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In 2011, Ms. Benchimol received her Master's degree from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, where she graduated with honors for academic excellence.

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