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AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has received the following communication relating to the membership of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, and has the honour to transmit it to the Commission.

Communication dated 16 March 1962 from the Permanent Mission  
of Pakistan to the United Nations:

"The Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to state that the Government of Pakistan have decided to present the candidature of Mr. Justice Abdul Hamid for election to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at the forthcoming eighteenth session of the Commission on Human Rights. The curriculum vitae of Mr. Justice Abdul Hamid is enclosed."

Biographical Sketch

ABDUL HAMID, born in Peshawar in November, 1906.

He was educated at the Government High School, Peshawar, where he passed the High School Examination with distinction.

He took his B.A. (Hons) Degree of the Punjab University from Edwards College, Peshawar, and stood first in the University in philosophy Honours.

He took his LL.B Degree from the Punjab University in 1924 and stood first in the University in both the previous and Final Law Examinations and won two gold medals one for each.

He joined Government service in 1926 and held posts of Civil Judge and Magistrate.

He held the post of Secretary to the late N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly for about six years.

He was Deputy Secretary and Joint Secretary in the Ministries of Law, States and Frontier Regions and Constituent Assembly between 1948 to 1955.

He was appointed Judge of the Judicial Commissioner's Court (a High Court under the Government of India Act, 1935) in May 1955, and in October of that year he became a Judge of the High Court of the Province of West Pakistan.

He was entrusted with the drafting of Pakistan Constitution of 1956.

He was a member of the Malayan Constitution Commission which drafted the Constitution for Malaya in 1957.

He is now Secretary in the Ministry of Law since May 1961.

He was also associated in the drafting of Pakistan's new Constitution announced on 1 March 1962.

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