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Nomination of members of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute

Note by the Secretary-General**

¹. The attention of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice is drawn to a matter concerning the composition of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute requiring action on the part of the Commission and the Economic and Social Council. The terms of two members of the Board, namely, Ann-Marie Begler (Sweden) and Jeremy Travis (United States of America), expire on 1 December 2004.

2. According to article IV of the statute of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute, annexed to Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/56 of 24 May 1989:

"2. The Board shall be composed of the following:

"(a) Seven members selected by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control upon nomination by the Secretary-General and endorsed by the Economic and Social Council, with due regard to the fact that the Institute and its work are funded from voluntary contributions and to the principle of equitable geographic distribution. The members shall be chosen from among eminent persons who possess the necessary qualifications and expertise. They

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shall serve in their individual capacity for a term of five years from the date of the first Board meeting in which they are invited to participate. They shall be eligible for reappointment by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control with the endorsement of the Economic and Social Council for not more than one additional term."

3. According to the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat, the Commission has succeeded to the functions and powers of the former Committee on Crime Prevention and Control in this and in other matters.

4. The following two candidates are proposed: Ann-Marie Begler (Sweden) and Elizabeth G. Verville (United States of America).

5. The principle of equitable geographical distribution is taken into account in the composition of the Board. The current Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute is composed of:

- Ann-Marie Begler (Sweden) Pedro David (Argentina)
- Iskander Ghattas (Egypt)
- Željko Horvatić (Croatia)
- Jean-Claude Karsenty (France)

Takayuki Shiibashi (Japan)

Jeremy Travis (United States of America)

6. Background information on the candidates is provided in the annex to the present document.

Annex

Background information on candidates nominated to fill a position on the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute

Ann-Marie Begler (Sweden)

1. Ann-Marie Begler was born in 1954. She is a trained social worker and graduated from a school of social studies in 1979.

2. She worked subsequently as a social welfare secretary for the City of Stockholm until 1985. From 1985 to 1989, she worked in the Executive Office of the City of Stockholm.

3. In 1989 she became First Secretary of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs. During 1991-1997 she worked at the National Board of Health and Welfare, where she was appointed Deputy Director-General in March 1995.

4. In November 1997 Ms. Begler was appointed Director-General of the Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention.

5. Ms. Begler has been Deputy National Police Commissioner since October 2002. She is Deputy Chairman for the University in Linkoping, the Swedish Coast Guard and for the development council of the government sector.

Elizabeth G. Verville (United States of America)

1. Ms. Verville is currently Senior Adviser in the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, where she has served since 2000 in that capacity and as Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of State. She headed the United States delegation to the negotiations for the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its three Protocols as well as the United Nations Convention against Corvention.

2. From 1995 to 2000, she served as Director for Transnational Threats on the National Security Council staff and as Deputy Director of the Critical Infrastructure Protection Office.

3. Prior to that, she served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Non-Proliferation and then as Senior Coordinator for Nuclear Safety in the Bureau of Political Military Affairs.

4. Previously, she was Deputy Legal Adviser in the Office of the Legal Adviser.

5. Before joining the State Department, Ms. Verville practised law in Boston and served as an Assistant Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

6. She received her law degree from Columbia University and her undergraduate degree from Duke University.