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**Vacancy at the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference
(beginning between 15 May and 1 July 2011)**

The Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law presents its compliments to the Diplomatic Missions of the Members and to the National and Contact Organs and has the honour to inform them that, by reason of a vacancy as a result of the expected retirement of one of the staff members as of 30 June 2011, a post as a staff member at the diplomatic level will be open at the Permanent Bureau of the Conference, beginning between 15 May and 1 July 2011 for a lawyer with good knowledge of private international law.

According to Article 5 of the Statute,

- (1) *The Permanent Bureau shall have its seat at The Hague. It shall be composed of a Secretary General and four Secretaries who shall be appointed by the Government of the Netherlands upon presentation by the Standing Government Committee.*
- (2) *The Secretary General and the Secretaries must possess appropriate legal knowledge and practical experience. In their appointment account shall also be taken of diversity of geographic representation and of legal expertise.*
- (3) *The number of Secretaries may be increased after consultation with the Council and in accordance with Article 10.*

The number of Secretaries has been raised to five since 2008.

The Netherlands Standing Government Committee, instituted by Royal Decree of 20 February 1897, with a view to promoting the codification of private international law, has begun the procedure for recruitment of a highly qualified new official and for this purpose has drawn up a profile for the candidacy, which is annexed hereto for information.

Written applications with an extensive *curriculum vitae* including publications, should be addressed to the Secretary General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law, before 1 October 2010, at the address indicated below.

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The candidates whose applications are retained will be invited to an interview with the members of a special committee named by the President of the Netherlands Standing Government Committee.

The Permanent Bureau avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Diplomatic Missions of the Members and to the National and Contact Organs assurances of its highest consideration and esteem.

THE HAGUE, 12 July 2010

./ Attachment mentioned.

To the Diplomatic Missions of the Members
To the National and Contact Organs