Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

Original: English No.: ICC-01/05-01/13

Date: 23 March 2015

TRIAL CHAMBER VII

Before:

Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, Presiding Judge

Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccia

Judge Bertram Schmitt

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

IN THE CASE OF

THE PROSECUTOR v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO, AIMÉ KILOLO MUSAMBA, JEAN-JACQUES MANGENDA KABONGO, FIDÈLE BABALA WANDU and NARCISSE ARIDO

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Decision Confirming the Presiding Judge

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

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Trial Chamber VII of the International Criminal Court (the 'Court') in the case of The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo, Aimé Kilolo Musamba, Jean-Jacques Mangenda Kabongo, Fidèle Babala Wandu and Narcisse Arido (the 'Case'), pursuant to Regulation 13(2) of the Regulations of the Court (the 'Regulations') issues the following 'Decision Confirming the Presiding Judge'.

- 1. On 30 January 2015, the Presidency of the Court (the 'Presidency') constituted Trial Chamber VII (the 'Chamber'), composed of Judges Olga Herrera Carbuccia, Robert Fremr and Chile Eboe-Osuji, and referred the Case to it.

 The record of the proceedings was transmitted to the Chamber on 3 February 2015.²
- 2. On 13 February 2015, pursuant to Regulation 13(2) of the Regulations, the Judges of the Chamber elected Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji as Presiding Judge.³
- 3. On 13 March 2015, Judge Robert Fremr requested the Presidency to excuse him from exercising his functions as a Judge in the Case on the ground of workload.⁴
- 4. On 19 March 2015, the Presidency granted that request⁵ and reconstituted the Chamber, with Judge Bertram Schmitt replacing Judge Robert Fremr.⁶
- On 19 March 2015, the newly composed Chamber decided that the Presiding Judge of the Chamber shall remain unchanged.

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¹ Presidency, Decision constituting Trial Chamber VII and referring to it the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo, Aime Kilolo Musamba, Jean-Jacques Mangenda Kabongo, Fidele Babala Wandu and Narcisse Arido*, 30 January 2015, ICC-01/05-01/13-805.

² Transmission to the Trial Chamber VII of the full record of the proceedings, including the Decision on the Confirmation of Charges, ICC-01/05-01/13-810.

³ Decision Notifying the Election of a Presiding Judge, ICC-01/05-01/13-817.

⁴ ICC-01/05-01/13-854-AnxI-Corr.

⁵ ICC-01/05-01/13-854-AnxI-Corr.

⁶ Corrigendum to the 'Decision replacing a judge in Trial Chamber VII', ICC-01/05-01/13-854-Corr.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

DECLARES that the Presiding Judge shall remain unchanged and that the Chamber is as follows:

Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, Presiding Judge Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccia Judge Bertram Schmitt

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

Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, Presiding Judge

Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccia

Judge Bertram Schmitt

Dated 23 March 2015 At The Hague, The Netherlands