



# International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

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### Twenty-third meeting

New York

21 January 2010

## Election of nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination to replace those whose terms will expire on 19 January 2010, in accordance with the provisions of article 8 of the Convention

### Note by the Secretary-General

1. In pursuance of article 8, paragraph 4, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the twenty-third Meeting of States Parties to the Convention will be convened by the Secretary-General at United Nations Headquarters on 21 January 2010 to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, to replace those whose terms are due to expire on 19 January 2010 (see annex I). The names of the other nine members who will continue to serve on the Committee until 19 January 2012 appear in annex II.

2. In accordance with article 8, paragraph 3, of the Convention, the Secretary-General, in a note verbale dated 18 September 2009, invited the States parties to submit their nominations for the election of nine members of the Committee within two months. Nine nominations had been received by 18 November 2009. Nominations and biographical data of persons that may be received by the secretariat after 18 November 2009 will be brought to the attention of the States parties in addenda to this note. Listed below in alphabetical order are the nominees, with the States parties that have proposed them.

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Nominated by</i>
Mr. Nourredine <b>Amir</b>	Algeria
Ms. Anastasia <b>Crickley</b>	Ireland
Mr. Régis de <b>Gouttes</b>	France
Mr. Kokou Mawuana Ika Kana <b>Ewomsan</b>	Togo
Mr. Anwar <b>Kemal</b>	Pakistan
Mr. Gün <b>Kut</b>	Turkey
Mr. José Augusto <b>Lindgren Alves</b>	Brazil

*Candidate*

Mr. Waliakoye **Saidou**

Mr. Patrick **Thornberry**

*Nominated by*

Niger

United Kingdom of Great Britain  
and Northern Ireland

3. Biographical data of the nominees, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in annex III.

## Annex I

### List of the nine members of the Committee whose terms of office expire on 19 January 2010

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>
1. Mr. Mahmoud <b>Aboul-Nasr</b>	Egypt
2. Mr. Nourredine <b>Amir</b>	Algeria
3. Mr. Jens <b>Hartig Danielsen</b> *	Denmark
4. Mr. Régis de <b>Gouttes</b>	France
5. Mr. Kokou Mawuena Ika Kana <b>Ewomsan</b>	Togo
6. Mr. Anwar <b>Kemal</b>	Pakistan
7. Mr. José Augusto <b>Lindgren Alves</b>	Brazil
8. Mr. Linos-Alexandre <b>Sicilianos</b> *	Greece
9. Mr. Patrick <b>Thornberry</b>	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

\* Mr. Danielsen and Mr. Sicilianos resigned from the Committee before the scheduled expiration of their mandates.

**Annex II****List of the nine members of the Committee whose terms of office expire on 19 January 2012**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>
Mr. Alexei S. <b>Avtonomov</b>	Russian Federation
Mr. José Francisco <b>Cali Tzay</b>	Guatemala
Ms. Fatimata-Binta Victoire <b>Dah</b>	Burkina Faso
Mr. Ion <b>Diaconu</b>	Romania
Mr. Yong'an <b>Huang</b>	People's Republic of China
Mr. Dilip <b>Lahiri</b>	India
Mr. Pastor Elias Murillo <b>Martinez</b>	Colombia
Mr. Chris Maina <b>Peter</b>	United Republic of Tanzania
Mr. Pierre-Richard <b>Prosper</b>	United States of America

## Annex III

### Biographical data of the nominees

#### Mr. Noureddine Amir (Algeria)

**Date and place of birth:** 5 December 1940, Tunis

**Working languages:** Arabic, English, French, Spanish

#### Main professional activities

Professor of political science (University of Algiers): law of diplomacy, diplomatic drafting, systemic analysis of international relations and human rights

Professor of diplomatic law and diplomatic drafting (international treaties), National School of Administration, Algiers

Training of students of the African continent at the National School of Administration, Algiers

#### Diplomatic and university career

##### *Diplomacy*

Founder member of the Association of Algerian Diplomats

1963–1964: Officer in charge of press and information, Algerian Embassy, Washington D.C. (United States)

1964–1966: Attaché, Algerian Embassy, Islamabad (Pakistan)

1967–1970: Officer for Southern Asia, Asia-Latin America Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1971–1975: Press and Information Officer, Algerian Embassy, Geneva (Switzerland)

1976–1980: Officer for International Economic and Financial Institutions, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1980–1981: Algerian affairs officer, EEC (European Economic Community), Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1983–1986: Officer for Strategic and Disarmament Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1986–1990: Consul General of Algeria, Strasbourg, and dean of the consular corps of Strasbourg, 1989–1990. Established a policy of active cooperation with the European Parliament, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights

1992–1993: Counsellor at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in charge of research and consolidation

1994–1998: Minister Counsellor, Algerian Embassy, Rabat (Morocco)

1998–2002: Counsellor at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

##### *University*

Professor of political science (University of Algiers): law of diplomacy, diplomatic drafting, systemic analysis of international relations and human rights

Professor of diplomatic law and diplomatic drafting (international treaties), National School of Administration, Algiers

Training of students of the African continent at the National School of Administration, Algiers

### **Educational background**

Preparatory course: general literature certificate (University of Algiers, 1970)

Hispanic-American civilization certificate

Degree in rural and urban sociology (University of Algiers, 1980)

Advanced studies diploma (DEA) in political science, international relations (Paris I, Sorbonne)

Advanced studies diploma (DEA) in political science, defence policy (Paris I, Sorbonne)

Doctorate in political science, prepared under the guidance of Mrs. Hélène Carrère d'Encausse, Kremlinologist and member of the Académie française (Paris I, Sorbonne)

### **Competencies**

#### *Sociology*

- Sociological analysis of Algerian history
- Economic analysis
- Mathematics-statistics (applied) macroeconomics-microeconomics
- Social observation; sociological methodology; social psychology
- Cultural sociology and critical inventory of social science policy
- Economics of socialism
- Legal science method
- Reading of sociology authors
- Study of the Algerian revolution charters
- Theory of the social system and personality build-up
- Rural and urban sociology; social and urban scourges; rural economy
- Research methodology and techniques
- Human geography (Maghreb)
- Sociology of social change and the way societies work
- Critical analysis contemporary theories
- Sociological analysis of agrarian revolutions

*Defence policy expert:* appointed by the African defence ministers of the OAU and recognized by the United Nations Committee on Disarmament (1985)

Former member of the OAU Commission on resolutions against apartheid

#### *International relations; disarmament; law and legal questions; international economy*

- Russia and the developing world
- Major middle-eastern powers
- Semiotics of international relations
- Systemic analysis of international relations
- The Palestinian problem and Arab countries
- Arms control and disarmament
- Strategy and international relations
- Major power strategy
- Legal aspects of the new international economic order
- Legal aspects of technology transfer and international trade
- New maritime law

Current legal issues on regional economic integration in Africa  
 International river systems  
 Decolonization law

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Since 2002: member of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

2002–2004: Vice-Chairman of the Committee

Since 2008: Committee representative at the inter-committee meetings of the human rights treaty bodies

Presently: coordinator for follow-up to the concluding observations of the Committee

**Candidate's most recent publications in the field**

“New issues of US foreign policy” (John Hopkins University for Advanced International Studies, Washington D.C., USA, 1964)

Droit international africain (African International Law) (Yaoundé, Cameroon, 1984)

L'Algérie de la période numide à ce jour (Algeria from the Numidian period to the present)

Les accords de Schengen (The Schengen Agreements)

Les accords de Barcelone (The Barcelona Agreements) (migration flows)

Author of parental agreements for the children of mixed couples

La dernière décennie des relations internationales – les conflits dans le monde (The last decade of international relations – world conflicts) (National School of Administration, Algiers, 2000)

Regional development in Africa (Niamey, 2001)

*Humanitarian law and human rights*

International security and all forms of racial discrimination in the world – symposium on international security (Algiers, 2002)

Implementation of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, National Human Rights Observatory (Algiers) and Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Geneva) (2004)

The right to equality and non-discrimination (Cairo, 2005)

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination: non-nationals (Cairo, 2005, University of Algiers)

Policy of follow-up to CERD recommendations in practice (International Association of Democratic Lawyers, Geneva, 2008)

**Honours**

Member of Algerian National Liberation Army

Strasbourg Consular Corps Medal

Strasbourg City Medal

Strasbourg General Council Medal

Medal of Louis Pasteur and Robert Schumann Universities of Strasbourg

**Ms. Anastasia Crickley (Ireland)**

**Date and place of birth:** 7 September 1950, Dublin, Ireland

**Working languages:** English, German and Irish, basic proficiency in Spanish and French

**Current position/function**

Inaugural Chair of the Management and Executive Boards of the European Union (EU) Fundamental Rights Agency (2007–2010). The EU Agency is responsible for collecting information and data on fundamental rights, providing advice to the EU and its member States, and promoting dialogue with civil society in order to raise public awareness of fundamental rights in the EU.

Ms. Crickley is also Head of Department of Applied Social Studies, National University of Ireland, Maynooth.

**Main professional activities**

First woman Chair of the EU Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia (2003–2007).

Personal Representative of the Chair-in-Office of the Organisation for Security and Co-Operation in Europe (OSCE) on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination also focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions (2004–2008).

Board member (2002–2006) and current associate expert of the Council of Europe Advisory Committee for the Framework Convention on National Minorities.

Ms. Crickley is currently a member of the Council of State of Ireland, an advisory body that aids and counsels the President of Ireland on all matters on which the President may consult them (2004–2011).

**Educational background**

Bachelor of Social Science, University College Dublin, 1971

Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Social Studies and Certificate of Qualification in Social Work, University of Wales, Swansea, 1981

M.A. in Community Studies, University of Bradford, 1982

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Chairperson of the Irish National Consultative Committee on Racism and Interculturalism (1998–2008) and Founder and Chairperson of Pavee Point National Travellers Centre which promotes the rights of Roma and Travellers in Irish society.

Ms. Crickley is a founder member of a number of organizations including the European Network Against Racism (ENAR) and the Migrant Rights Centre in Ireland.

Ms. Crickley participated in the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (2001) and the Durban Review Conference (2009) and also in the World Summit for Social Development (Copenhagen, 1995), the World Conference to review and appraise the achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women (Nairobi, 1985) and the Fourth World Conference on Women (Beijing, 1995).

Ms. Crickley is a frequent participant in, and a speaker at, United Nations and other international forums, including the first and second sessions of the Forum on Minority Issues (on education in 2008 and on political participation in November 2009).

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Working for Change: Irish Journal of Community Work, 2009

Council of Europe, Human Rights in Culturally Diverse Societies, conference publication, 2008

OSCE Personal Representatives Annual Report, 2008

**Mr. Régis de Gouttes (France)**

**Date and place of birth:** 26 October 1940, Paleville, Tarn Department, France

**Working languages:** English, French (mother tongue), Spanish

**Current position/function**

First Advocate-General at the French Court of Cassation

Member — and Chairperson from 2006 to 2008 — of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)

Member of the French National Consultative Commission on Human Rights (Chairman of the Sub-Committee on International and Humanitarian Questions)

Member of the Ethics Committee of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Member of the Advisory Committee of the French High Authority for Combating Discrimination and Promoting Equality (HALDE)

Vice-President of the Training Institute for Human Rights of the Paris Bar

**Main professional activities**

*Areas of specialization*

European and international law, notably in the areas of international judicial cooperation and the protection of human rights (participated in many international conferences and negotiations in these areas).

**Educational background**

Law graduate

Holds postgraduate higher qualifications in private law, criminal sciences and comparative international law from the Strasbourg International Comparative Law Faculty

Graduate of the Toulouse Institute of Political Science (IEP Toulouse)

Graduate of the French National School of the Judiciary (ENM)

Chamber of Commerce diploma in Spanish studies

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

*National experience*

First Advocate-General at the French Court of Cassation (since 2001)

Chairman of the Central Authority for Intercountry Adoption (1999–2001)

Advocate-General at the French Court of Cassation (1993–2000)

Advocate-General at the Paris Court of Appeal (1989–1993)

Deputy Head of the Legal Directorate, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1985–1990)

Deputy Head of Criminal Justice, French Justice Ministry (1984–1985)

Deputy Director of the Private Office of the French Minister of Justice (1983)

Head of the Office of International Criminal Law, Ministry of Justice (1981–1983)

Magistrate at the Ministry of Justice (1970–1983)

Deputy Public Prosecutor in Nouméa and in Versailles (1972–1974)

*International experience*

Elected member of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, and Chair from 2006 to 2008

Deputy member of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) since 2009

Member of the Council of Europe Steering Committee for Human Rights – CDDH (Chair from 1995 to 1996)

Former member of the Council of Europe European Committee on Criminal Problems (CDPC)

Legal Adviser and later Deputy Head of the Legal Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1977–1980 and 1985–1990)

Former elected member of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute – UNICRI (1990–1994)

*Teaching assignments*

Senior lecturer at the French National School of the Judiciary (ENM), the French National School of Public Administration (ENA), the United Nations Centre for Human Rights in Geneva, and at the universities of Paris I, Strasbourg, Montpellier and Geneva, and at the Paris Bar Association.

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Various articles and contributions to law journals and studies, notably in the sphere of human rights and European and international judicial cooperation.

*Examples of articles*

“Le Comité des Nations Unies pour l’élimination de la discrimination raciale” [**The United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**] (*Revue de science criminelle et de droit pénal comparé*, Sept. 1991; *Revue trimestrielle des droits de l’homme*, Bruylant, 1996, No. 28; *Revue générale du droit international public*, 1992, No. 1; *Revue trimestrielle des droits de l’homme*, March 2001, No. 46, pp. 567–584). This text was periodically updated until 2009 for training conferences given regularly at the French National School of the Judiciary, the French National School of Public Administration, the University of Geneva, and so on.

“Le juge français et la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme: avancées et résistances ...” [**French judges and the European Convention on Human Rights: advancement and opposition**] (*Revue trimestrielle des droits de l’homme*, 1995, No. 24) and “La CESDH et le juge français” [**French judges and the CPHRFF**] (*Revue internationale de droit comparé (RIDC)/International Review of Comparative Law*, 1999, No. 1).

“La préparation des rapports français devant les organes mondiaux de protection des droits de l’homme” [**The preparation of French reports to the world human rights protection bodies**] (*Cahiers du CEDIN de Nanterre*, 1990, Actes du colloque des 12–13 octobre 1989/Records of the symposium of 12–13 October 1989).

“Vers un droit pénal européen?” [**Towards a European body of criminal law?**] (*Revue de science criminelle et de droit pénal comparé*, 1993, No. 4).

“Variations sur l’espace judiciaire pénal européen” [**Variations on the European system of criminal law**] (Dalloz, 1990, Chron. 245 and Dalloz, 1991, Chron. 154) and “Vers un

espace judiciaire pénal pan-européen ?” [**Towards a pan-European system of criminal law?**] (Dalloz, 1991, Chron. 154).

“A propos du Tribunal international pour les crimes de guerre commis depuis 1991 dans l’ex-Yougoslavie” [**Concerning the International Tribunal on war crimes committed since 1991 in the former Yugoslavia**] (*Archives de politique criminelle PEDONE* 1994).

“Un exemple de poursuites de crimes contre l’humanité devant les juridictions nationales: le procès des criminels de l’ancien régime du colonel Menghistu en Éthiopie” [**An example of the prosecution of crimes against humanity in national courts: trials of criminals from Colonel Mengistu’s regime in Ethiopia**] (*Revue de science criminelle et de droit pénal comparé* – Oct.–Dec. 1998, pp. 697 et seq.).

“A propos du conflit entre le droit à la liberté d’expression et le droit à la protection contre le racisme” [**Concerning the conflict between the right to freedom of expression and the right to protection against racism**] (in *Mélanges pour Edmond Pettiti* – Bruylant, 1998).

“Contre le racisme : un combat au quotidien” [**Combating racism: an everyday struggle**] (in *Actes du colloque des 6–7 juillet 2000 de la Commission nationale consultative des droits de l’homme/Records of the French National Consultative Commission on Human Rights symposium of 6–7 July 2000*, La Documentation française, pp. 147 et seq.).

“Droit pénal et droits de l’homme” [**Criminal law and human rights**] (*Revue de science criminelle et de droit pénal comparé*, 1 January 2000, pp. 133 et seq.).

“L’avenir de la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme” [**The future of the European Convention on Human Rights**] : *Colloque sur le 50ème anniversaire de la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme*, éd. Teitgen-Colly, Droit et Justice, 2002, pp. 149 et seq.

“Les organes juridictionnels face à la multiplicité des normes internationales relatives au procès équitable : comment les concilier ?” [**Jurisdictional bodies in the face of the multiplicity of international standards for due process: how to reconcile them?**] (*Actes du 2ème Congrès de l’Institut international de droit d’expression et d’inspiration française (IDEF)/Records of the Second IDEF Congress* – March 2003 – Publication IDEF et Sénat français).

“Les discriminations religieuses et la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme” [**Religious discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights**] (in *La liberté religieuse et la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme*, éd. T. Massis et C. Pettiti, Droit et justice, Bruylant, 2004, pp. 81 et seq.).

“L’évolution de l’immunité de juridiction des Etats étrangers” [**The evolution of the jurisdictional immunity of foreign States**] (in *Rapport de la Cour de cassation 2003*. La Documentation française, 2004, p. 249 and Dalloz, 2 March 2006, No. 9, pp. 606 et seq.).

“Un exemple de confrontation des principes au réel : la procédure de prévention d’urgence devant le Comité des Nations Unies pour l’élimination de la discrimination raciale” [**An example of the confrontation between principles and reality: the early-warning measures and urgent procedures before the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**], *Actes de l’Université de la Ligue des Droits de l’Homme sur “L’Universel et les droits de l’homme”*, November 2004.

“L’application de l’article 14 de la Convention européenne des droits de l’homme par la Cour de cassation” [**The application of Article 14 of the European Convention on Human Rights by the French Court of Cassation**] (Bruylant 2008 – *Actes du colloque de Montpellier des 9–10 novembre 2007/Records of the Montpellier symposium of 9–10 November 2007*).

“Le dialogue des juges” [**The dialogue of judges**] (Actes du Colloque du Conseil Constitutionnel du 3 novembre 2008/Records of the French Constitutional Council symposium of 3 November 2008, les *Cahiers du Conseil constitutionnel*, Dalloz, special edition 2009, pp. 21 et seq.), etc.

**Mr. Koko Mawuena Ika Kana (Dieudonné) Ewomsan (Togo)**

**Date and place of birth:** 1954, Agomé – Koutoukpa

**Working language:** French

**Current position/function**

Director for the Advancement of Human Rights, Ministry for Human Rights, the Promotion of Democracy and Civic Training

Chairman, Sub-Committee No. 6, Human Rights, Democracy and Peace, National Committee for UNESCO

Full member of the Commission nationale pour la francophonie (National Francophonie Commission)

**Main professional activities**

September 1978–1992: Lecturer in philosophy

April 1992–September 1993: Assistant principal, 2 February High School, Lomé

August 1984–August 1992: Secretary-General, Association of Philosophy Teachers of Togo (ASPHIT), Chairman of the committee on philosophy curricula in high schools and junior high schools

**Educational background**

September 1979: Licence d'enseignement de philosophie et sciences sociales appliquées (bachelor's degree in teaching of philosophy and applied social sciences); C1 de maîtrise de philosophie comparée (master's degree course in comparative philosophy)

October 1981: C2 de maîtrise de philosophie (master's degree course in philosophy)

1992–1997: Further training in human rights

1995: Human rights and citizenship

1996: International human rights standards

*Additional training*

1992–1997: Attendance at a number of national and international human rights seminars

June 1996: Training seminar on international human rights standards in the administration of justice, organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (certificate of attendance)

April 1996: Training course on the drafting and presentation of initial and periodic reports, organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (certificate of attendance)

July 1995: Instructors training in human rights and democratic citizenship, summer school, Advanced Teachers' Training College, Cachan, France (certificate of attendance)

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Human rights instructor training experience

Organized training seminars, human rights awareness-raising visits

Moderated conferences-discussions on democracy, peace, human rights and tolerance

April 1993: democracy and development

- August 1994–March 1996: democracy, human rights, tolerance and development
- February–March 1996: Conferences in high schools on democracy, peace and justice
- November 1996: Human Rights and Development, UNESCO subregional seminar on democracy and human rights, Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)
- August 1996: NGO Contribution to Human Rights and the Rule of Law, Amnesty International, Togo (Kpalimé)
- May 1998: Human Rights and Democratic Citizenship, workshop for trainee teachers
- August 1998: Foundations of Human Rights, training seminar for members and staff of the National Human Rights Commission (CNDH)
- November 1998: School and Human Rights Education for a Culture of Peace; Subregional Seminar of the federations of schools associated with UNESCO in French-speaking West Africa and Ghana
- December 1998: Human Rights, Participation and Democratic Citizenship; training workshop, Atakpamé
- December 1998: Human Rights Education, Advanced Teachers' Training College, Atakpamé
- December 1998: Importance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration, Atakpamé Town Hall
- August–December 1999: Coordinator of research on conflict settlement mechanisms in traditional Togo societies (UNESCO)
- June 2000: Speaker at Regional Cultural Action Centre (CRAC) on the themes of: peace culture, prevention, conflict management and settlement, democracy and development
- September 2000: Human Rights and Tolerance; training workshop for members of the Federation of associated UNESCO schools and clubs
- October 2000: Togo's experience with building a culture of peace; subregional seminar-workshop on Tolerance, peace and development. Educating for peace culture, Dakar (Senegal)
- March 2002: Rapporteur for the 3rd African Conference of Human Rights National Institutions
- June 2005: Coordinator for the workshop on restoring research on human rights and traditions in Togo, Togo National Commission for UNESCO
- 19 January 2006–19 January 2010: Expert, member of Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)
- 5–14 December 2008: National awareness-raising campaign in high schools and junior high schools on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Education for human rights and democracy
- December 2008: Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Education for human rights and democracy

**Candidate's most recent publications in the field**

Traditional ethical behaviour and human rights, workshop on restoring research on human rights and traditions in Togo, Togo National Commission for UNESCO (Lomé, IPAC 2005)

**Honours**

28 September 1996: UNESCO Peace Games diploma; 13 July 2001: Diploma in the promotion of democratic culture in Africa awarded by the Executive Council of the Pan-African Democracy Observatory; 27 April 2009: Chevalier of the Order of Mono.

**Mr. Anwar Kemal (Pakistan)**

**Date and place of birth:** 16 January 1943, Bhopal, India

**Working language:** English

**Current position/function**

Vice-Chairman, Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)

Language editor of "Swedish Bulletin", an English language quarterly journal published in Stockholm

Regular contributor to the Op Ed columns in Pakistan's leading daily English-language newspaper DAWN and Saudi Arabia's Arab News on international relations, democracy and human rights, peaceful settlement of disputes and economic development

**Main professional activities**

Has served as Ambassador of Pakistan to Egypt (1999–2003) and Pakistan High Commissioner to Bangladesh and concurrently Ambassador to Bhutan (1990–1995)

Has served as member of the Pakistan Mission in New York responsible, inter alia, for the Commission on Human Rights (CERD), the Fifth Committee, the Committee for Programme and Coordination of the United Nations and the Economic and Social Council

Member, Pakistan delegation for consideration of Pakistan's national reports by the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (1973–1978)

Member of Pakistan delegation to 11 regular sessions of the General Assembly, several special sessions and the Sixth Non-Aligned Summit at Havana

Member, Pakistan delegation to the Meeting of the States parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (1978)

Director, responsible for human rights and the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

**Educational background**

Master's degree in Political Science, University of Pennsylvania (1964), John Boyer Scholarship

B.A. Government College, Lahore (1960)

Guest Scholar, Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars, Washington D.C. (Autumn 1995)

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Additional Secretary (United Nations) at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1996–1998). Responsible for coordinating Pakistan's policies relating to the United Nations on human rights, humanitarian affairs, economic and legal affairs, political and security issues, and disarmament, as well as relations with the specialized agencies, the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), Developing 8 (D8) and the Commonwealth.

Director-General, Pakistan Foreign Service Academy (1995). Responsible for the training programme of new entrants to the diplomatic service of Pakistan; and special training courses offered to young diplomats from Africa, the Central Asian Republics and other developing countries.

D-8 Commissioner for Pakistan 1997–1998.

Director (United Nations), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad. Responsible, inter alia, for human rights questions including collation and drafting of national reports to the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (1978–1982).

Deputy Chief of Mission to the Pakistan Embassy Ottawa (1983–1985).

Acting Head of Mission, Ottawa (1985–1986).

Elected member of the United Nations Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for two terms (1978–1982).

Drafted, negotiated and piloted consensus General Assembly resolution 36/116A settling question of Chinese contributions to peacekeeping operations, 1981.

Drafted, negotiated and piloted General Assembly resolution 3538 (XXX) establishing the Negotiating Committee on Financial Emergency of the United Nations. Served as Vice-Chairman and subsequently as acting Chairman (1976–1982).

Served at the Pakistan Embassy to the People's Republic of China (1970–1973).

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Language Editor of "Swedish Bulletin", an English Language quarterly journal published in Stockholm

Regular contributor to Op Ed columns in Pakistan's leading newspaper DAWN and Saudi Arabia's Arab News on international relations, democracy and human rights, peaceful settlement of disputes and economic development

**Mr. Gün Kut (Turkey)**

**Date and place of birth:** 4 March 1957

**Working languages:** English, French, Turkish (mother tongue)

**Current position/function**

1996–present: Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Bogazici University, Istanbul

1996–present: member in respect of Turkey of the European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) of the Council of Europe

**Main professional activities**

Teaching courses on international relations

Directing research and theses, and related academic activities at the University

ECRI activities

**Educational background**

Lycée de Galatasaray, 1976 (baccalaureate)

Bogazici University, 1981 (BA, Political Science)

State University of New York at Binghamton, 1985 (M.A., Political Science)

State University of New York at Binghamton, 1985 (Ph.D., Political Science)

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Rapporteur for several country-by-country reports as part of the monitoring activities of ECRI.

Member of a number of permanent or ad hoc working groups dealing with ECRI relations with civil society in Europe, and preparing draft general policy recommendations on specific issues of racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, and related intolerance in member States of the Council of Europe.

Preparation of and/or contribution to various public events (conferences, symposia, round table meetings, media events on the fight against racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, and related intolerance in Turkey and other member States of the Council of Europe).

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Contribution to the drafting and finalization of a number of reports, recommendations, declarations published by ECRI (cf. ECRI website [www.coe.int/ecrit](http://www.coe.int/ecrit) for a list)

**Mr. Jose Augusto Lindgren-Alves (Brazil)**

**Date and place of birth:** 22 June 1946. Niterói, in the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

**Working languages:** Portuguese, English, French, Spanish

**Current position/function**

Ambassador, based in Brasilia

National Coordinator for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) since 2002

**Main professional activities**

Diplomat in the Ministry of External Relations, Brasilia, since 1970

Second and later First Secretary at the Brazilian Embassies in Vienna (1973–1974), Prague (1974–1978), Tunis (1978–1979)

Counsellor at the Brazilian Mission to the United Nations, New York (1985–1988), at the Embassy in Caracas (1988–1989)

Chargé d'affaires a.i. in Bridgetown (1984), Windhoek (1990)

Head of the United Nations Division at the Ministry of External Relations, Brasilia, 1990–1995

Head of the Department for Human Rights and Social Issues at the Ministry of External Relations, Brasilia, 1995–1996

Consul-General in San Francisco, Ca., 1997–2001

Ambassador in Sofia, 2002–2005 and in Skopje (based in Sofia, 2003–2005)

Ambassador in Budapest, 2006–2008

National Coordinator for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations, Brasilia, since August 2008

**Educational background**

Graduate of the Law School of the Federal University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, 1969

Graduate of the Diplomatic Academy of the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations of Brazil (Instituto Rio-Branco), 1969

Graduate of the Higher Studies Course (doctorate), Instituto Rio-Branco, with the dissertation “The United Nations and Human Rights”, 1989

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Brazilian delegate to the World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, 1993. Coordinator of the “task force” that helped to negotiate the Vienna Programme of Action in the World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, 1993.

Brazilian delegate to the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 1994.

Head of the Department for Human Rights and Social Issues, Ministry of External Relations of Brazil, 1995–1996.

Brazilian delegate to the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 1995.

Brazilian delegate to the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements – Habitat II, Istanbul, 1996.

Member of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, 1994–1997.

Brazilian delegate to the World Conference on Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, Durban, 2001.

Brazilian delegate to the Durban Review Conference, Geneva, 2009.

**List of most recent publications in the field**

International Relations and Social Issues: The Decade of Conferences, Brasilia, IBRI/FUNAG, 2001

The Durban Conference Against Racism and Everyone's Responsibilities, H.R. Netherlands Quarterly V. 21, N. 3, Sept. 2003

Human Rights in Post-Modernity, São Paulo, Ed. Perspectiva, 2005

The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in action (2002–2005) – Rio, Cebri, Dossiê Vol. 2, Ano 4, 2005

Race and Religion in the U.N. CERD, University of San Francisco Law Review, Vol. 42, N. 4, Spring 2008

**Mr. Waliakoye Saidou (Niger)**

**Date and place of birth:** 28 July 1969, Madarounfa-Maradi (Niger)

**Working languages:** French, English, Djerma (mother tongue), Hausa

**Current position/function**

December 2007 to date: Permanent Secretary of the National Commission on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (CNDHDLF)

**Main professional activities**

September 2003–December 2007: technical adviser at CNDHDLF

December 2003–September 2004: Director of studies and research, CNHDLF, Niamey (Niger)

October–December 2003: Director of Afrique Avocats Sans Frontières France Programme

20 April 2000–20 January 2002: Discipline and Litigation Directorate (Civil Service and Labour Ministry), Head of Division

January 2009:

- Instructor, Regional HCDH Bureau, Dakar (Senegal)
- Replacement teacher at the National School of Administration and Magistracy
- Replacement teacher at the African Institute of Technology (AIT), Niamey (Niger)
- Replacement teacher at the Niamey Police Academy (Niger)
- Independent human rights consultant

**Educational background**

2002–2003: DESS (Diploma of specialized advanced studies) in international human rights law: international organization practice in the field of human rights promotion and protection (IDHL (Human Rights Institute) Catholic University of Lyon – France)

1998–1999: Masters Degree in business law and judicial careers (Abomey Calavi University, Benin)

January–March 2002: Certificate in international humanitarian law

January 2007: Instructor training certificate in women's rights

Computing (WORD, Excel) and Internet training

*Training courses*

July–September 2003: Avocats Sans Frontières (France)

11 February 2002–18 September 2002: Agence nationale pour la promotion de l'emploi (ANPE) (National Employment Agency) – Niger

**Candidate's most recent publications in the field**

“Les discriminations fondées sur l'appartenance des communautés ethno-linguistiques au Niger” (Discriminations arising from membership of ethno-linguistic communities in Niger) (February 2009)

Le droit à un procès équitable en Afrique; cas d'Anima Lawal (The right to due process in Africa – the case of Anima Lawal); training course report (Avocats Sans Frontières – France, 2003)

Les droits de l'homme dans la constitution Nigérienne de 1996 (Human Rights in the 1996 Niger Constitution) (Lyon, 2003)

Le rôle de la Chambre du commerce du Niger dans l'économie nationale à travers ses activités (The role of the Niger Chamber of Commerce through its activities) (Benin, 1999) – Degree thesis in business law and judicial careers

État de droit, démocratie et droits de l'homme au Niger (Rule of law, democracy and human rights in Niger), June 2008

Several press articles on human rights published in France, Niger and Benin

**Mr. Patrick Thornberry (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)**

**Date and place of birth:** 4 December 1944, Middlesbrough, England

**Working languages:** English, Italian, French, ability to work with documentation in Spanish

**Current position/function**

Professor of International Law, Keele University, Visiting Fellow, Kellogg College, University of Oxford

**Main professional activities**

University teacher in international law, human rights law, and international minority and indigenous rights and, in former posts, criminal law and jurisprudence

Consultant at various times to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, the Council of Europe and the United Nations Development Programme; former Chairman of Minority Rights Group International

Member of advisory boards of the International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, and Religion and Human Rights: an International Journal

Member of Circle of Friends of the Institute for Minority Rights, EURAC, Bolzano

Member of the Advisory Council of the European Centre for Minority Issues

**Educational background**

LLB, University of London, LLM and PhD, University of Keele, barrister of Lincoln's Inn

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned**

Rapporteur of CERD, 2002–2008; Chair of CERD Working Group on Early Warning and Urgent Action

General conference rapporteur on the fifth anniversary of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, Strasbourg 2003

Conference rapporteur for international seminar on education rights, October 2006

Member of technical expert working group at the United Nations on revised reporting guidelines for human rights country reports, 2005

Member of expert working group of United Nations treaty bodies on reservations to human rights treaties, 2006

Member of Core Group of Experts on Integration Policies in OSCE Countries, for the High Commissioner on National Minorities of the OSCE, February 2007

Rapporteur of the first United Nations Forum on Minority Issues, December 2008

“Cultural Rights and Universality of Human Rights”, paper for the day of general discussion, Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Geneva, 9 May 2008 (E/C.12/40/15)

“Forms of hate speech and the Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination”, seminar on Freedom of Expression and Defamation of Religions, Geneva, United Nations, 2–3 October 2008

Participant and speaker at OHCHR side events at Durban Review Conference, April 2009

**List of most recent publications in the field**

Two chapters on education rights, and one on language rights with F. de Varennes in M. Weller (ed.), *The Rights of Minorities: A commentary on the European Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities* (Oxford University Press, 2005), 365-428

“Combating Racial Discrimination: a CERD Perspective”, *5 Human Rights Law Review* (2005), 239-69

“The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination: Questions of Concept and Practice”, in *Implementing Human Rights: Essays in Honour of Morten Kjaerum* (Copenhagen: Danish Institute for Human Rights, 2007), 318-36

“Education”, chapter in M. Weller (ed.), *Universal Minority Rights* (Oxford University Press, 2007), 325-62

“Multiculturalism, Minority Rights and the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination”, in D. Thurer and Z. Kedzia (eds.), *Managing Diversity: Protection of Minorities in International Law* (Convivenza, Zurich, 2008), 79-94

In progress: *The International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination: a Legal Commentary* (Oxford University Press, 2010)

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