



Resolution 1082 (1996)¹

Procedure for examining candidatures for the election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Parliamentary Assembly

1. Protocol No. 11 to the European Convention on Human Rights is expected to be ratified by all Contracting Parties to the Convention in the course of 1996, in which case it will enter into force a year later, probably in the course of 1997.
2. The protocol will introduce a single European Court of Human Rights on a permanent basis in Strasbourg to replace the existing Commission and Court. It will preserve, in essence, the proceedings and guarantees under the Convention. The judges (one in respect of each Contracting Party - as against one for each member state at present) will be elected by the Assembly for a period of six years (nine years at present) from a list of three candidates proposed by the Contracting Party concerned.
3. Now that a single Court is to be set up on a fully professional basis, with judges residing permanently in Strasbourg, the Assembly wishes to improve its own procedure for the selection of candidates from a list of three names proposed by the Contracting Party concerned.
4. Undoubtedly, it would be useful if the information to be provided by the candidates was presented systematically and on broadly similar lines to facilitate comparison between them. For this reason a model curriculum vitae should be established and sent to each candidate, who will complete the document as part of his or her submission of candidature. The model curriculum vitae which is attached forms an integral part of this resolution.
5. The Assembly shall undertake to call upon candidates to participate in a personal interview, to be organised in Strasbourg by the Sub-Committee on Human Rights or by an ad hoc sub-committee of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights.
6. Finally, the Assembly calls upon all member states of the Council of Europe and upon all candidates to the new European Court of Human Rights to co-operate with this new procedure which should considerably improve the system of the election of judges by the Assembly.

1. Assembly debate on 22 April 1996 (9th Sitting) (see [Doc.7439Doc.7439](#), report of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights, rapporteur: Lord Kirkhill). Text adopted by the Assembly on 22 April 1996 (9th Sitting).



Appendix

Model curriculum vitae for candidates seeking election to the European Court of Human Rights

In order to ensure that the members of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe have comparable information at their disposal when electing judges to the European Court of Human Rights, candidates are invited to submit curriculum vitae on the following lines.

I. Personal details

Name, forename

Sex

Date and place of birth

Nationality/ies

II. Education and academic and other qualifications

III. Professional activities

a.Details of judicial activities

b.Details of non-judicial legal activities

c.Details of all non-legal professional activities

IV. Activities and experience in the field of human rights

V. Political activities

- Posts held in a political party

- Duration

- Membership of parliament

VI. Other activities

- Field

- Duration

- Functions

VIII. Languages

(Indicate degree of fluency: speaking, reading, writing)

a.Mother tongue

b.Official languages

- English

- French

c.Other languages

IX. Other relevant information