Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

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Date: 30 November 2016

TRIAL CHAMBER VII

Before: Judge Bertram Schmitt, Single Judge

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 on Prosecution's Request for Protective Measures for P-256

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

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Judge Bertram Schmitt, acting as Single Judge on behalf of Trial Chamber VII ('Single Judge' and 'Chamber', respectively) of the International Criminal 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,* having regard to Rule 87 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and Regulation 42 of the Regulations of the Court, issues the following 'Decision on Prosecution's Request for Protective Measures for P-256'.

- 1. On 4 November 2016, the Office of the Prosecutor ('Prosecution') requested the following protective measures for P-256: (i) image and voice distortion, (ii) use of a pseudonym (iii) and private/closed session to protect the identity of the witness ('Request').¹
- 2. On 11 November 2016, the Chamber set a deadline of 28 November 2016 to respond to the Request.² No responses were filed by this deadline.
- 3. Noting the citations provided by the Prosecution at footnote 1 of the Request and the fact that the Request is unopposed, the Single Judge grants the Request for the reasons identified by the Prosecution.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE SINGLE JUDGE HEREBY

GRANTS the Request.

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¹ Annex A to the Prosecution's Notification of Witness Summaries for Sentencing Proceeding, ICC-01/05-01/13-2009-Conf-AnxA.

² Decision on Sentencing Witnesses and Setting an Article 76(2) Hearing, 11 November 2016, ICC-01/05-01/13-2025, para. 17.

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

Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge

Dated 30 November 2016

At The Hague, The Netherlands