Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

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Date: 28 September 2012

TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Sylvia Steiner, Presiding Judge

Judge Joyce Aluoch Judge Kuniko Ozaki

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

Public

Order setting an agenda for a status conference on issues related to the presentation of evidence by the defence

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda

Ms Petra Kneuer

Legal Representatives of the Victims

Ms Marie Edith Douzima-Lawson

Mr Assingambi Zarambaud

Unrepresented Victims

The Office of Public Counsel for

Victims

States Representatives

Counsel for the Defence

Mr Aimé Kilolo Musamba

Mr Peter Haynes

Legal Representatives the of

Applicants

Unrepresented **Applicants** for

Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for the

Defence

Amicus Curiae

Registrar

Ms Silvana Arbia

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Ms Maria Luisa Martinod-Jacome

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Defence Support Section

Detention Section

Other

Trial Chamber III ("Chamber") of the International Criminal Court in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo* delivers the following Order setting an agenda for a status conference on issues related to the presentation of evidence by the defence.

- 1. By email of 28 September 2012, ¹ the parties and participants were informed that the Chamber will hold a public status conference on Tuesday, 2 October 2012, starting at 9.30. Attendees shall include the Office of the Prosecutor, the defence, the legal representatives of victims as well as representatives of the Victims and Witnesses Unit ("VWU") and the Registry.
- 2. In order to facilitate preparation for this status conference by the attendees, the Chamber issues this agenda.
- 3. The following issues shall be addressed at the public status conference:
- (a) Measures to ensure the smooth presentation of evidence by the defence, avoiding gaps in the appearance of witnesses;
- (b) Possible changes in the order of appearance of defence witnesses in order to increase the efficiency of the proceedings;
- (c) Potential alternatives to live testimony in The Hague, including the organisation of *in situ* hearings or the presentation of testimony via video-link technology.
- 4. Following the public status conference, if considered necessary by the Chamber, the Chamber may hold an *ex parte* defence, VWU and Registry only status conference in order to consider specific aspects of the

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¹ Email from the Courtroom Officer to the parties and participants of 28 September 2012, at 11.45.

presentation of evidence by the defence that can not be addressed at the public hearing.

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

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Judge Joyce Aluoch

Judge Kuniko Ozaki

Dated this 28 September 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands