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International Criminal Court

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Date: 26 April 2013

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, Presiding Judge

Judge Hans-Peter Kaul Judge Cuno Tarfusser

SITUATION IN DARFUR, SUDAN

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. ABDEL RAHEEM MUHAMMAD HUSSEIN

Public Document

Order Regarding Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein's Potential Visit to the Republic of Chad

Document to be notified, in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations of the

Court, to:

The Office of the Prosecutor

Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor Ade Omofade, Trial Lawyer Counsel for the Defence

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

Competent authorities of the Republic of Chad

Amicus Curiae

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Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Others

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Pre-Trial Chamber II (the "Chamber") of the International Criminal Court (the

"Court") renders this order concerning the "Prosecution's notification of possible

travel in the case of The Prosecutor v. Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein pursuant

to Article 97 of the Rome Statute" (the "Prosecutor's Notification").1

1. On 31 March 2005, the Security Council acting under Chapter VII of the

Charter of the United Nations adopted Resolution 1593 (2005) referring the

situation in Darfur to the Court.2

2. On 1 March 2012, Pre-Trial Chamber I ("PTC I") issued the "Decision on the

Prosecutor's application under article 58 relating to Abdel Raheem Muhammad

Hussein",3 and the "Warrant of Arrest for Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein"4

for crimes against humanity and war crimes committed in Darfur from August

2003 to March 2004. This warrant of arrest remains to be executed.

3. On 13 March 2012, the Registry, acting upon PTC I's request, issued the

"Request to all States Parties to the Rome Statute for the arrest and surrender of

Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein"⁵ as well as the "Request to United Nations

Security Council members not States Parties to the Rome Statute for the arrest

and surrender of Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein".6 These requests called

for, inter alia, cooperation from all States Parties and States not Parties to the

Rome Statute (the "Statute") in the arrest and surrender of Abdel Raheem

Muhammad Hussein ("Mr. Hussein").

¹ ICC-02/05-01/12-11.

² S/RES/1593 (2005).

³ Pre-Trial Chamber I, ICC-02/05-01/12-1-Red.

⁴ Pre-Trial Chamber I, ICC-02/05-01/12-2.

⁵ ICC-02/05-01/12-5.

6 ICC-02/05-01/12-6.

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4. On 15 March 2012, the Presidency issued the "Decision on the constitution of

Pre-Trial Chambers and on the assignment of the Democratic Republic of the

Congo, Darfur, Sudan and Côte d'Ivoire situations", in which it re-assigned, inter

alia, the situation of Darfur, Sudan to this Chamber.⁷

5. On 25 April 2013, the Chamber received the Prosecutor's Notification.8

According to the Prosecutor's Notification and the annex appended thereto, Mr.

Hussein "will participate in the fourth conference on performance evaluation of

the joint Sudanese-Chadian border", which is scheduled to take place in the

Republic of Chad on 25 and 26 April 2013.9

6. The Chamber notes articles 86, 87(7) and 89 of the Statute.

7. The Chamber notes that the Republic of Chad is a State Party to the Statute

since 1 January 2007, and accordingly, it is under the obligation, in accordance

with articles 86 and 89 of the Statute, to execute the pending Court's decisions

concerning the arrest and surrender of Mr. Hussein.

8. The Chamber further notes that according to article 87(7) of the Statute

"[w]here a State Party fails to comply with a request to cooperate by the Court

contrary to the provisions of this Statute, [...] the Court may make a finding to

that effect and refer the matter to the Assembly of States Parties or, where the

Security Council referred the matter to the Court, to the Security Council".

⁷ Presidency, ICC-02/05-01/09-143.

8 ICC-02/05-01/12-11 and its annex.

⁹ ICC-02/05-01/12-11-AnxA.

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FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

- **a) instructs** the Registry to immediately transmit the present order to the Republic of Chad;
- **b) orders** the Registry to prepare and send a note verbale to the competent authorities of the Republic of Chad enquiring about said visit, and reminding the State of its obligations with respect to the arrest and surrender of Mr. Hussein to the Court; and
- c) orders the Registry to prepare a report to be filed with the Chamber in due course concerning said visit.

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

Judge Ekaterina Trendatilova Presiding Judge

Judge Hans-Peter Kaul

Judge Cuno Tarfusser

Dated this Friday, 26 April 2013

At The Hague, The Netherlands