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Hansjoerg Strohmeyer joined OCHA in December 1998. He has been the Chief of OCHA's Policy Development and Studies Branch since 2007. In this capacity, he also served as Secretary of the Secretary-General's High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Crisis in 2008.

Mr. Strohmeyer returned recently from a 12-month assignment as Chief of Staff and subsequent Special Adviser of Border Management and Arms Proliferation to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General with the United Nations Support Mission in Libya. He joined the mission in August 2011.

From 2002 to 2006 he was Chief of Staff to the Emergency Response Coordinator/Under-Secretary-General of OCHA and oversaw the Inter-Agency Standing Committee/UN Executive Committee on Humanitarian Affairs secretariat until 2005.

Mr. Strohmeyer joined the United Nations in 1996. Until 1998 he worked on the war crimes portfolio within the Office of the High Representative in Sarajevo/Bosnia. He has since held senior positions in several United Nations political and peacekeeping missions, including Lebanon, Sudan, Kosovo, East Timor and Liberia. He also visited numerous other field missions, including Zimbabwe, Afghanistan, Iraq, the Middle East and Ethiopia. In 1997 and 1998 he was a member of the German delegation to the International Criminal Court preparatory proceedings and the Rome Conference.

Mr. Strohmeyer was born in Mannheim, Germany, in 1962. He completed his academic education with degrees in law and political science. From 1991 to 1996 he served as a trial judge in Dusseldorf, Germany. He is married and has one daughter.

He is the author of several academic publications including "Collapse and Reconstruction of a Judicial System: The United Nations Missions in Kosovo and East Timor", American Journal of International Law, January 2001.