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## ***ICC Withdrawals: Is Africa Running Away from Justice?***

*Co-hosted by the Southern Africa Litigation Centre (SALC) and Africa Legal Aid (AFLA)*

**\*Interpretation in French and English**

**\*Refreshments**

In October 2016 South Africa and Burundi wrote to the United Nations Secretary General announcing their intention to withdraw from the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. On 26 October Gambia announced that it will also withdraw. This unfortunate development triggered questions about an African mass withdrawal from the ICC and raised great concern about the future of international criminal justice in Africa.

To shed light on these developments the Southern Africa Litigation Centre (SALC) and Africa Legal Aid (AFLA) will host a side event at the 15th Session at the Assembly of States Parties to the ICC.

**When:** 18 November 2016

**Time:** 16:30-18:30

**Venue:** Africa Room, World Forum, The Hague, The Netherlands

**Topic:** 'ICC Withdrawals: Is Africa Running Away from Justice?'

### PANEL

**Moderator: Evelyn A. Ankumah**

Executive Director, Africa Legal Aid (AFLA)

**Justice Richard Goldstone**

First Prosecutor of the ICTY and ICTR

*Keynote: The Future of the ICC and the Role of African States*

**Angela Mudukuti**

International Criminal Justice Lawyer at SALC

*South Africa's withdrawal from the Rome Statute*

**Lambert Nigarura**

National Burundi Coalition for the International Criminal Court

*Burundi's withdrawal from the Rome Statute*