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**Letter dated 20 December 2021 from the Secretary-General  
addressed to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 16 December 2021 ([S/2021/1065](#)) in which you concurred with my proposal to appoint Ms. Margaret Anne McAuliffe deGuzman (United States of America) as a judge of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals to replace Judge Theodor Meron, who resigned with effect from 17 November 2021.

I have received a corresponding letter from the President of the General Assembly dated 17 December 2021 (see annex). Accordingly, I am proceeding to appoint Ms. deGuzman as a judge of the Mechanism with immediate effect.

In accordance with article 10, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Mechanism, the appointment of Ms. deGuzman is effective for the remainder of the term of office that Judge Meron would have served, that is, until 30 June 2022.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

*(Signed)* António **Guterres**



## **Annex**

[Original: English]

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 13 December 2021 concerning the nomination of Ms. Margaret Anne McAuliffe deGuzman as a judge of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals to replace Judge Theodor Meron, for the remainder of his term of office, which ends on 30 June 2022.

Pursuant to article 10, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Mechanism and in accordance with article 9, paragraph 1, of the same statute, I have reviewed the qualifications of Ms. deGuzman and I am pleased to inform you that I hereby concur with the proposed appointment.

(Signed) Abdulla **Shahid**

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