Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

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Date: 9 October 2013

THE PRESIDENCY

Before: Judge Sang-Hyun Song, President

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, First Vice-President

Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Second Vice-President

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. GERMAIN KATANGA

Public

Decision replacing judges in the Appeals Chamber

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda Mr Eric MacDonald Counsel for the Defence of Mr Katanga

Mr David Hooper Mr Andreas O'Shea

Counsel for the Defence of Mr Ngudjolo Chui

Mr Jean-Pierre Kilenda Kakengi Basila Mr Jean-Pierre Fofé Djofia Malewa

Legal Representatives of the Victims

Mr Jean-Louis Gilissen Mr Fidel Nsita Luvengika **Legal Representatives of the 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

The Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands Amicus Curiae

REGISTRY

Registrar

Mr Herman von Hebel

Deputy Registrar

Didier Preira

Counsel Support Section

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Other

Appeals Chamber

THE PRESIDENCY of the International Criminal Court ("Court");

NOTING the "Acte d'appel des témoins DRC-D02-P-0236, DRC-D02-P-0228 et DRC-D02-P-0350 contre la 'Décision relative à la demande de mise en liberté des témoins détenus DRC-D02- P-0236, DRC-D02-P-0228 et DRC-D02-P-0350' rendue par la Chambre de première instance II en date du 1 octobre 2013 (ICC-01/04-01/07-3405) ("appeal"); ¹

RECALLING the request for excusal filed before the Presidency on 16 February 2010 by Judges Akua Kuenyehia and Anita Ušacka ("judges") pursuant to article 41(1) of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ("Statute") and rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"), wherein the judges requested to be excused, *inter alia*, from sitting in all future appeals in the case of *The Prosecutor v Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui* ("case") on the basis of their previous involvement in the pre-trial phase of the case, in the course of which they issued a warrant of arrest for, and confirmed the charges against, Mr Germain Katanga and Mr Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui;²

RECALLING the decision of the Presidency of 8 March 2010 pursuant to article 41 of the Statute, granting the judges' request for excusal in all future appeals in the case on the ground of their previous involvement in the case and treating them as unavailable for the purposes of all appeals in the case;³

NOTING the "Décision relative à la mise en oeuvre de la norme 55 du Règlement de la Cour et prononçant la disjonction des charges portées contre les accuses" issued by the Chamber on 21 November 2012, ordering the severance in respect of the charges against the accused Mr Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui;⁴

NOTING the "Registry Report on the implementation of Decision ICC-01/04-01/07-3319" of 26 November 2012;⁵

NOTING the composition of the Appeals Chamber as set out in article 39(2)(b)(i) of the Statute, pursuant to which the Appeals Chamber shall be composed of all the judges of the

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¹ ICC-01/04-01/07-3408, 7 October 2013.

² ICC-01/04-01/07-1949-Anx1.

³ ICC-01/04-01/07-1949-Anx2.

⁴ ICC-01/04-01/07-3319.

⁵ ICC-01/04-02/12-1.

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Appeals Division, which in turn is composed of the President and four other judges by virtue

of article 39(1) of the Statute;⁶

CONSIDERING rule 38 of the Rules, providing for the replacement of judges;

CONSIDERING regulation 15 of the Regulations of the Court, pursuant to which the

Presidency is responsible for the replacement of judges in accordance with article 39 of the

Statute, and regulation 12 of the Regulations of the Court, further to which the Presidency

shall, in the event that a member of the Appeals Chamber is disqualified, or unavailable for a

substantial reason, attach to the Appeals Chamber on a temporary basis a judge from either

the Trial or Pre-Trial Division;

HEREBY DECIDES:

For the purpose of the appeal, to temporarily attach Judge Cuno Tarfusser and Judge

Ekaterina Trendafilova, currently assigned to the Pre-Trial Division, to the Appeals Chamber

which shall be composed as follows:

Judge Sang-Hyun Song;

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng;

Judge Cuno Tarfusser;

Judge Erkki Kourula; and

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova.

ORDERS the Registrar to file and notify this decision to the relevant parties and participants

in the instant case.

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

Judge Sang-Hyun Song

President

Dated this 9 October 2013

At The Hague, The Netherlands

⁶ Following the decision of the Presidency dated 13 March 2012, the Appeals Division is composed of Judges Sang-Hyun Song, Sanji Monageng, Akua Kuenyehia, Erkki Kourula and Anita Ušacka, ICC-CPI-20120315-PR778.

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