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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Sylvia Steiner, Single Judge

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR

v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui

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Decision on the Request for Leave to Reply

Decision to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations of the Court to:

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Legal Representatives of the Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparation

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Victims

The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence

States Representatives

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Ms Silvana Arbia

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Other

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I, Judge Sylvia Steiner, judge at the International Criminal Court ("the Court");

NOTING the "Defence Motion seeking the Amendment of the Document containing

the Charges" ("the Defence for Germain Katanga's Request"), filed as urgent by the

Defence for Germain Katanga on 9 June 2008;

NOTING the "Requête de la Défense de Monsieur Mathieu Ngudjolo en vue de solliciter la

suppression du paragraphe 92 du document relatif à la notification des charges en application

de l'Article 61-3-a du Statut"² ("the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui's Request"),

filed by the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui on 10 June 2008;

NOTING the "Requête de la Défense de Mathieu Ngudjolo en vue de faire sienne les points

a (à l'exclusion des faits spécifiques à Mr Katanga), b, c, d et e contenus dans la « Defence

Motion Seeking the Amendment of the Document containing the Charges » déposée par

l'équipe de Défense de Germain Katanga le 9 juin 2008"³ ("the Defence for Mathieu

Ngudjolo Chui's Submission"), filed by the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui on

10 June 2008, whereby the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui joined the Defence

for Germain Katanga's Request in relation to points (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e)

enumerated and developed therein;

NOTING the "Prosecution's Consolidated Response to the Defences' Motions

Regarding the Document Containing the Charges"⁴ ("the Prosecution's Response")

filed by the Prosecution on 13 June 2008, whereby the Prosecution requested the

¹ ICC-01/04-01/07-574 and its Annex

² ICC-01/04-01/07-575-Conf (reclassified as public pursuant to an oral decision rendered on 10 June 2008 - ICC-01/04-01/07-T-35-ENG ET WT10-06-2008, p 4, lines 5-14)

3 ICC-01/04-01/07-577

⁴ ICC-01/04-01/07-590 and its annex

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Chamber to dismiss the submitted that Defence for Germain Katanga's Request and

the two Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui's Requests;

NOTING the "Requête de la Défense de Monsieur Mathieu Ngudjolo afin de répliquer à la

réponse consolidée du Procureur relative au document détaillé des charges"⁵ filed by the

Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui on 17 June 2008;

NOTING regulations 24 (5) and 34 of the Regulations of the Court ("the

Regulations");

CONSIDERING that, in the view of the Single Judge, the argument raised by the

Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui in its application leads to the conclusion that

leave to reply must be granted;

CONSIDERING that the Single Judge is of the view that the Defence for Germain

Katanga should also have the opportunity to reply to the response of the Prosecution

within the time limit set out in the present decision;

CONSIDERING further that, according to the chapeau of regulation 34 of the

Regulations, the Single Judge may establish a time-limit other than the 10-day time

limit provided for in regulation 34 (c) of the Regulations;

⁵ ICC-01/04-01/07-599

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FOR THESE REASONS,

DECIDE to give both Defences for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui and Germain Katanga until Friday 20 June 2008 at 16h00 to reply to the Prosecution Response;

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

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Dated this Tuesday 17 June 2008 At The Hague, The Netherlands