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## **PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I**

**Before:** 

# Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, Single Judge

## SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

## IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR V. CALLIXTE MBARUSHIMANA

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Order requesting observations on the report from the Netherlands Forensic Institute

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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

**Unrepresented Victims** 

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for Victims

The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence Mr Xavier-Jean Keita

**States Representatives** 

Amicus Curiae

#### REGISTRY

**Registrar** Ms Silvana Arbia **Deputy Registrar** Mr Didier Preira

Victims and Witnesses Unit

**Detention Section** 

Victims Participation and Reparations Section Others

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**I, Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng,** the Single Judge of Pre-Trial Chamber I of the International Criminal Court ("Chamber" and "Court" respectively) responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber in relation to the case of *The Prosecutor v. Callixte Mbarushimana*;<sup>1</sup>

**NOTING** the "Prosecution's request for authorisation to conduct destructive analysis of corrupted disc" filed by the Prosecution on 27 April 2011,<sup>2</sup> whereby the Prosecution submits, *inter alia*, that a "destructive analysis" of a corrupted disc ("Disc") containing records of intercepted communications originating from phones attributed to Mr Callixte Mbarushimana needs to be conducted by the Netherlands Forensic Institute ("NFI") in order to recover the 14 % of the data stored on the disc, which are unreadable;

**NOTING** the "Decision to Hold Consultations under Rule 114", issued by Single Judge Cuno Tarfusser on 28 April 2011,<sup>3</sup> convening a hearing in order to determine the measures to be taken and the modalities of their implementation;

**NOTING** the hearing held on 4 May 2011, attended, *inter alia*, by representatives of the NFI;

**NOTING** the "Order to NFI to submit a report", issued by the Chamber on 5 May 2011 and inviting 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";<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Oral Decision of the Chamber, 28 January 2011, ICC-01/04-01/10-T-1-ENG, p. 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-122 and its Annex A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-126.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-136.

**NOTING** the "Extension of Deadline for Submission of NFI Report", issued by Single Judge Cuno Tarfusser on 9 May 2011, extending until 11 May 2011 the deadline for the submission of the report by the NFI;<sup>5</sup>

**NOTING** the "Investigation Proposal" submitted by the NFI on 11 May 2011,<sup>6</sup> whereby the NFI provides an overview of the "investigation possibilities" detailing four options and estimates of time required to complete each of them, as well as the fifth option of "no further investigation";

**NOTING** article 57 of the Rome Statute, rule 121 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules") and regulation 28(2) of the Regulations of the Court;

**CONSIDERING** that the NFI advises conducting three of the five investigation possibilities and indicates that it would complete them by 27 June 2011;

**CONSIDERING** that the hearing on the confirmation of the charges in the present case is scheduled to commence on 4 July 2011 and if the recovery of the data from the Disc were to be completed on 27 June 2011, the Prosecution would be unable to disclose evidence thus obtained to the Defence within the time limits set in rule 121 of the Rules;

**CONSIDERING** that the Parties should thus be consulted on the issue of the advisability of requesting further action from the NFI;

## FOR THESE REASONS,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-141.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> ICC-01/04-01/10-144-Anx, annexed to the "Registry Transmission of the Report from the Netherlands Forensic Institute", ICC-01/04-01/10-144.

**ORDER** the Prosecution and the Defence to submit by no later than Friday, 20 May 2011 observations on further action to be taken with respect to the Disc.

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



Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng

Single Judge

Dated this Tuesday, 17 May 2011

At The Hague, The Netherlands

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