**Annex II**

Biographical data form of candidates to human rights treaty bodies

**(Please respect the specified amount of lines when filling out this form and**

**return it electronically in words format)**

**Name and first name:** Johannes Nicolaas Horn

**Date and place of birth:** 25 November 1952 in Johannesburg, RSA (I became a Namibian in 1996. I am no longer a South African Citizen).

**Working languages:** English

**Current position/function:**

Professor of Law, University of Namibia: I teach Constitutional Law, Philosophy of Law and for the last two years, also Criminal Procedure. I also teach a module on Human Rights Law for law enforcement agents, Namibian Police and the City Police, in a programme of the University of Namibia Business School. I was the Director of Human Rights and Documentation Centre until 2009 when I became Dean of the Faculty of Law, UNAM.

**Main professional activities:[[1]](#footnote-1)**

Apart of the teaching responsibilities noted above, I am also the editor of the Namibian Law Journal.

I publish extensively on Human Rights and Constructional issues.

I am a trustee of the Namibian Law Journal and Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the SADC Law Journal, based at the University of Cape Town.

I am a board member of the African Consortium of Law and Religion Studies. One of my responsibilities is to deal with issues related to racial discrimination within religious bodies and how to deal with it within non-racial legal systems.

I have published extensively on racial issues in pre-democratic South Africa and pre-independent Namibia over the years.

I am a frequent speaker at conferences on racial discrimination and racism in religious structures.

**Educational background:**

Dr. Juris in Law (Cum Laude), University of Bremen.

Dr. Th in Theological Ethics (Politics and Theology) at the University of the Western Cape.

MA (Cum Laude) in Biblical Studies and Theology (University of Port Elizabeth, now Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University) and LLM (UNISA)

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B. Proc (Rand Afrikaans University, now University of Johannesburg).

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:**

I do Human Rights training for The Namibian Police on a regular basis, including training in racial & gender sensitivities. In 2012 I did extensive training for the commanding structures of NAMPOL. I also trained all the instructors at the NAMPOL Training College in Windhoek and Ondangwa.

I am a freelance political analyst and comment amongst other things, on human rights issues.

I appear regularly on programmes of the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation and am regularly quoted in the Namibian Newspapers.

A great part of my work deals with the rise of racism twenty-seven years after independence and xenophobia in South Africa.

I regularly engage in discussion groups on race in the churches in Southern Africa.

I have written extensively in newspaper articles, religious publications such as the UNISA Church History publication, SHE.

**List of most recent publications in the field:**

The Western Sahara case: Land Reform and pre-colonial land rights in Namibia, in SADC Law Journal, No 1, 2014/15

Human Rights Education in Africa, in Bösl A, and Diescho (2009), Human Rights in Africa, KAS, p53.

Pentecostals and the Human Rights Dispensation. A Case study of the AFM of SA (White Section) between 1908 and 1994, in Law and Religion in Africa (2015). Stellenbosch: Sun MeDIA, pp87-106.

1. **It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination requires participation in three annual sessions (April/May and November/December of three weeks and August of four weeks duration).**

**NOTE: I will officially retire in December 2017. I will be appointed on contract thereafter and will be able to negotiate my teaching periods.** [↑](#footnote-ref-1)