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11 October 2021

Item 5 of the provisional agenda

**Election, in accordance with article 17 (1)–(5) of the Convention,
of five members of the Committee against Torture to replace those whose
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Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with article 17 of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, the eighteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention is to be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva on 11 October 2021 for the purpose of electing five members of the Committee against Torture from a list of persons nominated by States parties (sect. II), to replace those whose terms of office will expire on 31 December 2021 (sect. I). Five members will continue to serve on the Committee until 31 December 2023 (sect. III).

2. In compliance with paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution 68/268, the present note contains information on the current situation with respect to the composition of the Committee, reflecting the balance in terms of geographical distribution and gender representation, professional background and different legal systems, as well as the tenure of current members (sects. I and III). The biographical data of current members can be found on the web page of the Committee (www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CAT/Pages/Membership.aspx).

3. In paragraph 13 of its resolution 68/268, the General Assembly encouraged States parties, in the election of treaty body experts, to give due consideration, as stipulated in the relevant human rights instruments, to equitable geographical distribution, the representation of the different forms of civilization and the principal legal systems, balanced gender representation and the participation of experts with disabilities in the membership of the human rights treaty bodies.



I. Members of the Committee whose terms will expire on 31 December 2021

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Ms. Essadia Belmir	Morocco	2006
Mr. Liu Huawen	China	2020
Mr. Diego Rodríguez-Pinzón	Colombia	2018
Mr. Bakhtiyar Tuzmukhamedov	Russian Federation	2018
Mr. Peter Vedel Kessing	Denmark	2021

II. Persons nominated by States parties

4. In accordance with article 17 (4) of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 15 March 2021, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of five members of the Committee by 16 June 2021. All curricula vitae received by 16 June 2021 are included in the present document (see annex).

5. Listed below, in alphabetical order, are the names of the persons nominated for election to the Committee, and the States parties that nominated them.

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Nominated by</i>
Mr. Philippe Jean Bruneau	Mauritius
Mr. Todd Buchwald	United States of America
Mr. Liu Huawen	China
Ms. Maeda Naoko	Japan
Ms. Oleksandra Matviichuk	Ukraine
Mr. André Nyabenda	Burundi
Ms. Sriprapha Petcharamesree	Thailand
Mr. Diego Rodríguez-Pinzón	Colombia
Mr. Abderrazak Rouwane	Morocco
Mr. Bakhtiyar Tuzmukhamedov	Russian Federation
Mr. Peter Vedel Kessing	Denmark

III. Members of the Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2023

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Member since</i>
Mr. Claude Heller	Mexico City	2016
Mr. Erdoğan Işcan	Turkey	2020
Ms. Ilvija Pūce	Latvia	2020
Ms. Ana Racu	Republic of Moldova	2016
Mr. Sébastien Touzé	France	2016

Annex***Philippe Jean Bruneau (Mauritius)**

Date and place of birth: 13 August 1949, Port-Louis, Mauritius.

Working languages: English and French.

Current position/function

Retired Deputy Commissioner of Police (D.C.P) of the Republic of Mauritius – Served the Mauritius Police Force (M.P.F) for 42 years (1968 to 2010).

Commissioner of all the Prisons of Mauritius (Mauritius Prison Services (M.P.S)) from December 2010 to December 2015

2016 till 2021: on a voluntary basis: President of Three Non-Government Organizations (N.G.O):

- (1) Centre de Solidarity for New life (C.D.S);
- (2) The Centre D'Accueil de Terre Rouge (C.A.T.R);
- (3) Centre Frere Rene Guillemin (C.F.R.G) – All involved in Prevention Campaigns against Drug addiction and Rehabilitation of drug addicts

Main professional activities

In the M.P.F, I held the portfolio of DCP Administration and I/C Operations where I was involved inter alia in the preparation of Budget for the Police, plans for reforms, drafting of Five years Strategic plans and dealing with complaints from Prisoners in Police Custody, complaints against alleged Police Brutality.

As Commissioner of M.P.S, I was entrusted with the task of restoring confidence in the service following a series of Mutinies, Jail Break, Drug trafficking within Prison precincts, complaints of torture in prison cells, better conditions and training for Prison Personnel. We produced a five-year strategic plan introduced with better working conditions and training for the prison personnel, better conditions for safe keeping of detainees in line with provision human rights. A new modern prison equipped with latest security and technology was built and put in operation

Educational background

I hold certificates of the Cambridge School certificate (ordinary level) and General Certificate of Education (A) Level) from Cambridge University.

I joined the Mauritius Police Force at the age of 18 and I was groomed in the training schools and academy of the Mauritius Police Force (M.P.F). I attended Military/Police Courses abroad in Police/Military Academies and attended seminars abroad namely in:

- Avon and Somerset U.K
- Botswana S,A.D.C
- Pacific Armies management seminar (Malaysia)
- Institut des hautes Etudes de Defence nationale F.I.C.A (Paris)

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

I was recruited as a Part-time Pool Officer of the ICRC in 2008 and attended two courses held in the ICRC training Centre in Ecogia Geneva Switzerland.

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

I delivered courses on Human rights to two batches of Senior Police /Army Officers in Ivory Coast and Congo Brazzaville.

During my tenure of office as Commissioner, I collaborated with the Mauritius Human Rights Commission to deal with complaints made by prisoners and to put in place the recommendation made by the commission.

Following agreements between Republic of Mauritius and U.N.O.D.C, as Commissioner of Prisons with my team, we contributed in the building of a new prison in Beau-Bassin to accommodate prisoner's from Somalia who had been arrested for piracy of Ships in the Indian Ocean during the period of trial by a special tribunal set up locally.

Todd Buchwald (United States of America)

Date and place of birth: 6 February 1956; New York, NY.

Working languages: English.

Current position/function

Professorial Lecturer in Law, George Washington University Law School.

Main professional activities

Ambassador and Special Coordinator, Office of Global Criminal Justice, U.S. Department of State (2015–2017).

Inaugural Tom A. Bernstein Genocide Prevention Fellow at the Simon-Skodjt Center for the Prevention of Genocide of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum (2018–2019).

Professorial Lecturer in Law, George Washington University Law School (2015–present).

Visiting Lecturer, Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies, Indiana University (2021).

Visiting Professor, University of Oklahoma College of Law (2019).

Visiting Scholar, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (2018–2019).

Assistant Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (1991–2015), including as Assistant Legal Adviser for United Nations Affairs.

Attorney Adviser, U.S. Department of State and Office of the White House Counsel (1985–1991).

Associate, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, Washington, D.C. (1981–1984).

Educational background

J.D., Yale Law School; New Haven, Connecticut (1981).

B.A., Cornell University; Ithaca, New York (1978).

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

Co-Chair, American Society of International Law Task Force on Policy Options for Effective United States Engagement with the International Criminal Court (2019–2021).

Chairperson, Steering Committee on Signature Topic Initiative on “Atrocity Prevention: The Role of International Law and Justice,” American Society of International Law (2018–2019).

Board of Advisers, American Bar Association International Criminal Court Project (2018–Present).

Senior Peace Fellow, Public International Law Interest Group (2019–Present).

Advisory Board member, American Bar Association Center for Human Rights, Atrocity Prevention and Response Project (2018–Present).

Head of Delegation or Deputy Head of Delegation for United States observer delegation to the ICC Assembly of States Parties (2009–2016).

United Nations General Assembly, representative of the United States to the Sixth (Legal) Committee (2005–2015).

List of most recent publications in this field

ASIL Task Force on Policy Options for U.S. Engagement with the ICC (American Society of International Law 2021), with Beth Van Schaack as Co-Chairs of ASIL Task Force,

<https://www.asil-us-icc-task-force.org/uploads/2021-ASIL-Task-Force-Report-on-US-ICC-Engagement-FINAL.pdf>

By Any Other Name: How, When, and Why the US Government Has Made Genocide Determinations (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Simon-Skjoldt Center 2019), with Adam Keith, https://www.ushmm.org/m/pdfs/Todd_Buchwald_Report_031819.pdf

Statement of Ambassador Todd F. Buchwald, addressing 15th meeting of International Criminal Court Assembly of State Parties, (17 November 2016, The Hague), https://2009-2017.state.gov/j/gcj/us_releases/remarks/2016/264404.htm

Opportunities for Justice: New Mechanisms for Addressing Sexual Violence and Other Atrocity Crimes from Europe to South Asia to Sub-Saharan Africa (May 2016), U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, https://2009-2017.state.gov/j/gcj/us_releases/remarks/2016/257779.htm

“Former Officials Challenge Pompeo’s Threats to the International Criminal Court,” *Just Security*, March 2020, with David Crane, Ben Ferencz, Stephen Rapp, David Scheffer and Clint Williamson, <https://www.justsecurity.org/69255/former-officials-challenge-pompeos-threats-to-the-international-criminal-court/>

The Path Forward for the International Criminal Court: Questions Searching for Answers, 52 *Case Western Journal of International Law* 417 (2020).

What Kinds of Situations and Cases Should the ICC Pursue? The Independent Expert Review of the ICC and the Question of Aperture (Parts I-III), *Just Security*, Nov. 30–Dec. 2, 2020.

Liu Huawen (China)

Date and place of birth: 29 July 1972, Shandong, China.

Working languages: Chinese, English.

Current position/function

Member, the United Nations Committee against Torture.

Professor of international human rights law and Deputy Director, Institute of International Law, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS).

Executive Director, Center for Human Rights Studies, CASS.

Main professional activities

2018 till now: Chief Editor, Chinese Yearbook of International Law, China Society of International Law.

2014 till now: Chief Editor, Chinese Review of International Law, CASS.

2017 till now: Member, Executive Council, Asian Society of International Law (AsianSIL).

2017 till now: Vice President, Beijing Society of International Law, China.

2015 till now: Vice President, Society for Soft Law Studies, China.

2018 till now: Professor, School of Human Rights Research, China University of Political Science and Law, China.

2018 till now: Professor, China Women's University, China.

2016 till now: Co-director, the Cross-cultural Human Rights Centre, the Netherlands.

Educational background

2002: Visiting scholar, the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Lund University, Sweden and Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Oslo University, Norway.

2000–2003: Ph.D of International Human Rights Law, Peking University, China.

1995–1998: Master of International Law, Peking University, China.

1991–1995: Bachelor of Law, Southwest University of Political Sciences and Law, China.

Other main activities in the field of human rights

2016: Legal consultant for UNICEF China and All China Women's Federation (ACWF) for Project on Revision of Chinese Law on Protection of Minors.

2011–2012: Member of the expert group drafting the second Chinese National Human Rights Action Plan.

2008–2009: Member of the expert group drafting the first Chinese National Human Rights Action Plan.

2007–2008: Chief of the EU Micro-project on Promotion of the Awareness and Protection of the Disadvantaged Children in China.

List of most recent publications in this field

China's Path of Human Rights Development, China Social Sciences Press, 2020.

On Dissymmetry of States' Substantial and Procedural Obligations under International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Social Sciences Academic Press (China), 2nd edition, 2019.

The United Nations Core Human Rights Treaties and the Treaty Bodies, Hunan University Press, 2016.

Study on the United Nations Protocol against Human Being Trafficking from the Human Rights Perspective, Social Sciences Academic Press (China), 2011.

Maeda Naoko (Japan)

Date and place of birth: 4 July 1971, Kyoto, Japan.

Working languages: English and Japanese.

Current position/function

Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, Kyoto Women's University (2020–present).

Refugee Examination Counselor, Japan (2018–present).

Member, Executive Council, International Human Rights Law Association, Japan.

Secretary, Planning Committee, Japanese Society of International Law (JSIL).

Member, Councils for promotion of human rights measures of Osaka, Kyoto and Sakai cities.

Main professional activities

Over 20 years of extensive experience of research and lecturing in the fields of international human rights law, international organizations, and refugee law, with large number of publications based on the latest global developments.

Deep knowledge of and rich experience in addressing the real challenges to promotion and protection of human rights on the ground, such as gender-based discrimination, as member of councils for promotion of human rights measures of local governments.

Active contribution to development of local populations' understanding of human rights issues through participation as a panellist in various symposiums.

Service as a Refugee Examination Counselor working for the promotion and protection of the rights of refugees and asylum seekers by providing independent and impartial opinions to the Minister of Justice of Japan.

Educational background

Ph.D. in Human and Environmental Studies, Graduate School of Kyoto University (2010).

LL.M. in Human Rights and Civil Liberties, Law School, University of Leicester (2001).

Master of Human and Environmental Studies, Graduate School of Kyoto University (1998).

LL.B., Faculty of Law, Kyoto University (1996).

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

Extensive practical knowledge on the functions of United Nations human rights treaty bodies and state implementation through diplomatic experience as a human rights advisor at the Permanent Mission of Japan in Geneva and as an official at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, and through participation in national reviews during these postings.

Developed deep understanding of the United Nations human rights mechanism through exchanging views with members of CEDAW, CERD and other human rights treaty bodies.

Engaged in the activities of national and international law associations in the area of public international law and human rights.

In-depth understanding on human rights training including through experience of leading an international human rights education program for foreign government officials from various countries.

List of most recent publications in this field

“Jurisdiction *Ratione Temporis* in the Implementation of Human Rights Treaties,” *A Trend of Contemporary International Law II: Human Rights, Criminal Issues, Compliance, Responsibility, Armed Conflicts* (Toshindo) (2020) (Japanese).

“Recognition of Refugee Status for Reason of Ill-Treatment Caused by Conversion to Christianity,” *Kyojo Journal of Law and Politics* (2020) (Japanese).

“Forty Years’ Practice of the UN Human Rights Committee for Implementation of the Covenant: A Universal Model for the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights,” *Japanese Yearbook of International Law*, vol.60 (2018) (English).

Essential Cases of the European Court of Human Rights I/II (Shinzansha) (Co-author) (2008/2019) (Japanese).

“Reinforcement of Measures for the Execution of Judgements of the European Convention on Human Rights,” *Nagoya University Journal of Law and Politics* No.258 (2016) (English).

“The Applicability of the Convention on the Rights of the Child on Immigration Control for Foreign Residents: from the Perspective of the Declarations by the Government of Japan,” *Journal of International Law and Diplomacy*, Vol.113 No.4 (2015) (Japanese with English summary).

Oleksandra Matviichuk (Ukraine)

Date of birth: 8 October 1983.

Working languages: Ukrainian (native), English (practical), Russian (excellent).

Current position/function

Head of the board of Center for Civil Liberties. She is responsible for implementation of the organization's strategy.

Main professional activities

Oleksandra Matviichuk is a human rights defender who works on issues in Ukraine and the Eurasia region. At present she heads the human rights organization Center for Civil Liberties. The organization develops amendments to the legislation for the democratic transformation of the country, exercises public control over law enforcement agencies and the judiciary, conducts training events for young people, and implements programs of international solidarity. Oleksandra Matviichuk has experience in creating horizontal structures for massive involvement of people in human rights activities against attacks on rights and freedoms, as well as a multi-year practice of documenting violations during armed conflict. Initiator of the #SaveOlegSentsov Global Action for the release of illegally imprisoned people in Russia and the occupied Crimea and Donbas.

Educational background

2017–2018: Stanford University (CDDRL at Stanford University).

2007–2010: Law department postgraduate school of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (chair of state and law theory and history).

2001–2007: Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, law department (Master of Laws honours degree).

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

The Center for Civil Liberties, headed by Oleksandra Matviichuk, systematically provides up-to-date information on human rights violations to the CoE International Advisory Panel (during its work), PACE Special Rapporteurs, the Council of Europe's Committee for the Prevention of Torture, the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, the United Nations Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine and other structures. Oleksandra Matviichuk presented alternative reports and reports on human rights violations in Crimea and eastern Ukraine prepared with her direct participation in the International Criminal Court, the United Nations Human Rights Committee, the United Nations Human Rights Council, the European Parliament, PACE sessions, the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, annual Human Dimension Implementation Meetings of OSCE, etc. The results of this work included resolutions and other documents approved by various international organizations, addressed to the authorities of Ukraine, Russia and the international community.

List of most recent publications in this field

Oleksandra Matviichuk is the author and co-author of a number of reports, including: "The Price of Freedom" – about crimes against peaceful protestors during the Maidan events, "28 Kremlin Hostages" – about Ukrainian political prisoners in Russia and the occupied Crimea, "The Peninsula of Fear: the Chronicle of the Occupation and Human Rights Violations in Crimea", "Those Who Survived Hell" – a documentary evidence of the detained people in places of detention in the uncontrolled Donbas, etc.

André Nyabenda (Burundi)

[Original: French]

Date and place of birth: 25 August 1967, Kirundo.

Current position/function

Judge for the past 26 years, currently judge at the Special Court for Land and Other Property and Honorary President of the Supreme Court Cassation Chamber. Lecturer at a number of universities.

Chair of the Steering Committee of the National Human Rights Network at the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Burundi. Member of the Executive Committee of the Human Rights League IZERE.

Independent consultant on human rights.

Main professional activities

Participation in public hearings and drafting of judgments after deliberation.

Several human-rights-related visits to the field and prison visits throughout the country.

Drafting of reports on human rights in Burundi.

Facilitation of public conferences and press conferences on human rights in general and on the fight against torture in particular. Preparation of law lecture notes for students and teaching of law in general and human rights law in particular.

Attendance of and participation in meetings in Burundi and in some international forums on the fight against torture and the application of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Educational background

Doctoral student in law, specializing in human rights.

Diplôme d'Etudes Supérieures Spécialisées (D.E.S.S.) (postgraduate degree) in human rights, the peaceful resolution of conflicts and peace education (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Chair).

Licence (four-year university degree) in law.

General Humanities, specializing in modern languages and literature.

Primary school with certificate.

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

Within the framework of the promotion, defence and protection of human rights in my country and in my capacity as Chair of the Steering Committee of the National Human Rights Network at OHCHR in Burundi, as a member of the Executive Committee of the Human Rights League IZERE and as an independent consultant on human rights, I regularly read and rely on the opinions and reports of the Committee against Torture and advocate for the implementation of the Committee's recommendations to Burundi.

List of most recent publications:

“De l’individualisation de la peine en droit pénal burundais”, thesis for the award of a *licence* in law.

“Les garanties du prévenu dans un procès en droit burundais”, thesis for a D.E.S.S. in human rights, the peaceful resolution of conflicts and peace education (UNESCO Chair).

Sriprapha Petcharamesree (Thailand)

Date and place of birth: 1 June 1956, Suratthani Province, Thailand.

Working languages: English and French.

Current position/function

I am an academic, and have been teaching at the Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies at Mahidol University in Thailand since 1996. I teach courses on human rights standards and mechanisms, human rights in international relations, and regional human rights systems, among others. I have done research as well as provided academic services to various organizations, including the United Nations treaty bodies and special procedures.

Main professional activities

For many years, my research and advocacy have focused on issues of migrant workers, refugees and asylum seekers. In these contexts, serious human rights issues remain intractable, including harassment and extortion at the hands of local law enforcement officers, prolonged and indefinite detention in immigration detention centres and prisons, etc. To prevent torture by promoting human rights education, I have served as the convener of the ASEAN University Network – Human Rights Education, aimed at inculcating a human rights culture in the region since 2009. From this experience, I have witnessed how international, regional and national legal frameworks have contributed to the alleviation of human rights concerns through evidence-based policy responses, advocacy, and the capacity of rights holders and duty bearers to undertake their commitments.

Educational background

In 1979, I earned a B.A. in political science from Thammasat University, Thailand. In 1987, I received a D.E.A. in Comparative Politics and in 1992 a Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Paris X-Nanterre in France (Très honorable). In 1997, I was granted a Diploma in Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Raoul Wallenberg Institute, Sweden; in 2017 an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Oslo for my contribution to human rights causes.

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

As an academic, I have been invited to speak at various forums, the latest one being the International Conference on Combating Torture in ASEAN/Southeast Asia during 18–19 June 2021, at which I emphasized the state of torture in the region; efforts made by ASEAN and its members to combat torture; eliminating corporal punishment against children as well as addressing issues regarding death penalty. I have also co-edited human rights and peace articles in a Southeast Asia series which include articles pertaining to issues surrounding torture. I also conducted a research project on the right to life in Southeast Asia focusing on death penalty. Papers based on this research project are being edited for publication by Springer. I have also advocated a child's right to be free from corporal punishment and the right to non-refoulement and legal identity of refugees and asylum seekers.

List of most recent publications in this field

Most recently is “Access to civil registration and vital statistics” by ACWC/ASEAN for hard-to-reach populations in ASEAN (2020). Others include “ASEAN Human Rights Mechanisms”, Gerd Oberteitner (ed.), (2018); “International Human Rights Institutions”, Springer; “ASEAN Human Rights Regime and Mainstreaming the Responsibility to Protect: Challenges and Prospects”, (2016/2019), Special issue, Global RtoP Journal, Vol.8, Brill/Nijhoff.

Diego Rodríguez-Pinzón (Colombia)

Date and place of birth: October 31, 1963, in Bogotá, Colombia.

Working languages: English and Spanish.

Current position and function

Member of the United Nations Committee against Torture and member of the Bureau of the Committee (Rapporteur).

Full-time faculty at American University-Washington College of Law, and Co-Director of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and Co-Director of the LLM in International Human Rights Law and Humanitarian Law at AU- WCL, Washington, D.C., United States of America.

Main professional activities

2003-to date -Co-Director of the Academy and the LLM on International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and Professorial Lecturer in Residence at the Washington College of Law-American University, Washington DC.

1996–2003: Visiting Associate Professor, Adjunct Faculty and Co-Director of the Inter-American Human Rights Digest Project, Washington College of Law-American University, Washington, D.C.

1995–1996: Officer for Latin America and Legal Associate for Latin America. International Human Rights Law Group, Washington, D.C.

1994–1995: Staff Attorney, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the OAS, Washington, D.C.

1989–1992: Legal Advisor on anti-corruption, on vulnerable groups and on issues related to peace negotiations in the Office of the President, Republic of Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia.

Educational background

2002: Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.), George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

1994: Master of Laws (LL.M.), American University – Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C.

1989: Degree in Law (LL.B. equivalent), Universidad de Los Andes – School of Law, Bogotá, Colombia.

Other main activities in the field of human rights

2007–2011: Ad Hoc Judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights of the OAS.

2008, 2011: 2012 – Invited lecturer to the 39th, 42th and 43th Annual Study Sessions of the Rene Cassin International Institute on Human Rights, Strasbourg, France.

2012–2017: Invited faculty, human rights course in the European Master Program (EMA), University of Deusto, Spain.

1996 to date: Correspondent for the Americas, Butterworths Human Rights Cases, London, U.K. and member of the American Society of International Law (ASIL).

List the most recent publications in this field relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

El Debido Proceso Legal: Análisis desde el Sistema Interamericano y Universal de Derechos Humanos (Due Process of Law: Analysis of the Inter-American System and the Universal System on Human Rights), (co-author), (Vol I and Vol II), Ministerio Público Fiscal de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires, Argentina (forthcoming 2021).

Brief Overview of the Prohibition of Torture and Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment in the Inter-American Human Rights System, in: Sir Malcolm Evans and Dr Jens Modvig, *Research Handbook on Torture*, Edward Elgar Publishing (2020).

The Inter-American Human Rights System: The Inter-American Commission, and El Sistema Interamericano de Derechos Humanos: La Comisión Interamericana. United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL), at: <http://legal.un.org/avl/faculty/Rodriguez-Pinzon.html> (2018).

Building Prevention to Protect: The Inter-American Human Rights System (co-author), *Anuario Colombiano de Derecho Internacional (ACDI)*, Bogotá, Colombia (2017).

The Prohibition of Torture and Ill-Treatment in the Inter-American Human Rights System (co-author), Geneva, Switzerland (2014) (in English and Spanish).

The situation of the human rights of girls and adolescent girls in Latin America and the Caribbean (co-author), WCL and UNICEF (2014) (in English and Spanish).

The Role of the Committee Against Torture on Providing Full and Adequate Reparation to Victims, in: the Human Rights Brief of the Washington College of Law, Volume 20, Issue 4, Summer 2013.

Abderrazak Rouwane (Morocco)

[Original: French]

Date of birth: 4 February 1965.

Working languages: Arabic, English and French.

Current position/function

Special adviser for the judiciary. As head of a project involving human rights capacity-building for judges, my duties include:

- Designing, preparing and monitoring the implementation of a training and awareness-raising human rights programme for judges (4,000 judges).
- Training judges on international human rights standards emanating from international conventions ratified by Morocco, including the Convention against Torture and the Optional Protocol thereto.

Main professional activities

Since 21 July 2020: Special adviser in human rights for the judiciary.

1 January 2019–21 July 2020: Special adviser in human rights to the Head of Government, providing consultative services to the Interministerial Unit on Human Rights.

29 April 2011–1 January 2019: Secretary General of the Interministerial Unit on Human Rights.

December 2002–April 2011: Head of various departments at the National Human Rights Council, including:

- 2007–March 2011: Director of the Department of Cooperation and International Relations.
- December 2002–October 2007: Director of the Department for the Protection and Support of Victims of Human Rights Violations.

Educational background

Master's degree in international human rights law, 1996/97; University of Essex – United Kingdom.

Subjects studied: International human rights law: the United Nations human rights system and basic conventions/International comparative law and human rights/International protection of refugees/International criminal law/International trade and human rights.

Licence (four-year university degree) in private law: Hassan II University – Faculty of Law – Casablanca.

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

December 1997–June 1998 : Internship with the office of Amnesty International at the United Nations.

June 1998–January 1999: Volunteering with the Moroccan Organization for Human Rights.

1998: Founder and active member of Forum pour la Vérité et la Justice, a non-governmental organization (NGO) specializing in the rights of victims of grave violations.

January 2004–November 2005: Director of the reparations department of the equity and reconciliation authority (Moroccan Truth and Reconciliation Commission) and member of the drafting committee for the Commission's final report.

List of most recent publications in the field:

Subject of Master's thesis: Establishment of enforced disappearance as a prosecutable offence by the International Criminal Court. One of the chapters of the thesis examines the basis for the criminalization of serious human rights violations, including enforced disappearance and torture.

Bakhtiyar Tuzmukhamedov (Russian Federation)

Date and place of birth: 30 March 1955, Moscow, Russian Federation.

Working languages: Russian – native proficiency, English – full professional proficiency, French – limited working proficiency.

Professional education, conferred degrees and titles:

- 2005: Professor of International Law;
- 1993–1994: Harvard Law School, LL.M (Public International Law, Human Rights, Constitutional Law);
- 1979–1982: Moscow Institute of International Relations, Candidate of Juridical Science in Public International Law (S.J.D.-equated);
- 1972–1977: Moscow Institute of International Relations, diploma in Public International Law (LL.B-equated).

Current positions/functions

- From 2018: member of the Committee against Torture (current term expires on 31 December 2021);
- From 2018: external expert-researcher (law of international security and international humanitarian law), the International and Comparative Law Research Center, Moscow;
- From 2018: ad hoc judge in the case of Ukraine v. Russia, the European Court of Human Rights.

Main professional activities

- 2016–2018: Principal Research Fellow at the Diplomatic Academy, Moscow;
- 2012–2015: Judge at the Appeals Chamber of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunals for Rwanda and for the former Yugoslavia, The Hague, The Netherlands;
- 2009–2012: Trial Judge at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, Arusha, Tanzania;
- 1992–2016: Counselor of the Court (senior staff attorney) at the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation (on unpaid sabbatical for the tenure at the United Nations criminal tribunals);
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- 1977–1984: Research Fellow, Law of the Sea Division, Research Institute of Merchant Marine, Moscow.

Public professional activities and membership in professional associations

- Vice-President of the Russian Association of International Law;
- Co-organizer and co-chair of biennial Martens Readings on Contemporary Issues of International Humanitarian Law, Saint-Petersburg;
- Member of the Council, International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Sanremo, Italy (member since 2017);
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Past relevant professional activities

- 1997–2020: Deputy Editor-in-Chief, the Moscow Journal of International Law;

- 2017: Independent expert invited by Group of Governmental Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons;
- 2008: Adviser, the Russian delegation to the United Nations Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations;
- 1994–1995: Civil Affairs Officer, the United Nations Peace Forces in the former Yugoslavia;
- 1990–1992: project researcher/co-author, the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;
- 1987: Adviser, the Soviet Delegation to the United Nations Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean.

Recent select publications of relevance (in the English language)

Human Rights Treaty Bodies – Law, Diplomacy, Either or Neither – in *Research Handbook of Law and Diplomacy*, McGuinness and Stewart (eds.), Edward Elgar Publishing (forthcoming in 2021);

Power Politics, International Law and Global Security – The Russian Federation – in *The Oxford Handbook of the International Law of Global Security*, Geiß and Melzer (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2021;

[Editor and contributor] *Application of International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law in an Armed Conflict* (Proceedings of the Workshop jointly organized by the International and Comparative Law Research Center and the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, 4 October 2019), ICLRC, 2020;

Constitutional Authority for the Transboundary Deployment of Armed Force – in *The Restatement and Beyond. The Past, Present, and Future of U.S. Foreign Relations Law*, Stephan and Cleveland (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2020;

Doing Away with Capital Punishment in Russia: International Law and Pursuit of Domestic Constitutional Goals – in *Comparative International Law*, Roberts, Stephan *e.a.* (eds.), Oxford University Press, 2018;

The Russian Constitutional Court in International Legal Dialogues – in *Judges as Guardians of Constitutionalism*, Scheinin and Aksenova (eds.), Edward Elgar Publishing, 2016.

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Current position/function

Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (assessed qualified as professor in international law, 2017), at the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), Denmark's National Human Rights Institution, since 2008.

Member of the Danish National Preventive Mechanism (OPCAT), visiting places of detention, since 2009.

External examiner (Censor), International Law, University of Copenhagen, Aarhus University, University of Southern Denmark and at the Royal Danish Defence College, since 2017.

Main professional activities

External Chief Counsellor, Department of International Law and Human Rights, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1 April 2020–1 April 2021) (one year leave from the DIHR).

Senior Researcher, Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), (2008–2021).

Member of the Danish Refugee Appeals Court, *Non-refoulement* to torture, (2012–2017).

Lecturer in international law, human rights and security law, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen, (2005–2016).

Head of International Law Department, Danish Red Cross (2005–2006).

Program Manager and Legal Adviser, International projects on prevention of torture and visiting places of detention, DIGNITY – Danish Institute against Torture (2001–2004).

Deputy Judge, Copenhagen District Court, (2000–2001).

Program Manager, International projects on human rights and prevention of torture, Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), (1997–2000).

Protection Officers, UNHCR's regional office in Latvia, (1996).

Head of Section, Refugee- and asylum Department, Danish Ministry of Interior, (1994–1996).

Educational background

Assessed qualified as professor in International Law, University of Southern Denmark (2017) and University of Copenhagen (2020).

Ph.D., Dissertation on counter-terrorism and human rights, torture and detention, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen 2005–2008.

LLM, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen, 1989–1994.

Other main activities in the field of human rights relevant to the mandate of the Committee against Torture

Member of the United Nations Committee against Torture (CAT) since 1 May 2021 (expires 31 December 2021).

Prepared and presented parallel reports on Denmark for the United Nations Committee Against Torture, Danish Institute for Human Rights (<https://menneskeret.dk/udgivelser/parallel-report-to-the-un-committee-against-torture-2015>).

Member of the European Committee for Prevention of Torture (CPT) pool of experts (2020–present).

Danish national expert to the United Nations Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture (SPT) (2014–2019).

Alternate Member of the Management Board, The European Union Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA) (2017–2020).

Danish expert to the Moscow Mechanism, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, OSCE (2010–2016).

Member of Legal Expert Group established by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Counter-Terrorism and Human Rights.

Member of the Project Advisory Group regarding the Role of National Human Rights Institutions in situations of Conflict and Post-Conflict, The European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) (2017–2020).

Member of the Danish Governments' National Committee on International Humanitarian Law (2011–present).

Member of the Board, DIGNITY – Danish Institute against Torture (2010–2018).

List of most recent publications in this field

Liability in Joint Military Operations – The Green Desert Case. When is a State responsible for ill-treatment of prisoners carried out by a partner State, *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, Volume 25, Issue 2, July 2020, Oxford University Press, Pages 343–366.

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Preventing Radicalization in Danish prisons – Human rights and due process rights of prisoners, *Prison Service Journal*, January 2019, No. 241, p. 37–49.

Soft Law Instruments Regulating Armed Conflict. Are International Human Rights Standards Reflected? *Human Rights & International Legal Discourse (HR&ILD)*, 2018, Vol. 12, No. 1, p. 79–99.

The Role of Police Oversight Mechanisms in Protecting Human Rights and Preventing Torture and Ill-Treatment, May 2018, <https://www.humanrights.dk/publications/police-oversight-mechanisms>

'Use of Pepper spray by the Danish police' and 'Use of Pepper Spray in Danish Prisons and Detention Centers', *Nordic Journal of Criminal Science*, Vol. 103, No. 1 and No. 3, 2016.
