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**NIGERIAN COALITION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL  
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## **FIRST NIGERIAN IS ELECTED AS JUDGE AT THE ICC**

Nigeria has done it!

A Nigerian, CHILE EBOE-OSUJI who is currently the Legal Adviser to the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights office in Geneva, Switzerland. has been elected as a Judge of the International Criminal Court during the 10th session of the Assembly of States Parties of the International Criminal Court going on at the UN headquarters in New York.

Chile becomes the first Nigerian to be elected into the bench of the ICC. The NCICC would like to congratulate Mr Chile Eboh – Osuji and the Nigerian government for this excellent feat.

With the election of a Nigerian as a Judge at the ICC, the NCICC would like to encourage the Nigerian government to take decisive action in providing redress for victims of the Jos crisis.

You would recall that in a press release dated 11 September 2011, the NCICC condemned the continued killing of people in Jos and Nigeria's government's handling of the crisis.

The NCICC urgently calls on the Federal Government of Nigeria to implement all the provisions recommended after the various panels it set up on the crisis especially the Solomon Lar report.

The NCICC urgently calls upon the Federal Government to fish out, arrest and prosecute all those found responsible for the continued violence in Jos and environs.

**Nigerian Coalition for the International Criminal Court (NCICC)** is a coalition of civil society organizations, human rights defenders and activists in the country who are committed to promoting good governance and fighting impunity in all forms. NCICC is a member of Coalition for International Criminal Court (CICC).

The Coalition for the International Criminal Court (CICC) includes 2,500 civil society organizations in 150 different countries working in partnership to strengthen international cooperation with the ICC; ensure that the Court is fair, effective and independent; make justice both visible and universal; and advance stronger national laws that deliver justice to victims of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide.

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