

**Cour  
Pénale  
Internationale**



**International  
Criminal  
Court**

Original: **English**

No.: **ICC-01/04**  
Date: **3 September 2015**

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I**

**Before:** Judge Joyce Aluoch, Presiding Judge  
Judge Cuno Tarfusser  
Judge Péter Kovács

**SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO**

**Public**

**Decision designating a Single Judge**

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

**The Office of the Prosecutor**  
Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor  
James Stewart, Deputy Prosecutor

**Counsel for Defence**

**Legal Representatives of Victims**

**Legal Representatives of Applicants**

**Unrepresented Victims**

**Unrepresented Applicants for  
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for  
Victims**

Paolina Massidda

**The Office of Public Counsel for the  
Defence**

Xavier-Jean Keïta

**States Representatives**

**Amicus Curiae**

## **REGISTRY**

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**Victims and Witnesses Unit**

Nigel Verrill

**Detention Section**

Paddy Craig

**Victims Participation and Reparations  
Section**

Fiona McKay

**Others**

1. **PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I** of the International Criminal Court, having been assigned the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (“Situation”),<sup>1</sup> hereby renders this decision with a view to ensuring the proper organisation of the proceedings.
2. The Chamber notes that, pursuant to article 39(2)(iii) of the Rome Statute (the “Statute”), the functions of the Pre-Trial Chamber shall be carried out either by three judges of the Pre-Trial Division or by a single judge of that Division in accordance with the Statute and the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the “Rules”).
3. Furthermore, according to article 57(2)(b) of the Statute, in all cases other than those listed in article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, a single judge of the Pre-Trial Chamber may exercise the functions provided for in the Statute, unless otherwise provided for in the Rules or by a majority of the Pre-Trial Chamber.
4. The Chamber recalls rule 7(1) of the Rules and regulation 47(1) of the Regulations of the Court according to which the designation of a single judge shall be based on objective criteria agreed upon by the Pre-Trial Chamber, including consideration of the issues involved, the circumstances of the proceedings before the Chamber, the distribution of work within the Chamber and the proper management and efficiency in the handling of cases.
5. The Chamber considers that in light of the abovementioned criteria it is appropriate to designate Judge Cuno Tarfusser as Single Judge responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber with respect to the Situation.

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<sup>1</sup> Presidency, Decision re-assigning the Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 21 August 2015, ICC-01/04-639; Presidency, Decision on the constitution of Pre-Trial Chambers and on the assignment of the Mali situation, 16 March 2015, ICC-01/04-632.

**FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER**

**designates** Judge Cuno Tarfusser as Single Judge of Pre-Trial Chamber I responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber with respect to the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and any cases emanating therefrom.

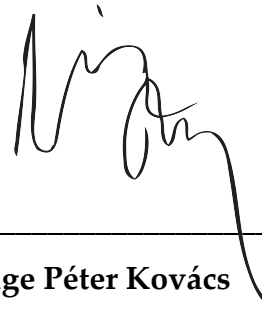
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



**Judge Joyce Aluoch**  
**Presiding Judge**



**Judge Cuno Tarfusser**



**Judge Péter Kovács**

Dated this Thursday, 3 September 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands