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## PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

**Before:** 

Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Presiding Judge

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng

### SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

# IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR V. CALLIXTE MBARUSHIMANA

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Order to NFI to submit a report

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Mr Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor Ms Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor Mr Anton Steynberg, Senior Trial Lawyer **Counsel for the Defence** 

Mr Nicholas Kaufman Ms. Yael Vias-Gvirsman

**Legal Representatives of Victims** 

Legal Representatives of 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** 

### REGISTRY

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**Defence Support Section** 

Ms Silvana Arbia

Victims and Witnesses Unit

**Detention Section** 

**Victims Participation and Reparations** 

Other

Section

In the case of *The Prosecutor v. Callixte Mbarushimana*, Pre-Trial Chamber I of the International Criminal Court ("Chamber" and "Court" respectively) renders the following decision.

NOTING the "Prosecution's request for authorisation to conduct destructive analysis of corrupted disc" ("Request") filed by the Prosecutor on 27 April 2011<sup>1</sup>, whereby the Prosecutor submitted (on the basis of information received from the Netherlands Forensic Institute, "NFI") that there arose a unique investigative opportunity, given the need to perform a potentially destructive analysis on one of the discs ("Disc") provided by the French authorities and containing copies of intercepted communications originating from Mr Callixte Mbarushimana, which disc had proven to be corrupted and thus unreadable, with a view to retrieving the totality of the data contained therein;

**NOTING** the "Decision to hold consultations under rule 114" dated 28 April 2011<sup>2</sup>, which convened a hearing before the Chamber on Wednesday 4 May 2011 ("Hearing");

**NOTING** that, in view of the technical nature of the issue raised by the Prosecutor, representatives of the NFI were invited to attend the Hearing, together with the Prosecutor, the Defence and the Registry;

**NOTING** article 56 of the Rome Statute and rule 114 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence;

**NOTING** the submissions of the parties and participants at the Hearing, and notably of the participating experts from the NFI;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-122 and its Annex A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-126.

**NOTING,** in particular, that representatives of the NFI suggested that they may submit a report in which the different options for proceeding to the analysis of the Disc are detailed;

**CONSIDERING** that it is appropriate that the NFI prepare such report on an expedited basis, with a view to allowing the Chamber to take a decision as to the measures to be taken and the modalities of their implementation;

**CONSIDERING** that the NFI, insofar as it is an independent expert body within the Dutch Ministry of Justice with no connection to the Prosecutor, is in a position to perform the task entrusted to it by the Chamber;

#### FOR THESE REASONS

**INVITE** the NFI to perform a non-destructive preinvestigation on the corrupted disc and to submit a report detailing the different options available for proceeding to the analysis of the Disc by Monday 9 May 2011 at 12 hours.

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

Judge Cuno Tarfusser

**Presiding Judge** 

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng

Dated this Thursday, 5 May 2011, at The Hague, The Netherlands