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Excellency

At its tenth session in December 2011, the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute invited:

“... all parties to commemorate the contribution of the International Criminal Court to guarantee lasting respect for and the enforcement of international justice at the tenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute in 2012;” (operative paragraph 5 of resolution ICC-ASP/10/Res.5)

In this connection, bearing in mind the discussion held in the Bureau of the Assembly on this topic, I wish to appeal to States, intergovernmental organizations and civil society to organize events under the theme “Tenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute”, with a preference for the events to be focused on the future of the Rome Statute system and on achieving universality of the Statute.

This year presents a unique opportunity for all the stakeholders in the Rome Statute system to increase the awareness of the Court, to strengthen the understanding of its role and to contribute with ideas on how to overcome the challenges faced by the Court and its States Parties.

In order to contribute to promoting participation in such events and to disseminate the outcomes thereof, information on such events may be sent to [10A.info@icc-cpi.int](mailto:10A.info@icc-cpi.int). The information submitted would then be posted on the Court’s website, under the Assembly of States Parties section (<http://www.icc-cpi.int>).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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President  
Assembly of States Parties  
to the Rome Statute of the  
International Criminal Court