***APPLICATION DEADLINE: 13 APRIL 2021 AT 12 noon GENEVA TIME***

* *The application process consists of two compulsory parts:****(1) online survey[[1]](#footnote-1)*** *(*[*https://ohchr-survey.unog.ch/index.php/977314*](https://ohchr-survey.unog.ch/index.php/977314)*)*

*and****(2) application form in Word format[[2]](#footnote-2)*** *(to be downloaded from* [*https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/HRC47.aspx*](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/HRC47.aspx)*)*

* *Once fully completed, in English or French only, the Word application form should be submitted by email to* [*hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org*](mailto:hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org)
* *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* [*regional groups*](https://www.un.org/dgacm/content/regional-groups) *for which specific vacancies have been advertised.*
* *General description of the selection process and answers to frequently asked questions are available at* [*https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx*](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/Nominations.aspx) *and* [*https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/BasicInformationSelectionIndependentExperts.aspx*](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/SP/Pages/BasicInformationSelectionIndependentExperts.aspx)
* *In case of technical difficulties or problems with accessing or completing the forms, you may contact the Secretariat by email (*[*hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org*](mailto:hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org)*) or fax (+41 22 917 9008).*

**I. PERSONAL DATA**

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| **1. Family (last) name:** Samar | **5. Year of birth:** 1957 |
| **2. First (given) name:** Sima | **6. Place of birth:** Ghazni , Afghanistan |
| **3. Other name, if any:** None | **7. Nationality (please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates):** Afghan |
| **4. Gender:** Female | **8. Any other nationality:** No other Nationality |

**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.)**

Medical Doctor and worked for more than fourty years on Human rights. English is the language I can communicate .

1. **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.)**

Long time Human Rights and Women's Rights deffender, Chairperson of Afghanistan Independent Human rights Commission,for 17 years and SR on the situation of Human Rights in sudan from sep 2005 to 2009.

1. **ESTABLISHED** **COMPETENCE** (200 words limit)

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

As well known Human Rights defferenders , Chairperson of Afghanistan Human Rights Commission with ( A ) status from 2002 until 20019 and SR on the situation of Human Rights in Sudan.

1. **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.**

* 1. **Enter three publications in relation to the mandate applied for, in the order of relevance:**

1. **Title of publication:** Reports of Human Rights Situation in Afghanistan, and a unique National Consultation on transtional justice. A call for Justice, January 2005.

**Journal/Publisher:** Afghanistan Independet Human Rights Commission on transtional justice. So many theatic reports and National inquaries on criticle human rights abuses such as Bacha Bazi nad honor killings and Rape.

**Date of publication:** 2003- 20019

**Web link, if available:** www.aihrc.org.af

**2. Title of publication:** Report on the situation of Human rights in Sudan

**Journal/Publisher:** OHCHR

**Date of publication:** 2005 - 2009

**Web link, if available:** ohchr website, special procedure

**3. Title of publication:** Short articles on human rights and Trasitional justice.

**Journal/Publisher:** Colambia University Journal

**Date of publication:** 2020

**Web link, if available:** Do not remember

**If more than three publications, kindly summarize** (200 words limit):

* 1. **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:**

**1. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:** Human Rights Council , UN General Assembly

**Event organizer:** UN

**Date on which public statement/pronouncement made:** HRC

**Web link, if available:** Human rights Council Website

**2. Platform/occasion/event on which public statement/pronouncement made:** Security council , different conferences around the world.

**Event organizer:** UN and diffeent other countries.

**Date on which public statement/pronouncement made:** 2002, 20019

**Web link, if available:** UN and most of the diffeent institutions.

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

**Event organizer:** APF and South asian countries.

**Date on which public statement/pronouncement made:** Several time.

**Web link, if available:** APF website

**If more than three, kindly summarize** (200 words limit):A lot more on issues of human rights in the region and in global Forum including on CS and deathpenalties etc.

1. **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”.**

Yes I have done it before and ready for the job.

1. **NOMINATION FOR THE MANDATE**

**Indicate whether the candidate has been nominated by (check all that apply):**

**Individual nominations (indicate this if the candidate is self-nominating)**

**Governments**

**Regional groups operating within the United Nations human rights systems**

**International organizations or their offices**

**Non-governmental organizations**

**National human rights institutions**

**Other human rights bodies**

**Name of the nominating entity and additional information about the nomination (use if applicable, for third-party nominations only)** (200 words limit)**:**

Self Nomination

**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.)

Having worked for forty years as ahuman rights deffender, served as Afghanistan's first ever female Vice President, minister of Women's Affairs, Chairperson for the Afghanistan Independet human rights Commission , UN Sepecial Rapporture on the situation of Human rights in Sudan, Worked closely alongside the OHCHR, HRC and in close Coolaboration with previous and current SRSGs in Afghanistan.

I begun my career as a medical doctor as conflict exacerbated, I was forced to be IDP and later foreced to leave the country and being refugee for 17 years in Pakistan. Serving the Afghanistan most isolated and marginalized people, particualrly women providing health and education in Pakistan.I expanded the health and education for women and children in very remote part of the country inside Afghanistan with great personal risk.But continued to be an outspoken about women's rights and violation of human rights by all parties involved in the conflict, regionaly and internationaly and strongly advocate for inclusion of women in the post Taliban government.

In 23 years of conflict in Afghanistan women were non existent within the public space and most of the prominent warloards in power, I firmly advocated for birdging gender gap and promotiong gender equality, transtional justice and accounability as one of the tool for sustainable peace and end the culture of impunity for international crimes committed in Afghanistan.This lead to my appointment as Voice Chair to the Emergecy Loya Jirga, which was a turing point in Afghan history. My vocal and active presence as a female in the public space challenged partraarcal norms that premeated Afghan sciety throughout the years of war and offer a new visualisation and conception of the role Afghan women could play as competent ,active and meaningful actors within the social political and economic restucturing of Afghanistan .

My role as UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human rights in Sudan allowed me to employ my expertise and insight on state conflict, faragile state building and ethnic conflict , I was able to understand the Sudan situation during my mission because of my

personal experience with funamentalism and warlardisim in my own country.

As Chairperson of AIHRC with (A) status under GHANRI as the country leading institution promotion, protecting and monitoring of human rights abuses throughout my 17 years tenure. I was able to lead over five hundred staffers in 14 regional and provincial offices , to maintain utmost professionalism and pluralism within the much devided people based on ethnicity and Jehadi mentality.At the core of my work was operating with intigrity , respect for the ideal of universal human rights and sharing common vision to generate shared value for all Afghans.These ideals facilitated strong trust building amongst national and international stakeholders, postioning the Commission as the most respected institution in Afghanistan.

Under my tenure the AIHRC established multiple reports and national inquaries and by strong advocacy criminalized forced virginity test, Bacha bazi, private prisons, domostic violence against women and so many other crimes which was counted normal in the country.

Afghanistan is one of the most dangrous country in the world for women, to survve in such environment, give me the courage to apply for the mentioned position.

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

**Please indicate all language skills below.**

**1. Mother tongue:** **Persian**

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

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

**Read:** Easily orNot easily: **yes**  
**Write:** Easily or Not easily: **no  
Speak:** Easily or Not easily: **no**

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

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Write:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Speak:** Easily or not easily: **no**

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

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

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

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Write:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Speak:** Easily or not easily: **no**

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

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Write:** Easily or not easily: **no   
Speak:** Easily or not easily: **no**

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

**Read:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Write:** Easily or not easily: **no  
Speak:** Easily or not easily: **no**

**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.**

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| **Name of degree, field of study and name of academic institution, full or part-time:** | **Years of attendance**  (provide a range from-to, for example 1999-2003;  for ongoing education, please put e.g. 2018-present): | **Place and country:** |
| MD | 1975-1982 | Kabul Afghanistan |
| Honrary PhD | 2004 | Alberta university Canada |
| Honraray PhD | 2010 | Carilton Unversity Canda |
| Honarary PhD | 2009 | Brown university USA |
| Honrary PhD | 2012 | Saleem University USA |

**VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

**NOTE: Please briefly list ALL RELEVANT professional positions held in the area of human rights, beginning with the candidate’s current (most recent) occupation.** **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.**

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| **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  and country:** |
| Chairperson of AIHRC | 2002-20019 | Afghanistan |
| Special Envoy and state minister of human rights | july 2019 - december 2020 | Afghanistan |
| Member of High Level advisory Board of the UNSG | 2019 -2021 | Afghanistan |
| Memver of the High Level for International Displacement of UNSG | 2020 -2021 | Aghanistan |
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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.**

No

**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 (**[**hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org**](mailto:hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org)**).**

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

**Name:** Sima Samar

**Date:** 6/4/21

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1. 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. The same name, gender and nationality must be used both in the online survey and in the Word application form. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 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. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)