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Legal Service

Date

15 March, 2007

List of Danish candidates to the European Court of Human Rights.

Dear Director General,

The Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs refers to the letter dated 21 December 2006 from the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe, Mr. Terry Davis, requesting the Danish Government to nominate three candidates to the European Court of Human Rights in the event that the term of office for the present Danish judge, Mr. Peer Lorenzen, expires before the coming into force of Protocol No. 14 to the European Convention on Human Rights.

The Danish Government has decided to nominate the following three persons as candidates for judgeship of the European Court of Human Rights (in alphabetical order by surname):

- Mr. Stig Glent-Madsen, Judge at the High Court of Western Denmark
- Ms Nina Holst-Christensen, Commissioner in European Union Law and Human Rights, Ministry of Justice
- Mr. Peer Lorenzen, Judge of the Supreme Court and present Judge at the European Court of Human Rights

Enclosed with this letter are the curriculum vitae, in English and French, for each candidate together with their contact details.

Yours sincerely,

Ambassador Peter Taksøe-Jensen, Under-Secretary for Legal Affairs

Candidates Contact Details

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Commissioner in European Union Law and Human Rights Nina Holst-Christensen

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Judge at the European Court of Human Rights Peer Lorenzen

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Private telephone: 0045 2076 9230 ou 0033 6652 94367

Professional address: The European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe, F-67075 Strasbourg Cedex,

France

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CURRICULUM VITAE Stig Glent-Madsen

I. Personal details

Name, forename: Glent-Madsen, Stig

Sex: Male

Date and place of birth: 15 April 1958, Brabrand, Denmark

Nationality: Danish

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

1983: Law Degree from Aarhus University

1987: Journalism Degree from the Danish School of Journalism

III. Relevant professional/ activities

a. Judicial activities

1996 to date: Judge in High Court

b. Non-judicial legal activities

1983 - 1986: Lawyer in law firm Storm Mortensen

1988 - 1989: Lawyer in law firm Bøgh Andersen and Henriksen

1989 - 1992: Head of the Department of Law and Property at Danish Supermarkets

1992 - 1996: Partner in law firm Aaboulevarden Advocates

c. Non-legal professional activities

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

1993 - 1997: Lecturer in Human Rights at Aarhus University;

1993 - 1996: Member of the Danish Refugee Appeal Board (Flygtningenaevnet);

1993 - 1996: Founder member of the Danish Section of The International Commission of 3urists and

member of the board;

1994: Member of EU. Human Rigths mission to Ghana on behalf of the Danish Institute for

Human Rights;

1998 - 2003: Vice-Chairman of The Board of the Danish Refugee Council (Dank Flygtningehjælp);

1993 – 2005: Board Member of DanChurchAid (Folkekirkens Nødhjælp - www.noedhjaelp.dk), and

from 1997 to 2005 Chairman of the board. This organisation has an annual budget of 50 million Euros and plays a significant rote in Human Rights in developing countries, In my capacity as Chairman of the board I have been involved in a number of Human Rights missions to India, Palestine, Angola, Sudan, Rwanda, Malawi, Ethiopia, Kosovo, South Africa, The Philippines, Uganda, Tanzania, Congo etc. As Chairman I was head of several Human Rights Legal Delegations in Central America in 1996, 1998, 2001, 2003

and 2005;

2003 and 2005: Short missions for the World Bank to Albania, Macedonia, Guatemala, El Salvador and

Honduras:

2005 and 2007: I was head of a legal delegation to Cambodia and Burkina Faso arranged in co-operation

with the Danish Institute for Human Rights.

V. Public activities

- a. Public office
- b Elected posts
- c Posts held in a political party or movement

I have not been politically active.

VI. Other activities

- a. Field
- b. Duration
- c. Functions

VII. Publications and other works

(You may indicate the total number of books and articles published, but mention only the most important titles (maximum 8))

I have written several articles about human rights issues in developing countries especially about India, Angola, Guatemala and Honduras.

VIII. Languages

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking
a. First language: Danish	VG	VG	VG
b. Official languages: - English - French	VG F	VG	VG F
c. Other languages: - German - Spanish	G F	F	G F

IX. Other relevant information

X. Please confirm that you will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge on the Court.

I will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg.

CURRICULUM VITAE Nina Holst-Christensen

I. Personal details

Name, forename: Holst-Christensen, Nina

Sex: Female

Date and place of birth: 25 February 1960, Copenhagen

Nationality: Danish

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

Master of law (cand.jur.) 1984 University of Copenhagen

III. Relevant professional activities

a. Judicial activities:

1993-1994: Part time deputy judge (deltidsdommerfuldmgtig) at the Court of Taarnby

1994: Part time deputy judge (deltidsdommerfuldmgtig) at the Court of Bailerup

b. Non-judicial legal activities:

1984-1987: Legal Adviser, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1987-1994: Legal Adviser, Ministry of Justice

1987-1993: Part time deputy public prosecutor (deltidspolitifuldmægtig) at the Copenhagen Police, the

Director of Public Prosecutions and the Regional Public Prosecutor for Sealand

1994: Senior Legal Adviser, Ministry of Justice

1995-2000: Head of Division of European Union Law and Human Rights, Ministry of Justice

Since 2000: Commissioner in European Union Law and Human Rights, Ministry of Justice

Since 2000: Agent of the Government of Denmark before the European Court of Human Rights in

applications concerning alleged violations of Article 6 of the European Convention on

Human Rights. Co-Agent in the other applications against Denmark

1984-1989: Lecturer of European Union Law at the University of Copenhagen

Since 1989: Assistant professor of European Union Law at the University of Copenhagen

Since 1998: Editor of the Danish general commentary on European Union Law Legislation (EU-Karnov),

Thomson Publisher

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

1987-1989: Representative of Denmark in the Council of Europe Committee of Experts for the

Improvement of Procedures for the Protection of Human Rights (DH-PR)

1999-2001: Member of the Government Committee on Incorporation of Human Rights Conventions into

Danish Legislation on behalf of the Ministry of Justice

Since 2000: Representative of Denmark in the Council of Europe Steering Committee of Human Rights

(CDDH)

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Since 2000:

Agent of the Government of Denmark before the European Court of Human Rights in applications concerning alleged violations of Article 6 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Co-Agent in the other applications against Denmark (see above)

V. Public activities

VI. Other activities

Since 1999 member of the Executive Committee of the Danish Association of European Law (Dansk Forening for Europaret)

Since 2000 member of the Executive Committee of the Danish Association of European Penal Law (Dansk Selskab for Europæisk Strafferet)

Since 2006 member of the Editorial Committee of the Danish European Union Law and Human Rights Journal (EU-Ret & Menneskeret)

VII. Publications and other works

(Jointly with four others): Commentary on the European Convention on Human Rights (Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedskonvention med kommentarer), 2nd edition, DJOEF Publishing, Copenhagen 2003 and 2004 (two volumes)

(Together with another author): Free Movement in the European Union, Cases, Commentaries and Questions, DJOEF Publishing, Copenhagen 1998 (1st ed.), 2000 (2nd ed.), 2003 (3rd ed.), 2007 (4th ed.). 3rd ed. also published in English in 2004

Furthermore, I have written 17 articles on European Union Law and Human Rights related issues (published in the period from 1989 to 2006) of which the following are the most important titles concerning Human Rights:

Is the ECHR enforceable in Denmark? (Gælder menneskerettighederne i Danmark?), The Danish Law Journal (Juristen) 1989 p. 48

Screening of the consistency with the ECHR and other international conventions on human rights of the Danish Governmental Bills (Screening af danske regeringslovforslags overensstemmelse med Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedskonvention og andre internationale konventioner om menneskerettigheder), The Icelandic Law Journal (Timarit lôgfrædinga), 2003 p. 421

A reform of the European Court of Human Rights - Protocol No. 14 to the ECHR (En reform af Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedsdomstol - protokol nr. 14 til Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedskonvention om ændring af konventionens kontrolsystem), The Danish European Union Law and Human Rights Journal (EU-ret & Menneskeret) 2004, p. 209

The European Court of Justice' application of the jurisprudence from the European Court of Human Rights since 1991 (EF-Domstolens anvendelse af retspraksis fra Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedsdomstol siden 1991), article in a hommage volume to Carl Aage Norgaard, 2004, p. 151

(Together with another author): The jurisprudence from the European Court of Human Rights in the Danish applications (2002-2005), (Den Europiske Menneskerettighedsdomstols praksis i danske klagesager (2002-2005)), The Danish European Union Law and Human Rights Journal (EU-ret & Menneskeret) 2005 P. 281

New jurisprudence from the European Court of Human Rights in applications on length of procedure (Ny praksis ved Den Europæiske Menneskerettighedsdomstol i sager om lang sagsbehandlingstid), The Danish Weekly Law Reports, Ugeskrift for Retsvsen 2006 B p. 311

VIII. Languages

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking
a. First language: Danish	VG	VG	VG
b. Official languages: - English - French	VG G	VG F	VG F
c. Other languages: - Swedish, Norwegian	VG	F	G

IX. Other relevant information

I hereby confirm that I will take up permanent residence in Strasbourg if elected a judge on the Court.

CURRICULUM VITAE Peer Lorenzen

I. Personal details

Sex: male

Date and place of birth: born on 20 May 1944 in Copenhagen, Denmark

Nationality: Danish

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

Master of law (juridisk embedseksamen) University of Aarhus, 1969

III. Professional activities

a. Judicial activities

1982-92: Judge of the Court of Appeal of Western Denmark

1989-90: Investigating Judge concerning a case of alleged maladministration in the Ministry of

Housing and related institutions

1992-94: President of the Court of Appeal of Western Denmark

Since 1994: Justice of the Supreme Court of Denmark

b. Non-judicial activities

1969-74: Assistant professor of public law at the University of Aarhus (1969-70), and of constitutional

law at the University of Copenhagen, (1970-74)

1970-78: Legal Adviser, Ministry of Justice, 1973-78 in the Law Department with subjects relating to

administrative, constitutional law and human rights. In the same period secretary to the Government Committee on revision of the Act on access to the files of administrative

authorities.

1978-82: Head of Department at the Parliamentary Ombudsman's Office

1985-86: Chairman of the Aliens Appeals Board

1992-96: Chairman of the National Council for Prevention of Crime

1992-96: Chairman of the Permanent Law Reform Commission on Administration of Justice.

1994-95: Chairman of the Working Environment Council

1997: Chairman of the Government Committee on access to files concerning civil servants

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

1983-92: Representative of Denmark in the Council of Europe Committee of Experts on Development

of Human Rights, and Chairman of that committee, 1991-92

1989-91: Member of the Government Committee on Incorporation of the European Convention on

Human Rights in Danish Law

1995-99: Member of the European Commission of Human Rights

Since 1998: Judge of the European Court of Human Rights. In December 2005 elected President of the

Court's firth Section.

1999-2001: Chairman of the Government Committee on Incorporation of Human Rights' Conventions in

Danish Law

V. Public activities

VI. Other activities

1987-91: Member of the Executive Committee of the Danish Association of Judges

Since 1988: External examiner at the University of Aarhus

Since 1992: Member of the Editorial Committee of the Law Journal Juristen

Since 1994: Member of the Editorial Committee of the Danish Human Rights Journal EU & Menneskeret

VII. Publications and other works

(jointly with two others) *EMRK-Kommentar* (Commentary on the European Convention on Human Rights) Copenhagen 1994 (544 pages). A second edition (jointly with four others) was published in February 2003 and November 2004 (two volumes)

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	VG	F	G

IX. Other relevant information

I have permanent residence in Strasbourg