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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge Cuno Tarfusser, 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

Public redacted version of

Decision on the "Prosecution's Application for Redactions pursuant to Rule 81(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence" dated 29 August 2014

The Office of the Prosecutor Counsel for Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo Fatou Bensouda Nicholas Kaufman James Stewart Kweku Vanderpuye **Counsel for Aimé Kilolo Musamba** Paul Djunga Mudimbi **Counsel for Jean-Jacques Mangenda Kabongo** Jean Flamme **Counsel for Fidèle Babala Wandu** Jean-Pierre Kilenda Kakengi Basila **Counsel for Narcisse Arido** Göran Sluiter Legal Representatives of Victims Legal Representatives of Applicants **Unrepresented Victims Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparation States Representatives** Others REGISTRY Registrar **Detention Section** Herman von Hebel Victims and Witnesses Unit Others **Victims Participation and Reparations Section**

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

from a transcript of a witness

I, **Judge Cuno Tarfusser**, having been designated as Single Judge of Pre-Trial Chamber II of the International Criminal Court;

NOTING the "Prosecution's Application for Redactions pursuant to Rule 81(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence" dated 29 August 2014 ("Prosecutor's Request")¹, whereby the Prosecutor requests to be authorised to redact

interview ("Transcript"), with a view to "protect[ing] the witness's dignity and privacy";

NOTING articles 54, 57(3)(c), 61, 67 and 68 of the Statute, rules 15, 76, 77, 81(2), 81(4) and 121 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules");

NOTING that other redactions to the Transcript had been requested by the Prosecutor in her "Prosecution's Application for Redactions pursuant to Rules 81(2) and 81(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence" dated 6 June 2014² and subsequently authorised by the "Decision on the 'Prosecution's Application for Redactions pursuant to Rules 81(2) and 81(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence' dated 6 June 2014" dated 17 June 2014 ("17 June 2014 Decision")³;

NOTING that, pursuant to the "Prosecution's Communication of Incriminatory Evidence Disclosed to the Defence on 20 June 2014"⁴, the Transcript was disclosed to the Defence teams on 20 June 2014, in the form authorised by the 17 June 2014 Decision, which also included the information the Prosecutor now wishes to redact;

¹ ICC-01/05-01/13-657-Conf-Exp and confidential *ex parte* Annexes A and B thereto.

² ICC-01/05-01/13-467 and confidential *ex parte* Annexes A to C thereto.

³ ICC-01/05-01/13-503.

⁴ ICC-01/05-01/13-510.

CONSIDERING that, accordingly, the information which the Prosecutor requests now to be authorised to redact have already been available to the parties for several weeks and that therefore the Prosecutor's objective to prevent their disclosure to the Defence teams has by now been irretrievably frustrated;

CONSIDERING, by the same token, that it is appropriate to remind the parties of their obligation to prevent the disclosure and dissemination of any and all documents and/or information of a confidential nature, including information pertaining to the privacy of witnesses;

FOR THESE REASONS, THE SINGLE JUDGE HEREBY

REJECTS the Prosecutor's Request.

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

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Judge Cuno Tarfusser Single Judge

Dated this Wednesday, 10 September 2014 The Hague, The Netherlands