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International Criminal Court

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No.: ICC-01/04-01/06 Date: 6 March 2007

THE PRESIDENCY

Before: Judge Philippe Kirsch, President

Judge Akua Kuenyehia, First Vice-President Judge René Blattmann, Second Vice-President

Registrar: Mr Bruno Cathala

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. THOMAS LUBANGA DYILO

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Decision constituting Trial Chamber I and referring to it the case of The Prosecutor v Thomas Lubanga Dyilo

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THE PRESIDENCY of the International Criminal Court ("the Court"),

NOTING the decision of Pre-Irial Chamber I, dated 29 January 2007, confirming the

charges brought by the Prosecutor of the Court against Mr Lubanga Dyilo and

committing him for trial ("the decision confirming the charges"),1

NOTING articles 36, 38 and 39 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal

Court ("the Statute");

CONSIDERING article 61(11) of the Statute, pursuant to which the Presidency shall

constitute a Trial Chamber once the charges have been confirmed, which shall be

responsible for the conduct of subsequent proceedings,

CONSIDERING rule 130 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the International

Criminal Court ("the Rules"), pursuant to which the Presidency shall refer the case to

a Trial Chamber and transmit to it the decision confirming the charges and the record

of the proceedings of the Pre-Trial Chamber;

CONSIDERING that the record of the proceedings before Pre-Trial Chamber I and

the decision confirming the charges was transmitted, by the Registrar, to the

Presidency on 14 February 2007, in accordance with rule 129 of the Rules;²

CONSIDERING the decision of the Presidency, dated 27 February 2007, to suspend

transmission of the record of proceedings of Pre-Trial Chamber I to a Trial Chamber,

until such time as new Defence Counsel is assigned to Mr Lubanga Dyilo and it is

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determined that he/she has had adequate time to familiarise him/herself with the case,"

HEREBY CONSTITUTES the following Trial Chamber with immediate effect.

Trial Chamber I

Judge Elizabeth Odio Benito

Judge René Blattmann

Judge Adrian Fultord

HEREBY REFERS the case against Mr Lubanga Dyilo to Trial Chamber I and,

HEREBY DECIDES to suspend transmission of the record of proceedings of Pre-Trial Chamber I to Trial Chamber I, until such time as new Defence Counsel is assigned to Mr Lubanga Dyilo and it is determined that he/she has had adequate time to familiarise him/herself with the case

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Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.

Judge Philippe Kirsch President

Dated this 6 March 2007 At The Hague, The Netherlands