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No. **ICC-01/14-01/18**  
Date: **25 March 2019**

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II**

**Before:** **Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua, Presiding Judge**  
**Judge Tomoko Akane**  
**Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala**

**SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II**  
**IN THE CASE OF *THE PROSECUTOR V. ALFRED YEKATOM AND***  
***PATRICE-EDOUARD NGAÏSSONA***

**URGENT**  
**Public**

Decision Shortening the Time Limit for the Response of the Defence to the  
'Prosecution's Request to Vary the Decision on Disclosure and Related Matters  
(ICC-01/14-01/18-64-Red)'

**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 Alfred Yekatom**  
Stéphane Bourgon  
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**Counsel for Patrice-Edouard Ngaissona**  
Geert-Jan Alexander Knoops

**Legal Representatives of Victims**

**Legal Representatives of Applicants**

**Unrepresented Victims**

**Unrepresented Applicants for  
Participation/Reparations**

**The Office of Public Counsel for Victims**

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

**States Representatives**

*Amicus Curiae*

## **REGISTRY**

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**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II** of the International Criminal Court issues this decision shortening the time limit for the response of the Defence to the ‘Prosecution’s Request to Vary the Decision on Disclosure and Related Matters (ICC-01/14-01/18-64-Red)’ (the ‘Prosecutor’s Request’).<sup>1</sup>

1. On 23 January 2019, the Single Judge, acting on behalf of the Chamber,<sup>2</sup> issued the ‘Decision on Disclosure and Related Matters’, *inter alia*, setting the redactions regime to be applied in the case of the *Prosecutor v. Alfred Yekatom*.<sup>3</sup> The Single Judge decided in this context that the parties, when disclosing evidence with redactions, shall assign unique pseudonyms to any person whose identity is redacted.<sup>4</sup>

2. On 20 February 2019, the Chamber issued the ‘Decision on the joinder of the cases against Alfred Yekatom and Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona and other related matters’.<sup>5</sup>

3. On 20 March 2019, the Chamber received the Prosecutor’s Request, whereby the Prosecutor requests the Chamber ‘to limit the requirement of assigning unique pseudonyms to the individuals redacted under categories A.4 and A.5 of the Redactions Protocol’.<sup>6</sup>

4. The Chamber notes regulations 24 and 34 of the Regulations of the Court.

5. With a view to ensuring the expeditiousness of the proceedings, the Chamber considers it appropriate to vary the time limit for the submission of the Defence’s response to the Prosecutor’s Request and orders the two Defence teams to submit their observations, if any, no later than Thursday, 28 March 2019.

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<sup>1</sup> 20 March 2019, ICC-01/14-01/18-153.

<sup>2</sup> Decision designating a Single Judge, 6 December 2018, ICC-01/14-01/18-27.

<sup>3</sup> ICC-01/14-01/18-64-Conf (a public redacted version is also available; *see* ICC-01/14-01/18-64-Red).

<sup>4</sup> ICC-01/14-01/18-64-Red, para. 29.

<sup>5</sup> ICC-01/14-01/18-87.

<sup>6</sup> ICC-01/14-01/18-153, para. 28.

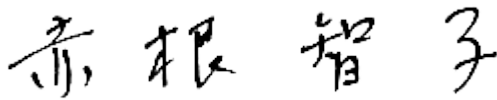
**FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY**

**ORDERS** the Yekatom Defence and the Ngaïssona Defence to submit their responses to the Prosecutor's Request, if any, no later than Thursday, 28 March 2019.

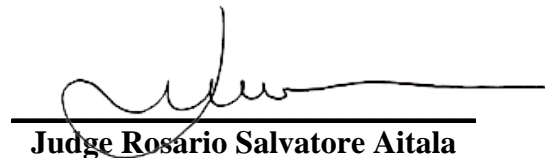
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



**Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua,  
Presiding Judge**



**Judge Tomoko Akane**



**Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala**

Dated this Monday, 25 March 2019

At The Hague, The Netherlands