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No.: **ICC-01/05-01/08**  
Date: **3 September 2008**

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III**

**Before:** Judge **Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, Presiding Judge**  
Judge **Hans-Peter Kaul, Judge**  
Judge **Ekaterina Trendafilova, Judge**

**SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC**  
***IN THE CASE OF***  
***THE PROSECUTOR***  
***v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO***

**Public Document**

**Decision to Unseal Certain Documents**

**Decision/Order/Judgment to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court* to:**

**The Office of the Prosecutor**

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**Legal Representatives of the Victims**

**Legal Representatives of the Applicants**

**Unrepresented Victims**

**Unrepresented Applicants for  
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for  
Victims**

**The Office of Public Counsel for the  
Defence**

**States' Representatives**

**Amicus Curiae**

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**Detention Section**

**Victims Participation and Reparations  
Section**

**Other**

1. **PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III** (“the Chamber”) of the International Criminal Court (“the Court”) intends to unseal certain documents in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*;
2. On 25 August 2008, the Single Judge<sup>1</sup> held a status conference<sup>2</sup> during which the Prosecutor was asked whether he objected to making public three geographic maps of Bangui and one map of the Central African Republic featuring in annexes 7 and 8 to the “Prosecutor’s Application for Warrant of Arrest under Article 58”.<sup>3</sup>
3. The Chamber notes articles 57(3)(c), 67 and 68(1) of the *Rome Statute*, rule 15 of the *Rules of Procedure and Evidence*, regulations 8(c) and 23bis of the *Regulations of the Court* and regulation 14 of the *Regulations of the Registry*.
4. In accordance with regulation 23 bis of the *Regulations of the Court*, the Chamber considers that the classification under seal *ex parte* only available to the Prosecutor is no longer necessary since these maps are in the public domain and do not reveal any information about ongoing investigations.

#### **FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER DECIDES**

**to unseal** the following documents which are made public:

- 1) ICC-01/05-01/08-26-US-Exp-Anx 7A;
- 2) ICC-01/05-01/08-26-US-Exp-Anx 7B;
- 3) ICC-01/05-01/08-26-US-Exp-Anx 7C;

<sup>1</sup> ICC-01/05-01/08-53, *Decision Designating a Single Judge for the Period from 1 to 31 August 2008*.

<sup>2</sup> ICC-01/05-01/08-T-4-CONF-EXP-ENG ET, p.75, lines 20-25 and p. 76, lines 1-3. The Chamber is of the opinion that merely disclosing the existence of a closed session status conference, the transcript of which is confidential, without however disclosing the contents thereof does not undermine the confidentiality of that hearing.

<sup>3</sup> ICC-01/05-01/08-26-US-Exp.

4) ICC-01/05-01/08-26-US-Exp-Anx 8.

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

[signed]

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**Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra**  
**Presiding Judge**

[signed] 3/9/08

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**Judge Hans-Peter Kaul**  
**Judge**

[signed]

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**Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova**  
**Judge**

Dated this 3 September 2008

At The Hague, the Netherlands