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### PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Single Judge

# SITUATION IN UGANDA IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. DOMINIC ONGWEN

# **Public**

Decision postponing to Tuesday, 19 May 2015 the impending status conference

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

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**Legal Representatives of the Applicants** 

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**Judge Cuno Tarfusser**, Single Judge exercising the functions of the Chamber, issues this decision postponing a status conference in the present case following the "Defence Request for a New Date for the Upcoming Status Conference" filed on 8 May 2015 (ICC-02/04-01/15-234).

- 1. The status conference, convened by decision ICC-02/04-01/15-224 of 23 April 2015, is currently scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 12 May 2015 (cf. ICC-02/04-01/15-228). On Friday, 8 May 2015, the Defence requested that the status conference be postponed since the process of obtaining from the Host State a visa for counsel had taken longer than expected and was yet to be finalised. The Defence suggests Friday, 15 May 2015 as the new date for the status conference, expressing its confidence that counsel would be given back his passport at the latest on Wednesday, 13 May 2015.
- 2. The Single Judge considers that a limited postponement of the status conference (which, in any case, is due to circumstances beyond counsel's control, as he has ostensibly acted with due diligence in timely following the relevant administrative procedures before the authorities of the Host State) does not have adverse impact on the proper conduct of the proceedings or on the parties' legitimate interests. On this latter point, the Single Judge also notes that, in its request, the Defence states that the Prosecutor, who was informed of the matter, makes no objection to the postponement of the status conference.
- 3. In light of these considerations and in order to avoid the risk of additional postponements (including in case return of the passport to counsel is further delayed), the Single Judge, having consulted with the parties in advance, considers it appropriate to set the date of the status conference at Tuesday, 19 May 2015.

## FOR THESE REASONS, THE SINGLE JUDGE

**DECIDES** to postpone to Tuesday, 19 May 2015 at 9.30 hours the status conference convened by decision ICC-02/04-01/15-224.

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

Judge Cuno Tarfusser Single Judge

Dated this 11 May 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands