

**Cour
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**International
Criminal
Court**

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Date: 16 May 2017

TRIAL CHAMBER IV

Before: Judge Joyce Aluoch, Presiding Judge
Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji
Judge Geoffrey Henderson

SITUATION IN DARFUR, SUDAN

**IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. ABDALLAH BANDA ABAKAER NOURAIN***

Public

Decision on Associate Counsel's Request to Withdraw

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda

Mr Julian Nicholls

Counsel for the Defence

Mr Karim A.A. Khan

Mr David Hooper

Legal Representatives of Victims

Ms Hélène Cissé

Mr Jens Dieckmann

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for
Victims**

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

States Representatives

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Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Others

Trial Chamber IV of the International Criminal Court in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain*, having regard to Regulation 78(1) of the Regulations of the Court and Articles 8, 15 and 17-19 of the Code of Professional Conduct for counsel, issues the following 'Decision on Associate Counsel's Request to Withdraw'.

1. On 15 May 2017, the lead counsel for Mr Banda submitted an annex containing a request from associate counsel – Mr David Hooper – to withdraw from this case.¹ The lead counsel 'fully supports' the relief sought.²
2. Noting that lead counsel continues to represent the accused, no prejudice or inconvenience is caused from accepting this withdrawal.

THE CHAMBER HEREBY

GRANTS leave to Mr Hooper to withdraw from the case.

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



Judge Joyce Aluoch



Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji



Judge Geoffrey Henderson

Dated this 16 May 2017

At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ Annex A to the Submission of request pursuant to Regulation 78 of the Regulations of the Court, ICC-02/05-03/09-644-AnxA.

² ICC-02/05-03/09-644, para. 2.