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## PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Akua Kuenyehia, Presiding Judge

Judge Anita Ušacka Judge Sylvia Steiner

## SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR

v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui

Public Document Urgent

Order to the Registrar to Submit a Report Concerning the Defence Request of 15 October 2008

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

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**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** 

## **REGISTRY**

Registrar

Ms Silvana Arbia

**Defence Support Section** 

Victims and Witnesses Unit

**Detention Section** 

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Other

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I** of the International Criminal Court ("the Chamber" and "the Court", respectively);

**NOTING** the status conferences held on the 3 June 2008<sup>1</sup> and 19 June 2008,<sup>2</sup> and the respective submissions of the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui<sup>3</sup>, the Defence for Germain Katanga<sup>4</sup> and the Registrar on family visits;<sup>5</sup>

**NOTING** the oral ruling of the Single Judge, ordering the Registrar to provide a report on the measures undertaken to facilitate the issuance of passports or any alternative documents to the family members of Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui and Germain Katanga;<sup>6</sup>

**NOTING** the "Rapport du Greffe sur l'état d'avancement des demandes de passeports pour les familles des personnes détenues pour les besoins des visites familiales" filed by the Registrar on 23 June 2008;

**NOTING** the confirmation hearing in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga* and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui which took place from the 27 June 2008 to 16 July 2008;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-31-ENG ET WT 03-06-2008.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-36-ENG ET WT 19-06-2008.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-31-ENG ET WT 03-06-2008 at p. 6, line 21 to p. 7, line 6; ICC-01/04-01/07-T-36-ENG ET WT 19-06-2008 at p. 9, lines 8-12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-31-ENG ET WT 03-06-2008 at p. 6, lines 13-19; ICC-01/04-01/07-T-36-ENG ET WT 19-06-2008 at p. 9, line 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-31-ENG ET WT 03-06-2008 at p. 7, lines 10-23; ICC-01/04-01/07-T-36-ENG ET WT 19-06-2008 at p. 9, lines 14-18, 23-25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-T-36-ENG ET WT 19-06-2008 at p. 10, lines 1-6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-629-Conf and its confidential ex parte annex.

NOTING the "Requête de la Défense en vue de solliciter de la Chambre Préliminaire d'obtenir de la République Démocratique du Congo sa diligente coopération en vue de la délivrance immédiate aux membres de la famille (épouse et enfants) de Monsieur Mathieu Ngudjolo des passeports et ou de tout autre document de voyage officiel leur permettant de faire le déplacement de La Haye (Pays-Bas) pour rendre visite à leur mari et père" filed by

the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui on 10 September 2008;

**NOTING** the "Order to the Registrar to Submit a Report Concerning the Defence Request of 10 September 2008" issued by the Chamber on 19 September 2008;

**NOTING** the "Deuxième rapport du Greffe sur l'état d'avancement des demandes de passeports pour les familles des personnes détenues pour les besoins des visites familiales" <sup>10</sup> filed by the Registrar on 25 September 2008;

**NOTING** the "Decision on the confirmation of charges"<sup>11</sup> issued by the Chamber on 26 September 2008;

**NOTING** the "Defence Motion relative to the Family Visit" filed by the Defence for Germain Katanga on 15 October 2008;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-710.

<sup>9</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-712.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-715 and its confidential ex parte annex.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-716-Conf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-724.

NOTING article 57 of the Rome Statute, rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and

Evidence, regulations 24bis and 100 of the Regulations of the Court and regulation

179(1) of the Regulations of the Registry;

**CONSIDERING** that the Defence for Germain Katanga requests the Chamber to:

(i) order the Registrar to provide a further update on the situation;

(ii) request the co-operation of The Netherlands authorities in expediting

the process of obtaining the necessary visas;

(iii) order the Registrar to keep Germain Katanga fully informed, on a

weekly basis, of the progress of the situation;13

**CONSIDERING** that the Chamber finds that a third report from the Registrar on (i)

the status of measures taken by the Registrar to facilitate the issuance of visas for

Germain Katanga's family members; and (ii) any developments reported to the

Registrar in respect of the issuance of visas and other necessary documentation by

The Netherlands is necessary;

CONSIDERING that, taking into account the last Report of the Registry<sup>14</sup> as well as

the previous request made by the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui,15 a third

report from the Registry also in relation to family visits and issuance of visas for

family members of Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui is necessary;

<sup>13</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-724 at p. 3.

<sup>14</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-715 and its confidential ex parte annex.

<sup>15</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-710.

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## FOR THESE REASONS

**ORDERS** the Registrar to file in the record of the case by Monday 3 November 2008 at 16h00 a report on:

- (i) the status of measures taken by the Registrar to facilitate the issuance of visas for Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngdujolo Chui's family members; and
- (ii) any developments reported to the Registrar in respect of the issuance of visas and other necessary documentation.

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

Judge Akua Kuenyehia Presiding Judge

Judge Anita Ušacka

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Dated this Tuesday 21 October 2008

At The Hague, The Netherlands