object of the attack was one or more buildings dedicated to religion, education, art, science or charitable purposes, historic monuments, hospitals or places where the sick and wounded are collected, which were not military objectives.
- 3. The perpetrator intended such building or buildings dedicated to religion, education, art, science or charitable purposes, historic monuments, hospitals or places where the sick and wounded are collected, which were not military objectives, to be the object of the attack.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

⁶⁰ The presence in the locality of persons specially protected under the Geneva Conventions of 1949 or of police forces retained for the sole purpose of maintaining law and order does not by itself render the locality a military objective.

Article 8 (2) (e) (v) War crime of pillaging

Elements

- The perpetrator appropriated certain property.
- 2. The perpetrator intended to deprive the owner of the property and to appropriate it for private or personal use.⁶¹
- 3. The appropriation was without the consent of the owner.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-1 War crime of rape

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator invaded⁶² the body of a person by conduct resulting in penetration, however slight, of any part of the body of the victim or of the perpetrator with a sexual organ, or of the anal or genital opening of the victim with any object or any other part of the body.
- 2. The invasion was committed by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment, or the invasion was committed against a person incapable of giving genuine consent.⁶³
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-2 War crime of sexual slavery⁶⁴

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator exercised any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership over one or more persons, such as by purchasing, selling, lending or bartering such a person or persons, or by imposing on them a similar deprivation of liberty.⁶⁵
- 2. The perpetrator caused such person or persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-3 War crime of enforced prostitution

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator caused one or more persons to engage in one or more acts of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- 2. The perpetrator or another person obtained or expected to obtain pecuniary or other advantage in exchange for or in connection with the acts of a sexual nature.
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-4 War crime of forced pregnancy

Elements

1. The perpetrator confined one or more women forcibly made pregnant, with the intent of affecting the ethnic composition of any population or carrying out other grave violations of international law.

⁶¹ As indicated by the use of the term "private or personal use", appropriations justified by military necessity cannot constitute the crime of pillaging.

⁶² The concept of "invasion" is intended to be broad enough to be gender-neutral.

⁶³ It is understood that a person may be incapable of giving genuine consent if affected by natural, induced or age-related incapacity. This footnote also applies to the corresponding elements in article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-3, 5 and 6.

⁶⁴ Given the complex nature of this crime, it is recognized that its commission could involve more than one perpetrator as a part of a common criminal purpose.

⁶⁵ It is understood that such deprivation of liberty may, in some circumstances, include exacting forced labour or otherwise reducing a person to servile status as defined in the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 1956. It is also understood that the conduct described in this element includes trafficking in persons, in particular women and children.

- 2. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-5 War crime of enforced sterilization

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator deprived one or more persons of biological reproductive capacity.66
- 2. The conduct was neither justified by the medical or hospital treatment of the person or persons concerned nor carried out with their genuine consent.⁶⁷
- 3. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vi)-6 War crime of sexual violence

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator committed an act of a sexual nature against one or more persons or caused such person or persons to engage in an act of a sexual nature by force, or by threat of force or coercion, such as that caused by fear of violence, duress, detention, psychological oppression or abuse of power, against such person or persons or another person, or by taking advantage of a coercive environment or such person's or persons' incapacity to give genuine consent.
- 2. The conduct was of a gravity comparable to that of a serious violation of article 3 common to the four Geneva Conventions.
- 3. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the gravity of the conduct.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (vii) War crime of using, conscripting and enlisting children

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator conscripted or enlisted one or more persons into an armed force or group or used one or more persons to participate actively in hostilities.
- 2. Such person or persons were under the age of 15 years.
- 3. The perpetrator knew or should have known that such person or persons were under the age of 15 years.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (viii) War crime of displacing civilians

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator ordered a displacement of a civilian population.
- 2. Such order was not justified by the security of the civilians involved or by military necessity.
- The perpetrator was in a position to effect such displacement by giving such order.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (ix) War crime of treacherously killing or wounding

- 1. The perpetrator invited the confidence or belief of one or more combatant adversaries that they were entitled to, or were obliged to accord, protection under rules of international law applicable in armed conflict.
- 2. The perpetrator intended to betray that confidence or belief.
- 3. The perpetrator killed or injured such person or persons.
- 4. The perpetrator made use of that confidence or belief in killing or injuring such person or persons.
- Such person or persons belonged to an adverse party.

⁶⁶ The deprivation is not intended to include birth-control measures which have a non-permanent effect in practice.

⁶⁷ It is understood that "genuine consent" does not include consent obtained through deception.

- 6. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (x) War crime of denying quarter

Elements

- The perpetrator declared or ordered that there shall be no survivors.
- 2. Such declaration or order was given in order to threaten an adversary or to conduct hostilities on the basis that there shall be no survivors.
- 3. The perpetrator was in a position of effective command or control over the subordinate forces to which the declaration or order was directed.
- 4. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 5. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (xi)-1 War crime of mutilation

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to mutilation, in particular by permanently disfiguring the person or persons, or by permanently disabling or removing an organ or appendage.
- 2. The conduct caused death or seriously endangered the physical or mental health of such person or persons.
- 3. The conduct was neither justified by the medical, dental or hospital treatment of the person or persons concerned nor carried out in such person's or persons' interest.⁶⁸
- 4. Such person or persons were in the power of another party to the conflict.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (xi)-2 War crime of medical or scientific experiments

Elements

- 1. The perpetrator subjected one or more persons to a medical or scientific experiment.
- 2. The experiment caused the death or seriously endangered the physical or mental health or integrity of such person or persons.
- The conduct was neither justified by the medical, dental or hospital treatment of such person or persons concerned nor carried out in such person's or persons' interest.
- 4. Such person or persons were in the power of another party to the conflict.
- 5. The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 6. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

Article 8 (2) (e) (xii) War crime of destroying or seizing the enemy's property

- 1. The perpetrator destroyed or seized certain property.
- 2. Such property was property of an adversary.
- 3. Such property was protected from that destruction or seizure under the international law of armed conflict.
- 4. The perpetrator was aware of the factual circumstances that established the status of the property.
- 5. The destruction or seizure was not required by military necessity.
- The conduct took place in the context of and was associated with an armed conflict not of an international character.
- 7. The perpetrator was aware of factual circumstances that established the existence of an armed conflict.

⁶⁸ Consent is not a defence to this crime. The crime prohibits any medical procedure which is not indicated by the state of health of the person concerned and which is not consistent with generally accepted medical standards which would be applied under similar medical circumstances to persons who are nationals of the party conducting the procedure and who are in no way deprived of liberty. This footnote also applies to the similar element in article 8 (2) (e) (xi)-2.

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Chapter 1 General provisions

Rule 1 Use of terms

In the present document:

- "article" refers to articles of the Rome Statute;
- "Chamber" refers to a Chamber of the Court;
- "Part" refers to the Parts of the Rome Statute;
- "Presiding Judge" refers to the Presiding Judge of a Chamber;
- "the President" refers to the President of the Court;
- "the Regulations" refers to the Regulations of the Court;
- "the Rules" refers to the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

Rule 2 Authentic texts

The Rules have been adopted in the official languages of the Court established by article 50, paragraph 1. All texts are equally authentic.

Rule 3 Amendments

- Amendments to the rules that are proposed in accordance with article 51, paragraph 2, shall be forwarded to the President of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties.
- The President of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties shall ensure that all proposed amendments are translated into the official languages of the Court and are transmitted to the States Parties.
- 3. The procedure described in sub-rules 1 and 2 shall also apply to the provisional rules referred to in article 51, paragraph 3.

Chapter 2 Composition and administration of the Court

Section I General provisions relating to the composition and administration of the Court

Rule 4 Plenary sessions

- 1. The judges shall meet in plenary session not later than two months after their election. At that first session, after having made their solemn undertaking, in conformity with rule 5, the judges shall:
 - (a) Elect the President and Vice-Presidents;
 - (b) Assign judges to divisions.
- 2. The judges shall meet subsequently in plenary session at least once a year to exercise their functions under the Statute, the Rules and the Regulations and, if necessary, in special plenary sessions convened by the President on his or her own motion or at the request of one half of the judges.
- The quorum for each plenary session shall be two-thirds of the judges.
- 4. Unless otherwise provided in the Statute or the Rules, the decisions of the plenary sessions shall be taken by the majority of the judges present. In the event of an equality of votes, the President, or the judge acting in the place of the President, shall have a casting vote.
- 5. The Regulations shall be adopted as soon as possible in plenary sessions.

Rule 5 Solemn undertaking under article 45

- 1. As provided in article 45, before exercising their functions under the Statute, the following solemn undertakings shall be made:
 - (a) In the case of a judge:
 - "I solemnly undertake that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as a judge of the International Criminal Court honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously, and that I will respect the confidentiality of investigations and prosecutions and the secrecy of deliberations.";
- (b) In the case of the Prosecutor, a Deputy Prosecutor, the Registrar and the Deputy Registrar of the Court:
 - "I solemnly undertake that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as (title) of the International Criminal Court honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously, and that I will respect the confidentiality of investigations and prosecutions."

2. The undertaking, signed by the person making it and witnessed by the President or a Vice-President of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties, shall be filed with the Registry and kept in the records of the Court.

Rule 6 Solemn undertaking by the staff of the Office of the Prosecutor, the Registry, interpreters and translators

1. Upon commencing employment, every staff member of the Office of the Prosecutor and the Registry shall make the following undertaking:

"I solemnly undertake that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as (title) of the International Criminal Court honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously, and that I will respect the confidentiality of investigations and prosecutions.";

The undertaking, signed by the person making it and witnessed, as appropriate, by the Prosecutor, the Deputy Prosecutor, the Registrar or the Deputy Registrar, shall be filed with the Registry and kept in the records of the Court.

2. Before performing any duties, an interpreter or a translator shall make the following undertaking:

"I solemnly declare that I will perform my duties faithfully, impartially and with full respect for the duty of confidentiality.";

The undertaking, signed by the person making it and witnessed by the President of the Court or his or her representative, shall be filed with the Registry and kept in the records of the Court.

Rule 7 Single judge under article 39, paragraph 2 (b) (iii)

- 1. Whenever the Pre-Trial Chamber designates a judge as a single judge in accordance with article 39, paragraph 2 (b) (iii), it shall do so on the basis of objective pre-established criteria.
- 2. The designated judge shall make the appropriate decisions on those questions on which decision by the full Chamber is not expressly provided for in the Statute or the Rules
- 3. The Pre-Trial Chamber, on its own motion or, if appropriate, at the request of a party, may decide that the functions of the single judge be exercised by the full Chamber.

Rule 8 Code of Professional Conduct

1. The Presidency, on the basis of a proposal made by the Registrar, shall draw up a draft Code of Professional Conduct for counsel, after having consulted the Prosecutor. In the preparation of the proposal, the Registrar shall conduct the consultations in accordance with rule 20, sub-rule 3.

- The draft Code shall then be transmitted to the Assembly of States Parties, for the purpose of adoption, according to article 112, paragraph 7.
- 3. The Code shall contain procedures for its amendment.

Section II The Office of the Prosecutor

Rule 9 Operation of the Office of the Prosecutor

In discharging his or her responsibility for the management and administration of the Office of the Prosecutor, the Prosecutor shall put in place regulations to govern the operation of the Office. In preparing or amending these regulations, the Prosecutor shall consult with the Registrar on any matters that may affect the operation of the Registry.

Rule 10 Retention of information and evidence

The Prosecutor shall be responsible for the retention, storage and security of information and physical evidence obtained in the course of the investigations by his or her Office.

Rule 11 Delegation of the Prosecutor's functions

Except for the inherent powers of the Prosecutor set forth in the Statute, *inter alia*, those described in articles 15 and 53, the Prosecutor or a Deputy Prosecutor may authorize staff members of the Office of the Prosecutor, other than those referred to in article 44, paragraph 4, to represent him or her in the exercise of his or her functions.

Section III The Registry

Subsection 1 General provisions relating to the Registry

Rule 12 Qualifications and election of the Registrar and the Deputy Registrar

1. As soon as it is elected, the Presidency shall establish a list of candidates who satisfy the criteria laid down in article 43, paragraph 3, and shall transmit the list to the Assembly of States Parties with a request for any recommendations.

- 2. Upon receipt of any recommendations from the Assembly of States Parties, the President shall, without delay, transmit the list together with the recommendations to the plenary session.
- 3. As provided for in article 43, paragraph 4, the Court, meeting in plenary session, shall, as soon as possible, elect the Registrar by an absolute majority, taking into account any recommendations by the Assembly of States Parties. In the event that no candidate obtains an absolute majority on the first ballot, successive ballots shall be held until one candidate obtains an absolute majority.
- 4. If the need for a Deputy Registrar arises, the Registrar may make a recommendation to the President to that effect. The President shall convene a plenary session to decide on the matter. If the Court, meeting in plenary session, decides by an absolute majority that a Deputy Registrar is to be elected, the Registrar shall submit a list of candidates to the Court.
- 5. The Deputy Registrar shall be elected by the Court, meeting in plenary session, in the same manner as the Registrar.

Rule 13 Functions of the Registrar

- 1. Without prejudice to the authority of the Office of the Prosecutor under the Statute to receive, obtain and provide information and to establish channels of communication for this purpose, the Registrar shall serve as the channel of communication of the Court.
- The Registrar shall also be responsible for the internal security of the Court in consultation with the Presidency and the Prosecutor, as well as the host State.

Rule 14 Operation of the Registry

- 1. In discharging his or her responsibility for the organization and management of the Registry, the Registrar shall put in place regulations to govern the operation of the Registry. In preparing or amending these regulations, the Registrar shall consult with the Prosecutor on any matters which may affect the operation of the Office of the Prosecutor. The regulations shall be approved by the Presidency.
- The regulations shall provide for defence counsel to have access to appropriate and reasonable administrative assistance from the Registry.

Rule 15 Records

- 1. The Registrar shall keep a database containing all the particulars of each case brought before the Court, subject to any order of a judge or Chamber providing for the non-disclosure of any document or information, and to the protection of sensitive personal data. Information on the database shall be available to the public in the working languages of the Court.
- 2. The Registrar shall also maintain the other records of the Court.

Subsection 2 Victims and Witnesses Unit

Rule 16 Responsibilities of the Registrar relating to victims and witnesses

- 1. In relation to victims, the Registrar shall be responsible for the performance of the following functions in accordance with the Statute and these Rules:
 - (a) Providing notice or notification to victims or their legal representatives;
- (b) Assisting them in obtaining legal advice and organizing their legal representation, and providing their legal representatives with adequate support, assistance and information, including such facilities as may be necessary for the direct performance of their duty, for the purpose of protecting their rights during all stages of the proceedings in accordance with rules 89 to 91;
- (c) Assisting them in participating in the different phases of the proceedings in accordance with rules 89 to 91;
- (d) Taking gender-sensitive measures to facilitate the participation of victims of sexual violence at all stages of the proceedings.
- 2. In relation to victims, witnesses and others who are at risk on account of testimony given by such witnesses, the Registrar shall be responsible for the performance of the following functions in accordance with the Statute and these Rules:
- (a) Informing them of their rights under the Statute and the Rules, and of the existence, functions and availability of the Victims and Witnesses Unit;
- (b) Ensuring that they are aware, in a timely manner, of the relevant decisions of the Court that may have an impact on their interests, subject to provisions on confidentiality.
- 3. For the fulfilment of his or her functions, the Registrar may keep a special register for victims who have expressed their intention to participate in relation to a specific case.
- 4. Agreements on relocation and provision of support services on the territory of a State of traumatized or threatened victims, witnesses and others who are at risk on account of testimony given by such witnesses may be negotiated with the States by the Registrar on behalf of the Court. Such agreements may remain confidential.

Rule 17 Functions of the Unit

- 1. The Victims and Witnesses Unit shall exercise its functions in accordance with article 43, paragraph 6.
- 2. The Victims and Witnesses Unit shall, *inter alia*, perform the following functions, in accordance with the Statute and the Rules, and in consultation with the Chamber, the Prosecutor and the defence, as appropriate:

- (a) With respect to all witnesses, victims who appear before the Court, and others who are at risk on account of testimony given by such witnesses, in accordance with their particular needs and circumstances:
 - (i) Providing them with adequate protective and security measures and formulating long- and short-term plans for their protection;
 - (ii) Recommending to the organs of the Court the adoption of protection measures and also advising relevant States of such measures;
 - (iii) Assisting them in obtaining medical, psychological and other appropriate assistance;
 - (iv) Making available to the Court and the parties training in issues of trauma, sexual violence, security and confidentiality;
 - (v) Recommending, in consultation with the Office of the Prosecutor, the elaboration of a code of conduct, emphasizing the vital nature of security and confidentiality for investigators of the Court and of the defence and all intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations acting at the request of the Court, as appropriate;
 - (vi) Cooperating with States, where necessary, in providing any of the measures stipulated in this rule;
 - (b) With respect to witnesses:
 - (i) Advising them where to obtain legal advice for the purpose of protecting their rights, in particular in relation to their testimony;
 - (ii) Assisting them when they are called to testify before the Court;
 - (iii) Taking gender-sensitive measures to facilitate the testimony of victims of sexual violence at all stages of the proceedings.
 - 3. In performing its functions, the Unit shall give due regard to the particular needs of children, elderly persons and persons with disabilities. In order to facilitate the participation and protection of children as witnesses, the Unit may assign, as appropriate, and with the agreement of the parents or the legal guardian, a child-support person to assist a child through all stages of the proceedings.

Rule 18 Responsibilities of the Unit

For the efficient and effective performance of its work, the Victims and Witnesses Unit shall:

- (a) Ensure that the staff in the Unit maintain confidentiality at all times;
- (b) While recognizing the specific interests of the Office of the Prosecutor, the defence and the witnesses, respect the interests of the witness, including, where necessary, by maintaining an appropriate separation of the services provided to the prosecution and defence witnesses, and act impartially when cooperating with all parties and in accordance with the rulings and decisions of the Chambers;
- (c) Have administrative and technical assistance available for witnesses, victims who appear before the Court, and others who are at risk on account of

testimony given by such witnesses, during all stages of the proceedings and thereafter, as reasonably appropriate;

- (d) Ensure training of its staff with respect to victims' and witnesses' security, integrity and dignity, including matters related to gender and cultural sensitivity;
- (e) Where appropriate, cooperate with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations.

Rule 19 Expertise in the Unit

In addition to the staff mentioned in article 43, paragraph 6, and subject to article 44, the Victims and Witnesses Unit may include, as appropriate, persons with expertise, *inter alia*, in the following areas:

- (a) Witness protection and security;
- (b) Legal and administrative matters, including areas of humanitarian and criminal law;
 - (c) Logistics administration;
 - (d) Psychology in criminal proceedings;
 - (e) Gender and cultural diversity;
 - (f) Children, in particular traumatized children;
- (g) Elderly persons, in particular in connection with armed conflict and exile trauma;
 - (h) Persons with disabilities;
 - (i) Social work and counselling;
 - (j) Health care;
 - (k) Interpretation and translation.

Subsection 3 Counsel for the defence

Rule 20 Responsibilities of the Registrar relating to the rights of the defence

- 1. In accordance with article 43, paragraph 1, the Registrar shall organize the staff of the Registry in a manner that promotes the rights of the defence, consistent with the principle of fair trial as defined in the Statute. For that purpose, the Registrar shall, inter alia:
- (a) Facilitate the protection of confidentiality, as defined in article 67, paragraph 1 (b);