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**Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election  
of a member of the International Court of Justice**

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**Submission of a nomination by national groups****Note by the Secretary-General**

1. In a letter dated 4 November 2004, addressed to the States parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the Secretary-General drew attention to the fact that a seat on the Court had become vacant as a result of the resignation, with effect from 11 February 2005, of Judge Gilbert Guillaume (France). In the same letter, the Secretary-General, in accordance with Article 14 of the Statute of the Court, issued the invitation provided for in Article 5, paragraph 1, of the Statute concerning the nomination of persons in a position to accept the duties of a member of the Court. He also requested them to submit any nominations by 17 January 2005 at the latest.

2. The Secretary-General has the honour to submit to the General Assembly and the Security Council, in accordance with Article 7 of the Statute of the Court, the name of the candidate nominated by the national groups (see annex).

3. The composition of the Court and the voting procedure to be followed by the General Assembly and the Security Council are set forth in a memorandum from the Secretary-General issued as document A/59/683-S/2005/51. The curriculum vitae of the candidate is contained in document A/59/684-S/2005/52.

## Annex

### Submission of a nomination by national groups

(17 January 2005)

<i>Name and nationality</i>	<i>National group submitting the nomination</i>
Ronny Abraham (France)	Australia Belgium Canada China France Hungary Morocco Netherlands New Zealand Norway Russian Federation Slovakia Spain United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland United States of America

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