

**FIFTH SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF STATES PARTIES OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT**

DAILY REPORT

*FRIDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2006*

The Assembly convened for its last Plenary in the morning to consider the final matters on its agenda and adopt the various reports and resolutions from this session of the ASP. The Assembly first considered and adopted the report of the Credentials Committee.

Following the consideration of the various Working Group reports yesterday, the ASP went on to adopt these reports and accompanying resolutions. The President gave the opportunity to delegations to explain their positions both before and after the adoption of each resolution. Following the adoption of the resolution on the Programme Budget (contained in the annex of the Budget Working Group report), Argentina explained its position, endorsing the consensus but expressing its expectation that the budget will continue to move toward stabilization and zero-growth as well as reflect the rationalization of the Court's objectives.

After the adoption of these resolutions, ASP President Bruno Stagno Ugarte reminded States Parties that, with regards to the election of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims, the Assembly had decided to postpone the election of the candidate from the Asian regional group to the resumed session of the ASP in January 2007.

The ASP rapporteur then introduced the report of the fifth session of the Assembly of States Parties. Namibia suggested a change on agenda item 20, regarding the dates and venue of the next session of the ASP. The Assembly considered each paragraph of the report and then went on to adopt the report as a whole.

The ASP President thanked States Parties who had contributed to the trust fund for the participation of least developed countries, which had enabled the participation of 22 States Parties. However, the funds were nearly depleted and the ASP President called on all to contribute to the fund.

States were then invited to make brief concluding remarks. The following states made a statement: Malta (on behalf of WEOG), Namibia, Uganda, Samoa, Mexico, Senegal, Trinidad and Tobago, Croatia, Marshall Islands, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Peru, and Cuba. The President closed the Assembly with his own final comments.