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I. Letter from the Chairman of the Ministers' Deputies to the President of the Assembly, dated 2 July 2015
[translation]

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I have the honour to refer to the procedure for the appointment to the post of Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly and to inform you that the Ministers' Deputies, at their 1232rd meeting on 1 July 2015, adopted the enclosed resolution submitting the following candidatures in alphabetical order:

- Ms Svetislava Bulajić;
- Mr Wojciech Sawicki.

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Signed: Almir ŠAHOVIĆ
Chairman of the Ministers' Deputies

II. Resolution CM/Res(2015)8
on the appointment to the post of Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly
(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 1 July 2015 at the 1232nd meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)

The Committee of Ministers, under the Regulations relating to the appointment of the Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General and Secretary General of the Assembly having the rank of Deputy Secretary General,

Having taken note of the letters addressed to the Secretary General by ten representatives of the Parliamentary Assembly and by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland proposing the election of Mr Wojciech Sawicki as Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly;

Having taken note of the letter addressed to the Secretary General by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Serbia proposing the election of Ms Svetislava Bulajić as Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly;

Having interviewed the two candidates;

Having consulted the representatives of the Assembly through the medium of the Joint Committee held on 25 June 2015,

Decides to submit to the Parliamentary Assembly, for appointment to the post of Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly, for a five-year term starting on 1 February 2016, the following candidatures in alphabetical order:

- Ms Svetislava Bulajić;
- Mr Wojciech Sawicki.

III. Candidatures

Candidature of Ms Svetislava BULAJIĆ

The Secretariat recalls that, on 18 and 19 March 2015 (1223rd meeting of the Deputies, item 1.5), the Deputies adopted the timetable concerning the procedure for the election of the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly. In that timetable 12 May 2015 was fixed as the closing date for the submission of candidates and 3 June 2015 (1229th meeting of the Deputies) was fixed as the date for the preliminary examination of candidatures by the Deputies.

On 13 May 2015, the Secretary General forwarded to the Committee of Ministers the candidature of Ms Svetislava Bulajić, member of the Presidency of the Serbian Constitutional Law Association.

The Secretary General appended to that communication a copy of a letter addressed to him on 11 May 2015 by the Permanent Representation of Serbia, and a letter from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Ivica Dačić, proposing the candidature of Ms Bulajić.



РЕПУБЛИКА СРБИЈА
ПРВИ ПОТПРЕДСЕДНИК ВЛАДЕ
И МИНИСТАР СПОЉНИХ ПОСЛОВА

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

Ahead of the election of a new Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) to take office on 1 February 2016, I would like to nominate, on behalf of the Republic of Serbia, Ms Svetislava Bulajić, member of the Presidency of the Serbian Constitutional Law Association, as our candidate for the post.

I would appreciate it very much if the candidacy of our nominee, together with her CV which is attached hereto, would be brought to the attention of the Committee of Ministers for consideration and, subsequently, for consultation of the Joint Committee during the June session of the Assembly in 2015, in accordance with the Regulations relating to the appointment of the Secretary General of PACE.

Yours sincerely,



Ivica Đaćić

Mr Thorbjørn Jagland
Secretary General
Council of Europe
Strasbourg

CURRICULUM VITAE

SVETISLAVA BULAJIĆ

1. PERSONAL DATA

Born on June 4, 1964
Sex: female
Children: one daughter (age 23)
National of Serbia

2. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2.1. Universities attended and degrees obtained

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Bachelor of Laws, *summa cum laude*, 1987.

University Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, Master's program - *auditeur libre*, 1991.

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, MA, 1998.

University of Connecticut School of Law, LL.M, 2011.

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Ph.D. approved candidate as of 2013 (expected time frame for degree completion: autumn 2015).

2.2. Academic awards and scholarships

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Undergraduate studies: high standard awards for every academic year (1982-1987), rated among the top ten students on Dean's Merit Lists

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Postgraduate studies: University Academic Merit Scholarship (1987-1990)

Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Switzerland: EUROregions, European Summer University and the Council of Europe grant (August 28- September 17, 1988)

University Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, Master's program: French Government Scholarship (1990-1991)

Salzburg Seminar: Session 307 - American Law and Legal Institutions - grant (July 25-August 6, 1993)

University of Salzburg, Austria: Department of International and Foreign Public Law grant for research on global menaces to democracy and human rights (May-June 1994)

University of Connecticut School of Law, LL.M program: Ron Brown Fellowship (1997-1998)

CEU, Budapest, Summer Program in Human Rights: CEU grant (July-August 1999)

University of Illinois at Chicago, Summer Program in International Law: UIC grant (July 2000)

The Supreme Court Historical Society grant, Seminar on Federalism, Washington, DC (June 2002)

European Commission, Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation, Project Basileus (Balkans Academic Scheme for the Internationalisation of Learning in cooperation with EU universities), one month staff mobility program, University La Sapienza, Rome, Italy (October 2009)

Promoting Tolerance 2014 Program - the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF) and the American Jewish Committee (AJC) program: seminar in Sofia, Bulgaria (June 2014) and the study trip to US (October 2014)

3. LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- Serbian (native), incl. Croatian, Montenegrin and Bosnian
- English, French (fluent, full ability)
- Italian, Russian, Hungarian (working knowledge)

4. SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- proficiency in operating word processing equipment
- pedagogical and research experience
- managerial experience
- legal consulting experience
- expertise in facilitation and mediation

5. WORKING EXPERIENCE

5.1. Teaching Assistant, Department of Public Law, Belgrade University Faculty of Law, 1989-1998 (teaching Constitutional Law graduate course – theory and comparative law, as well as seminars in legal theory related subjects, which included overviews of the history, philosophy of law, and jurisprudence);

5.2 Senior Lecturer, Department of Public Law, Belgrade University Faculty of Law, 1998 to 2015 (teaching Political Science Theory graduate course, as well as The Introduction into EU Law and Judicial Protection in EU, both postgraduate courses; current research agenda – EU Institutional design);

5.3. IREX (International Research and Exchange Board), Washington, DC, Field Representative for Serbia (former FR Yugoslavia), 1999 to 2003 (assisting in academic exchange and recruitment of both national and international candidates for programs taking place in US and Serbia, i.e. Ron Brown Program, Fulbright scholarships, etc.);

5.4. CECL (Centre for European Constitutional Law), Rigas Network – Athens, Greece, Resident Associate for Serbia (former FR Yugoslavia), 2000 to 2004 (preparing seminars, drafting policy papers, compiling data base on relevant changes in domestic legislation, etc.);

5.5. OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Mission to the Republic of Serbia, Parliamentary Elections 2000 (November 22 – December 30, 2000), Deputy to the Mission Legal Advisor;

5.6. OSCE Mission to Serbia and Montenegro, Media Department, Media Lawyer, March 2001 to November 2005 (providing assistance in creating new media legislation framework, most notably Broadcasting Law, Free Access to Information Law and Public Information Law; raising awareness campaigns in co-operation with domestic media outlets and NGOs; promotion of the idea and practice of free press and PBS through round-tables, theme and training seminars, forming civic coalitions; fund- raising in above areas, etc.);

5.7. FUND FOR OPEN SOCIETY, SERBIA, expert consultant on the “Monitoring of the process of Serbian accession towards European Union” project, and editor of the publication “Capacities of state institutions for undertaken accession obligations”, 2006;

5.8. MINISTRY FOR HUMAN AND MINORITY RIGHTS, SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO, in co-operation with the Danish Institute for Human Rights, expert consultant on Legislative Reform Project, 2006;

5.9. WORLD BANK, Country Office for Serbia, MDTF (Multi-Donor Trust Fund) in Justice Sector Support Project, Expert Consultant, February 2008 to January 2011, providing insights and advice to the World Bank task team on formulation and implementation of World Bank support for justice sector reform in Serbia; reviewing and commenting on laws, regulations and other documents pertaining to justice sector reform issues, including overseeing the sizeable budget line; liaising on behalf of the task team with the Ministry of Justice, Serbia’s development partners, academia and civil society entities dealing with justice sector reform; participating in World Bank missions and following up with interlocutors inside and outside government on issues identified/discussed during the missions;

5.10. UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW, Visiting scholar and Deputy Director for International Programs, January 2011 to January 2012 (teaching Introduction into US Law and Legal Institutions to foreign LL.M students, responsible for the administration of the said LL.M Program and other international programs, including launching of the SJD Program).

6. OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

6.1. Expert advisor to the Vice-president of the Serbian Parliament Constitutional Drafting Commission, 2003.

6.2. Member of the President of Serbia expert team for drafting new Constitution, 2004-2005.

6.3. Candidate-judge nominated to the Serbian Constitutional Court by the President of Serbia (June 2005).

6.4. Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia - independent candidate for the Liberal Democratic Party (May 31st 2012 to June 16th 2014), and through that capacity a full member of the PACE - Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (member of the Legal Committee and its Sub-Committee for the Election of the Judges of the European Court of Human Rights; member of the Social Committee), as well as the elected Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean;

6.5. Member of various associations (member of the Serbian Constitutional Association Presidency; Ron Brown Alumna, member of Fulbright Association of Serbia; member of ADEF – *Association des Diplômés de l'Enseignement Supérieur Français*).

7. RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS, BROADCASTING LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA, OSCE Mission to Serbia and Montenegro ed., Belgrade, 2003, 142 pp, in Serbian and English.

45 years of the Constitutional Council of the French Fifth Republic, in Constitution as Lex Superior, A Tribute to Prof. Pavle Nikolić, ed. Udruženje za Ustavno pravo Srbije, Belgrade, 2004, in Serbian.

GUIDEBOOK ON FREE ACCESS TO INFORMATION LAW, Fund for Open Society Serbia ed., Belgrade 2005, 94 pp, in Serbian and English.

Law of Nationality and the Dissolution of Yugoslavia - paper presented at the Round Table »Citizenship or Nationality? Dual Citizenship as A Legal Problem« held on October 3, 2005 in Budapest at the Institute for Legal Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and published as a contribution to the Belgrade Law Faculty Project »The development of Serbian legal system and its harmonization with EU Law«, Belgrade 2005, in English.

On the Occasion of the Adoption of the Draft Constitution of Serbia: Democratic Constitutionalism and Constitutional Power, Serbian Legal Journal, no. 5, Pravni Forum ed., Belgrade 2006, in Serbian.

THE GUARDIAN OF FRENCH CONSTITUTION, ed. 'Službeni Glasnik', Belgrade 2006, 162 pp. (<http://slglasnik.com>), in Serbian.

CAPACITIES OF STATE AND LOCAL ORGANS, MONITORING OF THE EU HARMONISATION PROCESS IN SERBIA - SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND LEGAL ASPECTS, co-author and editor, Fund for Open Society Serbia ed., Belgrade 2006, 142 pp. (<http://www.fosserbia.org>), in Serbian.

On the termination of parliamentary mandate, with the emphasis on the termination caused by the cessation of political party or coalition membership, Belgrade Law Faculty Project »The development of Serbian legal system and its harmonization with EU Law«, Belgrade 2007, in Serbian.

Value jurisprudence in contemporary constitutional review: A challenge before Serbia, VIIth World Congress of the International Association for Constitutional Law, Workshop 15: Balancing and proportionality in constitutional review, Athens, June 2007, in English.

Serbia in Europe – sketch for the diagnosis of condition, contribution to electronic journal *Europe plus*, June 2008, <http://www.emins.org/sr/publikacije/evropa-plus/arhiva/serija2/0806/04.html>, in Serbian.

Historical background to the American controversy over originalist approach to constitutional interpretation – lesson to be learned from, Belgrade Law Faculty Project »The development of Serbian legal system and its harmonization with EU Law«, Belgrade 2008, in English.

American Federalism and the EU Institutional Design Revisited, Belgrade Law Faculty Project »The development of Serbian legal system and its harmonization with EU Law«, Belgrade 2013, in English.

THE CONSTITUTION AND THE RIGHTS OF CITIZENS, mandatory textbook for high-school students, co-authored with professor S. Lilić, 1 ed. "Zavod za udžbenike i nastavna sredstva", Belgrade 2006, 170 pp. (updated IV ed., 190 pp, Belgrade 2013), (<http://www.zavod.co.rs> - catalog of publications), in Serbian.

ORIGINALISM, AMERICAN CONTRIBUTION TO CONSTITUTIONAL INTERPRETATION, Ph.D thesis (expected time frame for completion: autumn 2015), in Serbian.

Candidature of Mr Wojciech SAWICKI

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On 24 March 2015, the Secretary General forwarded to the Committee of Ministers the candidature of Mr Wojciech Sawicki, the current Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly.

The Secretary General appended to that communication a copy of the three letters addressed to him on 20 March 2015 by the following members of the Assembly (in alphabetical order) in which they proposed the candidature of Mr Sawicki:

- Mr Pedro Agramunt, EPP/CD, Spain
- Ms Theodora Bakoyannis, EPP/CD, Greece
- Ms Gülsün Bilgehan, SOC, Turkey
- Mr Christopher Chope, EC, United Kingdom
- Mr Andreas Gross, SOC, Switzerland
- Mr Tiny Kox, UEL, Netherlands
- Ms Stella Kyriakides, EPP/CD, Cyprus
- Ms Ingjerd Schou, EPP/CD, Norway
- Mr Piotr Wach, EPP/CD, Poland
- Mr Jordi Xuclà, ALDE, Spain.

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The present addendum contains the letter signed on 6 May 2015 by Mr Grzegorz Schetyna, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland, also proposing the candidature of Mr Wojciech Sawicki for a second mandate as Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly.

Strasbourg, 20 March 2015

Dear Secretary General,

In accordance with the Regulations relating to the appointment of the Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General and Secretary General of the Assembly, we would like to propose Mr Wojciech Sawicki, current Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly, as candidate for the post of Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly whose term of office will begin on 1 February 2016. You will find appended his curriculum vitae.

We would be most grateful if you could forward this proposal to the Committee of Ministers for examination and subsequent consideration on the occasion of the consultation with the Assembly in the Joint Committee during the 2015 June part-session.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:

Pedro Agramunt, EPP/CD, Spain

Theodora Bakoyannis, EPP/CD, Greece

Gülsün Bilgehan, SOC, Turkey

Christopher Chope, EC, United Kingdom

Andreas Gross, SOC, Switzerland

Tiny Kox, UEL, Netherlands

Stella Kyriakides, EPP/CD, Cyprus

Ingjerd Schou, EPP/CD, Norway

Piotr Wach, EPP/CD, Poland

Jordi Xuclà, ALDE, Spain

Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND

Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Palais de l'Europe

STRASBOURG



Warsaw, 6 May 2015

Minister
of Foreign Affairs

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Dear Secretary General,

Having consulted you in accordance with the regulations relating to the appointment of the Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General and Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Poland I would like to present the candidature of Mr. Wojciech Sawicki, the current Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly, for the second term at the post of the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. Please find enclosed the curriculum vitae of Mr. Sawicki.

I would be most grateful if you could forward this candidature to the Committee of Ministers for examination and subsequent consideration on the occasion of the consultation with the Assembly in the Joint Committee during the 2015 June part-session.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland
Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Curriculum vitae

Wojciech SAWICKI

Wojciech SAWICKI

Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly
of the Council of Europe



Since 1 February 2011

Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

May 2006 – January 2011

Director General, Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (deputy to the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly)

November 2009 – March 2010

Acting Secretary General of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

October 1996 - January 2011

Co-director of the European Centre for Parliamentary Research and Documentation

June 1996 – April 2006

Director (Deputy Clerk) - Head of the General Services Department of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

- giving assistance to the Secretary General (Clerk) of the Parliamentary Assembly in all his tasks, and replacing him if need be;
- responsible for the Interparliamentary cooperation work programme;
- responsible for coordination of committees' activities;
- responsible for management of the Staff of the Secretariat, Administration and Finance.

February 1990 – May 1996

Secretary General of the Polish Senate.

- responsible for setting up and managing all aspects of the Upper House (Senate) of the Polish Parliament's day to day activities;
- providing political, legal and procedural advice to all statutory organs of the Senate;
- responsible for maintaining contacts with the secretariats of other Parliaments;
- co-ordinator on the Polish side for the implementation of long term assistance programmes by a number of Western Parliaments.

October 1977 – January 1990

Programmer and Head of Department in the Power Industry Computer Centre – Warsaw, Poland.

- responsible for planning implementing and maintaining of computer operating systems.

1979 – 1986 - Outside lecturer for the Polish Academy of Sciences / Warsaw

Miscellaneous:

1990 to present

Association of Secretaries General of Parliament

- Member (since 1990)
- Member of the Executive Committee (1992-1996)
- Vice-President (1995-1996)
- Honorary Member (since 1996)

1979 – 1996

Member of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw **Club of Catholic Intellectuals**;

- 1981-1984: Vice-president of the Club
- 1984-1990: Treasurer of the Club.

1980 – 1981 - Chairman of the “**Solidarnosc**” **Trade Union** Section at the Power Industry Computer Centre.

1981 – 1987 - Member of the Church **Committee to Assist (Political) Prisoners and their Families** (set up following the imposition of martial law in December 1981); Head of the Registry and Information Office of the Committee, responsible for setting up and managing the information system of the Committee with more than 18.000 entries.

Distinctions:

2011 - Commander Cross of the Order of the Polish Renaissance (Polonia Restituta)

2002 - Gold Cross of Merit (Poland)

Education - Warsaw University, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Sciences – M. Sc. In Computer Sciences specializing in operating systems (1978)

Languages - English, French and Russian

Nationality - Polish

Date of birth - 20 March 1955

Status - Married, 3 children