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#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE: 25 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 12 NOON GENEVA TIME**

- The application process consists of two compulsory parts:
  - (1) online survey¹ (https://ohchr-survey.unog.ch/index.php/985419) and
  - (2) application form in Word format<sup>2</sup> (to be downloaded from <a href="https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/HRC49.aspx">https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/HRC49.aspx</a>)
- Once fully completed, in English or French only, the Word application form should be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org">ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org</a>
- A maximum of up to three optional reference letters may be attached to the email (in Word or PDF format).
- No additional documents (e.g. CVs, resumes or additional reference letters) will be accepted.
- Applicants will receive an acknowledgment email when both parts of the application process, i.e. the data submitted through the online survey and the Word application form, have been received by the Secretariat.
- Applications will only be considered if both parts and all sections of the Word application form have been completed and received by the Secretariat before the expiration of the deadline. **No incomplete or late applications will be accepted**.
- Eligible for Working Group mandates are only nationals of the States belonging to the <u>regional</u> <u>groups</u> for which specific vacancies have been advertised.
- General description of the selection process and answers to frequently asked questions are available at <a href="https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx">https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/BasicInformationSelectionIndependentExperts.aspx</a>
- In case of technical difficulties or problems with accessing or completing the forms, you may contact the Secretariat by email (<a href="mailto:ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org">ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org</a>) or fax (+41 22 917 9008).

| I. PERSONAL DATA                    |   |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1. Family (last) name: Albanese     | 5. Year of birth: 1977  |  |
| 2. First (given) name: Francesca P. | 6. Place of birth: Ariano Irpino (AV), Italy  |  |
| 3. Other name, if any:              | 7. Nationality (please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): Italian |  |
| 4. Gender: Female                   | 8. Any other nationality: N/A   |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The short **online survey** is used to collect information for statistical purposes such as personal data (i.e. name, gender, nationality), contact details, mandate applying for and, if appropriate, nominating entity. <u>The same name, gender and nationality must be used</u> both in the online survey and in the Word application form.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The **application form in Word format** includes a motivation letter of maximum 600 words (section III of the form). The application form should be completed in English or French only, the two working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. The application form will be used as received to prepare the public list of eligible candidates who applied for the vacancy. The application forms of eligible candidates will also be posted as received on the OHCHR public web page for the selection process.

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#### II. MANDATE-SPECIFIC COMPETENCE / QUALIFICATIONS / KNOWLEDGE

NOTE: Please describe why the candidate's competence / qualifications / knowledge is relevant in relation to the specific mandate:

#### 1. QUALIFICATIONS (200 words limit)

Relevant educational qualifications or equivalent professional experience in the field of human rights; good communication skills (i.e. orally and in writing) in one of the six official languages of the United Nations (i.e. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish.)

I am an international lawyer, with a solid knowledge of International Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law, gained through advanced legal studies and over 17 years of experience, including fieldwork with the UN, academia and NGOs. I have researched and written extensively on the human rights dimension of the Israel/Palestine question, in both academic and media publications. My experience is enriched by the book I coauthored last year on the legal dimension of the Palestinian refugee question (with Oxford University Press). I have presented its legal approach and transformative ideas in over 40 lectures and seminars with prestigious universities and policy-makers. Policy dialogue with governments, international organizations and civil-society is thus an integral part of my modus operandi centered on leveraging rigorous academic work to impact the public debate. I am currently an Affiliate Scholar at Georgetown University, and I teach a course I have designed on the 'humanitarian, legal and political responses to the Palestinian forced displacement', as a nonresident Professor in several universities (Bethlehem, Birzeit, Salento). The PhD I am completing examines the colonial legacy of the international protection regime in resolution of protracted refugee situations. I also regularly engage with the media through articles and interviews, targeting wider audiences.

#### 2. RELEVANT EXPERTISE (200 words limit)

Knowledge of international human rights instruments, norms and principles. (Please state how this was acquired.)

Knowledge of institutional mandates related to the United Nations or other international or regional organizations' work in the area of human rights and particularly in the area of the mandate. (Please state how this was acquired.) Proven work experience in the field of human rights and particularly in the area of the mandate. (Please state years of experience.)

I have gained an in-depth knowledge of the international human rights system (IHRS), including its norms and mechanisms, through over a decade of direct work and exposure to both. In the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), I advised national human rights institutions both on compliance with international standards and interaction with treaty bodies and special procedures. In the UN Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), because of my knowledge of the IHRS, I led the development of a strategic framework (now an Agency policy) to promote both effective interaction between UNRWA and human rights mechanisms and the harmonization of UNRWA's policies to human rights standards. 'Bridging' the gap between Palestinian refugees and the IHRS – I argued – would more clearly expose the legal challenges Palestinian refugees experience worldwide, and also facilitate advocacy to upgrade their legal status and living conditions. I also prepared several of the Agency's submissions to thematic Mandate Holders, including by working in partnership with civil

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society to trigger synergic action and strategic follow up. I am particularly familiar with the work of the current SRoPt, whose legal contribution stands out for pertinence, relevance and incisiveness. I regularly refer to his reports in my writing and teaching, as I firmly believe in the power of advocacy to make the Law of practical relevance.

#### 3. ESTABLISHED COMPETENCE (200 words limit)

Nationally, regionally or internationally recognized competence related to human rights. (Please explain how such competence was acquired.)

Working for 17 years in the field of human rights in a variety of countries and contexts (about a decade of which, with the UN), sharpened my ability to interact with a wide range of situations and actors. Along with a deep, practical understanding of human rights and related implementation challenges, my over ten years of work in and on Palestine has given me a privileged exposure to the legal, political and socio-economic environment as well as key stakeholders in the region. In this context, I have managed high-level relations on complex issues, and acquired a robust knowledge of state actors, civil society and scholars engaged in human rights in the Arab region. This set of competences is what has led me to lead a sensitive program of the Jordan-based NGO ARDD (The Question of Palestine Program). The Global Network on the Question of Palestine (i.e. a coalition of 80 highly respected individuals and organizations engaged with the Israel/Palestine question) that I have helped ARDD establish and run since 2018, is an example of my focus on inclusiveness and creating synergies around the imperative to address and improve the human rights situation in Palestine. Those experiences and skills have contributed, I believe, to make me a wellrespected human rights analyst, an effective communicator and an agile interlocutor for a wide range of stakeholders.

#### 4. PUBLICATIONS OR PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Please list significant and relevant published books, articles, journals and reports that the candidate has written or public statements, or pronouncements that the candidate has made or events participated in relation to the mandate.

### 4.1 <u>Enter three publications in relation to the mandate applied for, in the order of relevance:</u>

**1. Title of publication:** Palestinian Refugees in International Law (book)

Journal/Publisher: Oxford University Press

Date of publication: June 2020

Web link, if available: https://global.oup.com/academic/product/palestinian-refugees-in-

international-law-9780198784050?cc=us&lang=en&

**2. Title of publication:** The Palestinian refugee question: root causes and breaking the

impasse (article)

Journal/Publisher: Forced Migration Review

Date of publication: October 2019

Web link, if available:

https://www.fmreview.org/sites/fmr/files/FMRdownloads/en/return/return.pdf

3. Title of publication: UNRWA and Palestine Refugee Rights: New Assaults, New Challenges

**Journal/Publisher:** Institute for Palestine Studies (booklet)

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Date of publication: October 2018

Web link, if available: https://www.palestine-

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If more than three publications, kindly summarize (200 words limit): I have researched and written extensively on the Question of Palestine and Israel/Palestine, to which the situation in the oPt is integral. My main focus has been the question of Palestinian refugees, their status, treatment and unmet rights. This has given me the opportunity to become an intimate 'connaisseuse' of the legal, historical and political underpinnings of the Israel/Palestine question (of whose most tragic implications the refugees are no doubt the human face). Besides the track record of recent academic production, my (less technical) oped pieces have been published in the Washington Post, Middle East Monitor, Jadaliyya and Mondoweiss (available online). Some of the studies I led (e.g. on the potential of the green economy for Palestinian refugees in the Levant; on Palestinian refugee youth political aspirations) were published by the organization I currently work for (ARDD) and are also currently being turned into both policy briefs and academic articles for publication in scholarly journals.

- 4.2 <u>Enter three public statements or pronouncements made or events that the candidate may have participated in relation to the mandate applied for, in the order of relevance:</u>
- 1. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:

'UNRWA at 70: Responding to Crises and Building a Just Future'

Event organizer: Palestine Return Center (UK), Al Jazeera Center for Studies, and the

European Center for Palestine Studies at the University of Exeter

**Date on which public statement/pronouncement made:** 30 November 2019 **Web link, if available:** https://prc.org.uk/en/post/4147/prc-concludes-successful-

conference-on-unrwa

**2. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:** United Nations Forum on the Ouestion of Palestine

**Event organizer:** The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian

People

Date on which public statement/pronouncement made: 18 May 2017

**Web link, if available:** https://www.un.org/unispal/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Programme-letter-sz.pdf

3. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:

Annual Global Conference of the Forum of Mediterranean Women Journalists

Event organizer: Forum of Mediterranean Women Journalists

Date on which public statement/pronouncement made: 25 November 2020

**Web link, if available:** https://giornaliste.org/francesca-albanese/

**If more than three, kindly summarize** (200 words limit): In just the past five years, I have participated in over forty relevant debates, many at the request universities interested in the findings of my recent book (e.g. American University of Beirut, Birzeit, Bologna, Fordham, Galway, Georgetown, German-Jordanian University, Harvard, Oxford, Singapore, Toronto) as

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well as other legal discussions concerning recent developments in the oPt (e.g. the status of Jerusalem, and Sheikh Jarrah in particular; military operations in the Gaza Strip under blockade). In addition to academics, these have involved groups of Palestinian refugees, UN, policy makers and representatives of civil society. Since 2020, I have been invited to give lectures on the legal aspects of the Question of Palestine to a variety of state officials, including Indonesian diplomats as part of their professional training at the Indonesia Ministry of Foreign Affairs. I have also been interviewed as an expert on relevant legal issues by TV and radio programs in Italy, Jordan and Pakistan.

5. FLEXIBILITY/READINESS AND AVAILABILITY OF TIME (200 words limit) to perform effectively the functions of the mandate and to respond to its requirements, including participating in Human Rights Council (HRC) sessions in Geneva and General Assembly sessions in New York, travelling on two country visits per year, drafting reports according to established deadlines, organizing and participating in consultations and meetings, addressing allegations of human rights violations with all concerned, providing advice to States and other stakeholders on issues related to their mandate and engaging with a variety of stakeholders. Kindly indicate whether the candidate can dedicate an estimated time of four to six months per year to the work of a mandate depending on its workload.

Please note that the work of mandate holders is unpaid. Those appointed as mandate holders serve in their personal capacities. They are not United Nations staff members, they are not based in United Nations offices in Geneva or at another United Nations location, and they do not receive salary or other financial compensation, except for travel expenses and daily subsistence allowance of "experts on mission".

I am aware that the position of SR is not remunerated though it involves significant responsibility and time commitment. I am fully cognizant of what it entails, and it would be a honor for me to hold it, as a lawyer, as a woman and as someone unfailingly committed to justice, which remains an abstraction until it is enjoyed by all. My family is supportive and my current commitment as Senior Adviser to ARDD and teaching professor afford me the necessary flexibility to perform the functions of the mandate effectively. This includes being regularly available to monitor the human rights situation in the oPt and intervene bilaterally and or via public advocacy as appropriate; travel to Geneva and New York to present the reports, as well as to any other destinations requiring my presence; and maintain regular contact and consultations with a variety of actors. With two young children, and until recently based in Indonesia (my spouse's former duty station), I have regularly travelled for weeks both for research and to participate in conferences, high-level meetings and consultations in Europe, the Levant and the US. Furthermore, I see my previous experience with OHCHR and the Geneva-based international human rights system, as a great advantage, which would allow me to be immediately effective and help overcome the initial challenges inherent in taking up such an important function.

| 6. NOMINATION FOR THE MANDATE Indicate whether the candidate has been nominated by (check all that apply): |
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| ☑ Individual nominations (indicate this if the candidate is self-nominating)                               |
| ☐ Governments ☐ Regional groups operating within the United Nations human rights systems                   |

#### SECOND PART: APPLICATION FORM IN WORD FORMAT

### Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories

| occupied since 1967   |  |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>□ International organizations or their offices</li> <li>□ Non-governmental organizations</li> <li>□ National human rights institutions</li> <li>□ Other human rights bodies</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Name of the nominating entity and additional information about the nomination (use if applicable, for third-party nominations only) (200 words limit):  |  |  |  |

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#### III. MOTIVATION LETTER, INCLUDING YOUR VISION OF THE MANDATE

(600 word limit. Must be typed in the space below and not sent in a separate email or as an attachment. To be drafted and signed (i.e. with a typed signature) by the candidate himself/herself even if nominated by another entity.)

Distinguished Members of the Council,

After careful consideration of both professional and personal factors, and having been encouraged by prominent human rights professionals, I have decided to apply for the position of Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the occupied Palestinian territories (SRoPt).

A human rights lawyer 'by training and call', I have a track record of professional and academic engagement on the situation in Israel/Palestine. The role of SRoPt offers, besides the heavy responsibility associated with the function, a unique opportunity to put my specific qualifications and expertise to good use on a defining issue of our times. I am convinced that my competence, determination, networks and vision make me a very suitable candidate for this post.

My commitment to human rights and justice, of which my engagement with the situation in Israel/Palestine is an important part, is deep rooted. My upbringing as a girl in a socially conservative part of south of Italy, coupled with the need to assume responsibility for my university education and livelihood at an early age, has certainly shaped my personality and worldview. It has also sharpened my attention to gender and power dynamics in traditional societies and conflict situations, as well as my attachment to the (re)balancing power of the Law.

I am firmly convinced that multilateralism and the human rights system have an important role to play in ending the protracted impasse in the Israel/Palestine situation. Re-empowering multilateralism appears to be the only way to both correct the asymmetry of power between the Government of Israel and the largely impotent Palestinian Authority and rekindle the global commitment to address gross human rights violations. Furthermore, reaffirming the primacy of international law over political or ideological convenience is not only a moral necessity; it is a prerequisite for progress towards effective human rights protection and peace. Human rights and accountable governance must be a central point of reference, for the international community and the parties to the conflict, to address, not just the symptoms, but key drivers of despair and conflictuality.

If given the opportunity to serve as a SRoPt, in the wake of my esteemed predecessors, I would continue to try to repair the rupture between principles and reality in the oPt. Gaza under blockade, the West Bank and East Jerusalem transfigured by the settlement architecture, bear testament to the disconnect between reality and the Law. I would particularly carry forward the mission of the current SRoPt, whose sound interpretation of international law has helped not only to fill inconvenient legal lacunae (for example on the 'end of occupation' in IHL) but to also expose how decades of political inertia have enabled the Israeli occupation, first and foremost, to extend its violation of basic human rights and humanitarian rules.

My first entry point would be governmental and non-governmental actors in both Israel and the oPt, as well as countries in the Arab world where most of the Palestinians who were

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displaced in 1967 (and 1948) still reside. I would work towards maximizing the use of regional mechanisms whose potential to advance human rights in the oPt remains untapped, but also towards influencing 'key enablers', such as the EU, the US, the Quartet and the World Bank. Using my extensive network of contacts among academics, policymakers, diplomats, NGOs and practitioners, I would strive to further enrich and disseminate my work as SRoPt, including by reaching out to Jewish and Palestinian communities worldwide. To this aim, I would strive to effectively use media and social networks within the scope of the Special Procedures Code of Conduct.

I thank you in advance for your diligence and would be happy to be given the opportunity to discuss my candidacy with you.

Warmest regards, Francesca P. Albanese

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#### IV. LANGUAGES (READ / WRITTEN / SPOKEN)

Please indicate all language skills below.

1. Mother tongue: Italian

2. Knowledge of the official languages of the United Nations:

Arabic: Yes or no: No If yes,

**Read:** Easily or Not easily: **Write:** Easily or Not easily: **Speak:** Easily or Not easily:

**Chinese:** Yes or no: **No** If yes,

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **Write:** Easily or not easily: **Speak:** Easily or not easily:

**English:** Yes or no: **Yes** If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: Easily Write: Easily or not easily: Easily Speak: Easily or not easily: Easily

**French:** Yes or no: **Yes** If yes,

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **Easily Write:** Easily or not easily: **Easily Speak:** Easily or not easily: **Easily** 

**Russian:** Yes or no: **No** If yes,

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **Write:** Easily or not easily: **Speak:** Easily or not easily:

**Spanish:** Yes or no: **Yes** If yes,

Read: Easily or not easily: Easily
Write: Easily or not easily: Not easily
Speak: Easily or not easily: Easily

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#### **V. EDUCATIONAL RECORD**

NOTE: Please list the candidate's academic qualifications (university level and higher, indicating the type of degree and field of study, and whether full- or part-time; for example, *Masters in Law, University of XXX, part-time, 1975-1977, city and country*). If space in the table is insufficient, more than one degree may be listed in a single cell below, separating them by a blank line.

| Name of degree, field of study and name of academic institution, full or part-time:                          | Years of<br>attendance<br>(provide a<br>range from-to,<br>for example<br>1999-2003;<br>for ongoing<br>education,<br>please put e.g.<br>2018-present): | Place and country: |
|--|---|--------------------|
| PhD Candidate (Refugee Studies) University of Amsterdam, School of Law (external candidate)                  | 2020-present  | The Netherlands    |
| LL.M in International Human Rights Law<br>School of Oriental and African Studies, London<br>(full time)      | 2005-2006   | UK                 |
| MA International Development Institute for Advanced International (ISUFI), University of Salento (full time) | 2001-2002   | Italy              |
| BA/LLB (with honors) Faculty of Law, University of Pisa, Italy (full time)                                   | 1996-2001   | Italy              |
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#### **VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

NOTE: Please briefly list ALL RELEVANT professional positions held in the area of human rights, <u>beginning with the candidate's current (most recent) occupation</u>. Also, indicate whether positions held were full-time or part-time. If space in the table is insufficient, more than one position may be listed in a single cell below, separating them by a blank line.

| Name of employer, functional title, main functions of position, full- or part-time:   | Years of work    (provide a range from-to, for example 1999-2005; for ongoing activities, please put e.g. 2018-present): | Place<br>and country: |
|---|--|-----------------------|
| Senior Adviser on Migration, Refugees and Shattat,<br>Coordinator of the Question of Palestine Program<br>Arab Renaissance for Democracy and Development<br>(ARDD), Jordan  | 2018-present   | Amman, Jordan         |
| Currently lead research team and provide strategic advice on the Question of Palestine, as well as migration, refugees and diasporas in the MENA region. Coordinate the 'Question of Palestine program' (teaching, leading seminars, coordinating expert network, engaging strategic stakeholders), including leading four regional research projects (green economy and refugees; international criminal law and the right of return; UNRWA reform; Palestinian refugee youths' political aspirations and identity). In 2020, drafted strategy to upgrade ARDD's research capacity into a regional research hub.  Position is full time till end of 2021, and as of 2022 I |  |                       |
| will move to part time.   |  |                       |
| Affiliate Scholar (non-resident) Institute for the Study of International Migration (ISIM), Georgetown University   | 2015-present   | Washington DC, US     |
| Conduct independent legal research, author peer-<br>reviewed scholarly papers, blogs, op-eds on<br>Israel/Palestine and forced displacement in the Arab<br>world. (Co)authored major scholarly contribution:  | (2016-2021)  | Jakarta, Indonesia    |

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| Palestinian Refugees in International Law (Oxford University Press 2020) and other publications for Oxford Refugee Study Center, Institute for Palestine Studies et al.   |                |   |
| Non resident professor for MA students at Bethlehem University; major convenor of and professor in bimonthly courses on Forced Displacement and 10 day course on the Question of Palestine with Birzeit University, as of 2021. Non-resident teaching professor at University of Salento, Master in Governance and Migration as of 2021.  | (2018-present) | Bethlehem, oPt                          |
|   | (2021-present) | Birzeit, oPt                            |
|   | (2021-present) | Lecce, Italy                            |
| Senior Technical Advisor (Protection) on Humanitarian<br>Response, Humanitarian Assistance and Resilience<br>Team, Project Concern International, Washington DC   | 2014-2015      | Washington DC, US-<br>Monrovia, Liberia |
| Provided strategic advice on humanitarian support to Liberia during the Ebola crisis. Supported policy and strategy development to integrate protection in the organization's work. Led global vulnerability assessment in Liberia, which entailed coordinating 23 local and international staff, run study on the ground and liaise with a variety of stakeholders, from UN to, health authorities, local civil society and INGOs.   |                |   |
| Legal Officer (Access\Protection)   | 2010-2012      | Jerusalem                               |
| UNRWA Department of Legal Affairs, International Law Division (Headquarters/Jerusalem)  |                |   |
| Researched and advised on a variety of legal matters concerning the Agency's mandate and functions, as well as Palestinian refugees' legal status in host countries. Contributed to UNRWA Protection policy development and mainstreaming. Led development of UNRWA Policy Framework for Effective Interaction with the International Human Rights System for Palestinian refugees. Drafted agency biannual reports on UNRWA neutrality. Coordinated submissions and in-person presentations to UN bodies and independent experts (i.e. UPR/Human Rights Council, thematic special rapporteurs, treaty bodies, minority forum and forum of indigenous peoples, commissions of inquiry). |                |   |

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| Human Rights Officer   | 2006-2010            | Geneva, Switzerland  |
| OHCHR, Field Cooperation and Technical Cooperation Division, National Institutions Unit  |                      |  |
| Provided legal research on and technical assistance to national human rights institutions (NHRIs) in over 20 countries in the MENA region and the Asia Pacific. Advised on over 20 NHRI laws' compliance with international standards (Paris Principles). Supported coordination of the NHRIs' accreditation process based on their compliance with international standards. Assisted NHRIs in their interaction with the international human rights system, particularly treaty bodies, human rights council and special procedures. Led a variety of human rights capacity assessments and development of human rights programs and regional partnership with UNDP and human rights related national authorities in South East Asia. |                      |  |
| UN Fellow, Democratic Governance   | 2003-2005            | Rabat, Morocco   |
| UNDP, Governance and Social Development Unit,<br>Rabat, Morocco  |                      |  |
| Project management; establishment of regional and national 'inclusion platforms' in the Maghreb/Morocco; implementation of 'rights' approach through decentralized cooperation project activities.   |                      |  |
| Election Observer/Monitor  |                      |  |
| European Union Election Observation Mission<br>Haiti (Jan-Feb 2006),<br>Guinea Bissau (Jun-Aug 2005)<br>Pakistan (Sept-Oct 2002)   | 2006<br>2005<br>2002 | Fort Liberté, Haiti<br>Bafata, Guinea B.<br>Lahore, Pakistan |
| Legal Aid<br>CGIL (Workers' Union), Italy – CEFA NGO, Morocco  | 2002                 | Bologna/Italy<br>Settat, Morocco                             |
| Provided legal counsel to undocumented migrants from Morocco to Italy. Developed and delivered legal trainings for perspective migrants.   |                      |  |

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# VII. COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICS AND INTEGRITY PROVISIONS (of Human Rights Council resolution 5/1) To be completed by the candidate or by the nominating entity on the candidate's behalf.

1. To your knowledge, does the candidate have any official, professional, personal, or financial relationships that might cause the candidate to limit the extent of inquiries, to limit disclosure, or to weaken or slant findings in any way? If yes, please explain.

No

2. Are there any factors that could either directly or indirectly influence, pressure, threaten, or otherwise affect the candidate's ability to act independently in discharging the mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

3. Is there any reason, currently or in the past, that could call into question the candidate's moral authority and credibility or does the candidate hold any views or opinions that could prejudice the manner in which the candidate discharges the mandate? If yes, please explain:

No

- 4. Does the candidate comply with the provisions in paragraph 44 and 46 of the annex to Human Rights Council resolution 5/1? (Please answer YES if the candidate complies, NO if the candidate does not comply, together with an explanation.)
  - Para. 44: The principle of non-accumulation of human rights functions at a time shall be respected.
  - Para. 46: Individuals holding decision-making positions in Government or in any other organization or entity which may give rise to a conflict of interest with the responsibilities inherent to the mandate shall be excluded. Mandate holders will act in their personal capacity.

Yes

5. Should the candidate be appointed as a mandate holder, the candidate will have to take measures to comply with paragraphs 44 and 46 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1. In the event that the current occupation or activity, even if unpaid, of the candidate may give rise to a conflict of interest (e.g. if a candidate holds a decision-making position in Government) and/or there is an accumulation of human rights functions (e.g. as a member of another human rights mechanism at the international, regional or national level), necessary measures could include relinquishing positions, occupations or activities. If applicable, please indicate the measures the candidate will take.

I do not find this immediately relevant to me. Nonetheless, should any of my current commitments conflict with the provisions of paragraphs 44 and 46 of the annex to Council resolution 5/1, I stand ready to consider relinquishing such positions, occupations or activities.

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#### VIII. CERTIFY AND SUBMIT APPLICATION

To be completed by the candidate. The candidate's name below should match how it is entered on the first page of the form and in the online survey.

I hereby certify that all of the statements made in this application are true, complete and are made in good faith. I understand that falsifying or intentionally withholding information will be grounds for not being selected or appointed or the withdrawal of any proposed appointment or, if an appointment has been made and accepted, for its immediate cancellation or termination.

Kindly note that whilst no changes can be made after this application form has been submitted and the deadline for applications has expired, any relevant change of current occupation, employment, or position, or any other relevant fact or circumstance should be brought to the attention of the secretariat by email (ohchr-hrcspecialprocedures@un.org).

Please review the application before you insert your name and date to indicate your agreement.

Name: Francesca P. Albanese Date: November 23, 2021

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