

## Second Part: Word APPLICATION FORM FOR SPECIAL PROCEDURES MANDATE HOLDERS

### Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

How to start the application process:

- The application process has been split into 2 parts, the first part is a Web-based survey and the second part is an application form in word which can be downloaded, completed and returned by email. Both parts and all sections of the application form should be filled in for the application to be processed.

The **first part**, i.e. the [Web-based survey](#) is used to collect information for statistical purposes such as personal data (i.e. name, gender, nationality), contact details, mandate/s applying for and nominating entity. **The web-based survey should only be completed once**, i.e. multiple selection allowed to indicate if the candidate is applying for more than one mandates.

This is the **second part, i.e.** of the application form in Word which can be downloaded, completed and saved in word format and then submitted as an attachment by email. Information provided in this form, includes a motivation letter of maximum 600 words, will be used as received to prepare the public list of candidates who applied for each vacancy and will be made available to concerned parties, including through the OHCHR Internet.

Once completed the application form in Word should be submitted by email to [hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org](mailto:hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org)

If the candidate is applying for more than one mandates, an application form needs to be completed and sent for each mandate.

- A maximum of 3 reference letters can be attached, in pdf format, to the application sent by email. No additional document is required.
- **Application Deadline: 31 OCTOBER 2013 (midnight, GMT).**
- Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed at a later stage.

If encountering technical difficulties, you may contact us by email: [hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org](mailto:hrcspecialprocedures@ohchr.org) or fax: + 41 22 917 9011

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**I. PERSONAL DATA**

Family Name: Schabas	Sex: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
First Name: William	Date of birth ( d-MMM-yy): 19-Nov-50
Maiden name (if any):	Place of birth: Cleveland, USA
Middle name: Anthony	Nationality(please indicate the nationality that will appear on the public list of candidates): Irish
	Any other nationality: Canadian

**II. MANDATE - SPECIFIC COMPETENCE/QUALIFICATION/KNOWLEDGE**

**NOTE: Please describe why the candidate's competence/qualifications/knowledge is relevant in relation to the specific mandate:**

<p>QUALIFICATIONS (200 words) 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 official languages of the United Nations (i.e. Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish.)</p>	<p>Candidate is a specialist in international human rights law, international criminal law and international humanitarian law. Candidate writes and lectures regularly in both English and French.</p>
<p>RELEVANT EXPERTISE (200 words) 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. (Please state how this was</p>	<p>Author of more than 25 books and 300 academic journal articles in the field of human rights on subjects such as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, capital punishment, genocide and international criminal justice. Counsel in cases before the European Court of Human Rights. Has delivered lectures on human rights subjects in more than fifty countries. Member of Sierra Leone Truth and Reconciliation Commission.</p>

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<p>acquired). Proven work experience in the field of human rights. (Please state years of experience.</p>	<p>Member and chair, United Nations Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in Human Rights.</p>
<p><b>ESTABLISHED COMPETENCE</b> (200 words) Nationally, regionally or internationally recognized competence related to human rights. (Please explain how such competence was acquired).</p>	<p>Candidate is recognised internationally as an authority in the field of human rights, international criminal law and international humanitarian law. Candidate has worked as an academic in the field for more than two decades. In addition, candidate has much relevant 'field experience', having conducted fact-finding missions for NGOs and having served the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in various functions.</p>
<p><b>FLEXIBILITY/READINESS AND AVAILABILITY OF TIME</b> (200 words) to perform effectively the functions of the mandate and to respond to its requirements, including participating in Human Rights Council sessions in Geneva and General Assembly sessions in New York, travelling on special procedures visits, drafting reports and engaging with a variety of stakeholders. (Indicate whether candidate can dedicate an estimated total of approx. three months per year to the work of a mandate)</p>	<p>Candidate is familiar with the requirements of the post in terms of time and availability and is confident this can be coordinated with his university teaching responsibilities.</p>

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

**Please indicate all language skills**

<b>Languages</b>	<b>Read</b>		<b>Write</b>		<b>Speak</b>	
	<b>Easily</b>	<b>Not Easily</b>	<b>Easily</b>	<b>Not Easily</b>	<b>Easily</b>	<b>Not Easily</b>
<b>Arabic</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Chinese</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>English</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>French</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Russian</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Spanish</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Mother tongue:</b> _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**IV. Motivation Letter (600 word limit)**

The mandate of special rapporteur on the occupied Palestinian territories has proven to be one of the most sensitive and delicate of the special procedures. What I bring to the table is a level of expertise in the relevant legal sources, that is, international humanitarian law, international criminal law and international human rights. A very high standard of legal precision in these areas is important for the credibility of the mandate. Although controversy is inevitable, the 'stakeholders', States and international civil society must have a high level of confidence in the accuracy of the special rapporteur's observations, findings and legal qualifications.

The contribution that the special rapporteur can make in terms of the protection of the population in the occupied territories will be enhanced by an ability to interact in a constructive manner with the Occupying Power. Although a difficult task, especially in light of recent developments, efforts should continue in an attempt to create some level of communication and dialogue as the landscape continues to evolve, transformed by changes in the region and political developments within Palestine, Israel and beyond.

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**V. EDUCATIONAL RECORD**

**NOTE: Please list the candidate's academic qualifications: (university  
level and higher)**

<b>Name of degree and name of academic institution</b>	<b>Years of Attendance</b>	<b>Place and Country</b>
Université de Montréal, LLD	1990-1993	Montréal, Canada
Université de Montréal, LLM	1987-1990	Montréal, Canada
Université de Montréal, LLB	1980-1983	Montréal, Canada
Université de Toronto, BA and MA	1968-1973	Toronto, Canada

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**VI. EMPLOYMENT RECORD**

**NOTE: Please briefly list ALL RELEVANT professional positions held,  
beginning with the most recent one:**

Name of Employer Functional Title Main functions of position	Years of Attendance/ Work	Place and Country
Middlesex University, London Professor of international Law	2010- present	London, UK
Leiden University Professor of international criminal law and human rights	2012- present	Leiden, the Netherla nds
National University of Ireland Galway Director, Irish Centre for Human Rights Professor of human rights law	2000-2011	Galway, Ireland
Université du Québec à Montréal Director, Département des sciences juridiques Professor of law	1991-2000	Montréal, Canada

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**VII. COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICS AND INTEGRITY PROVISIONS (of  
Council Resolution 5/1)**

1. To your knowledge, does the candidate have any official, professional, personal, or financial relationships that might cause him/her to limit the extent of their 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 his/her mandate? If yes, please explain:

No.

3. Is there any reason, currently or in that 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 she/he discharges his 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?

*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.



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5. Should the candidate be appointed as a mandate holder, he/she 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.

This paragraph is not currently applicable as the candidate does not currently occupy any such position that might give rise to a conflict of interest or accumulation of human rights functions. If appointed as mandate holder, the candidate will not take up any positions that would place him in a conflict of interest not will he accept any other human rights functions that would give rise to an accumulation of such functions.

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Thank you for your interest.