Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

Original: English No.: ICC-01/09-02/11

Date: 14 November 2012

## TRIAL CHAMBER V

Before: Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Presiding Judge

Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert

Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji

## SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. FRANCIS KIRIMI MUTHAURA AND UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA

**Public** 

Decision on the prosecution request for leave to reply

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

The Office of the Prosecutor Counsel for Francis Kirimi Muthaura Ms Fatou Bensouda

Mr Karim A. Khan, Mr Essa Faal, Mr Ms Adesola Adebovejo

Kennedy Ogetto, Ms Shyamala

Alagendra

Counsel for Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta

Mr Steven Kay Ms Gillian Higgins

**Legal Representatives of Applicants Legal Representatives of Victims** 

Unrepresented Applicants for **Unrepresented Victims** 

Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for

**Victims** 

The Office of Public Counsel for the

Defence

Amicus Curiae **States Representatives** 

**REGISTRY** 

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Ms Silvana Arbia

Victims and Witnesses Unit **Detention Section** 

Ms Maria Luisa Martinod-Jacome

**Victims Participation and Reparations Others** 

Section

**Trial Chamber V** ("Trial Chamber" or "Chamber") of the International Criminal Court ("Court"), in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Francis Kirimi Muthaura and Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta* ("Muthaura and Kenyatta case"), pursuant to Regulations 24(5) and 34 of the Regulations of the Court ("Regulations"), issues the following Decision on the prosecution request for leave to reply.

- 1. On 5 October 2012 the prosecution submitted the "Prosecution application for the authorisation of redactions pursuant to Articles 54(3)(f), 64(2) and 68(1) of the Statute, Rule 81 and Decision ICC-01/09-02/11-495" ("Application") with annexes A, B and C.¹ The Application and the three annexes were classified as "confidential, ex parte". A confidential redacted version of the application was filed on 9 October 2012.²
- 2. On 16 October 2012, pursuant to a request by the prosecution, <sup>3</sup> the Chamber ordered the reclassification of annexes B and C from "confidential, *ex parte*" to "confidential"<sup>4</sup> and thereafter confirmed that the 21-day time limit for any defence submissions began to run on the date of reclassification of the annexes.<sup>5</sup>
- 3. On 7 November 2012, the defence for Mr Muthaura and the defence for Mr Kenyatta (collectively, "the defence") jointly filed their response to the Application ("Response").6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-01/09-02/11-500-Conf-Exp, notified on 8 October 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/09-02/11-500-Conf-Red.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Application for reclassification of annexes B and C to ICC-01/09-02/11-500-Conf-Exp, 9 October 2012, ICC-01/09-02/11-502-Conf, para. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Decision reclassifying annexes B and C to ICC-01/09-02/11-500-Conf-Exp as "Confidential", ICC-01/09-02/11-505-Conf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Email communication from Trial Chamber V Communications to the parties on 22 October 2012 at 16:55

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Joint Defence Response to the Confidential redacted version of the Prosecution's 5 September 2012 application for the authorisation of redactions pursuant to Articles 54(3)(f), 64(2) and 68(1) of the

4. On 9 November 2012, the prosecution filed its request for leave to reply to the joint defence Response ("Request"). The prosecution requests leave to reply to three discrete points raised by the defence in their joint Response.

5. Pursuant to Regulation 24(5) of the Regulations, the parties may only reply to a response with the leave of the Chamber. In all the circumstances, the Chamber is of the view that it may benefit from receiving further observations from the prosecution concerning the three issues raised in paragraph 2 of the Request.

## For the foregoing reasons, the Chamber hereby:

**GRANTS** the prosecution's application for leave to file a reply to ICC-01/09-02/11-521-Conf in accordance with paragraph 5 of the present Decision;

**DIRECTS** the prosecution to file its reply within seven days of notification of this Decision.

Statute, Rule 81 and Decision ICC-01/09-02/11-495, with confidential annexes B and C, 7 November 2012, ICC-01/09-02/11-521-Conf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Prosecution request for leave to reply to ICC-01/09-02/11-521-Conf, 9 November 2012, ICC-01/09-02/11-525-Conf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> ICC-01/09-02/11-525-Conf, para. 2.

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

Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Presiding

Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert

Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji

Dated 14 November 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands