Annex II

Biographical data form of candidates to human rights treaty bodies

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return it electronically in word format**)

**Name and First Name**: Ashshowwaf, Saied A.

**Date and Place Of Birth**: 21 May 1947 (Qatif, Saudi Arabia)

**Working** **Languages**: Arabic, English, and beginner French

**Current Position/Function**:

(5 lines maximum)

Currently a Member of the Council at Saudi Human Rights Commission and Chairperson of Civil and Political Rights Committee. His extensive work in the area of Human Rights and specifically the elimination of discriminatory practices against a broad spectrum of themes has led to his appointment as an Independent Eminent Expert to follow the implementation of the provisions of the Durban Declaration and Program of Action.

**Main Professional Activities**:[[1]](#footnote-1)

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As a member of the Saudi Human Rights Commission, Dr. Ashshowwaf attends Council meetings and reviews issues related to human rights protection, promotion, education and implementation of international and legal human rights standards, he participates in preparing periodical reports about the status of Human Rights treaties of which Saudi Arabia is a State Party, including Saudi Arabia’s national report to the Universal Periodic Review at the Human Rights Council in Geneva. He is currently the Chair of the Committee for Civil and Political Rights at the Commission and maintains membership in working groups which coordinate national and international issues related to human rights. Dr. Ashshowwaf assists the Saudi Human Rights Commission in preparing and implementing institutional and national strategies/action plans. He also lectures and facilitates workshops on the topic of national and international efforts to combat racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.

**Educational background**:

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Ph.D. in Public Administration (Development Administration and Administrative Behavior) from State University of New York at Albany (1985), and an MPA in Public Administration (Policy Analysis and Human Resources and Organizational Development from the American University in Washington D.C (1982). He has a BSc in Criminal Justice and English Literature from University of Southern Colorado in Pueblo Colordo, USA (1977). Additionally, he has several Post-Doctoral Certifications from institutions such as Yale University, Harvard University and George Washington University in Washington D.C.

**Other Main Activities in the Field Relevant to the Mandate of the Treaty Body Concerned**:

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Dr. Ashshowwaf has extensive international and national experience in international affairs and human rights. Most notably, Dr. Ashshowwaf is appointed as a United Nations Independent Eminent Expert to follow up the implementation of Durban Declaration and Program of Action. He has also participated annually in the preparation, presentation and discussion of the Saudi National Periodic Report of the Human Rights Treaty to Eliminate All Forms of Racial Discrimination, and in the discussion of Freedom of Religion with the Independent International United States Committee for Freedom of Religion. Additionally, Dr. Ashshowwaf was a participant in the discussion of the USA Human Rights Reports in Saudi Arabia with the USA Team.

**List of Most Recent Publications in the Field**:

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* The Rights to Healthcare, The Rights Journal, No. 11, May 2015.
* Human Rights and 2030 SDGs, Yamamah University, 16 March 2017.
* National and International Efforts to Protect and Promote Human Rights: 70 Years Celebration of the International Human Rights Declaration, SHRC, Riyadh, 2018
* Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance at Work Place, SHRC, Riyadh, 2018. National Human Rights Strategy and Action Plan, Riyadh 2018.
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). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)