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### TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge William H. Sekule, Presiding

Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa Judge Mparany Rajohnson

Registrar:

Mr. Adama Dieng

Date:

14 December 2011

The PROSECUTOR

Augustin NGIRABATWARE

Case No. ICTR-99-54-T

# ORDER TO REGISTRAR FOR FURTHER SUBMISSIONS UPON COMPLETION OF MISSION TO TOGO

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### THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA (the "Tribunal"),

**SITTING** as Trial Chamber II composed of Judges William H. Sekule, Presiding, Solomy Balungi Bossa, and Mparany Rajohnson (the "Chamber");

**RECALLING** the Chamber's "Decision on Defence Motion Requesting an Order directed at the Togolese Republic" of 23 November 2010, wherein the Togolese Republic was respectfully requested to provide any relevant assistance in facilitating a meeting between the Defence and a certain Togolese national;<sup>1</sup>

RECALLING further the Chamber's "Decision on Defence Motion Asking the Trial Chamber to Request the President to Report the Matter of the Republic of Togo's Refusal to Cooperate to the Security Council" of 14 September 2011, wherein the Togolese authorities were respectfully requested to facilitate and ensure the Defence was able to meet a certain Togolese national as soon as possible, considering that the Chamber expected to conclude the evidence phase by the end of October 2011;<sup>2</sup>

**NOTING** the "Defence Second Motion Asking the Trial Chamber to Request the President to Report the Matter of Togo's Refusal to Cooperate to the Security Council (Article 28 of the Statute of the Tribunal; Rule 7 bis of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence)", filed confidentially on 11 November 2011 (the "Defence Motion"), which is currently under deliberation;

**RECALLING** the Chamber's "Order to Registrar for Submissions" and "Order to Registrar for Further Submissions", of 1 and 7 December 2011, respectively;

ACKNOWLEDGING the "Registrar's Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 1 December 2011 (Rule 33(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence)" and the "Registrar's Further Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 7 December 2011 (Rule 33(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence)" (the "Registrar's Further Submissions"), filed confidentially on 2 and 12 December 2011, respectively;

**NOTING** the "Defence Comments on the Registrar's Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 1 December 2011" (the "Defence Comments"), and the "Defence Comments on the Registrar's Further Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 7 December 2011" (the "Defence Further Comments") filed on 5 and 13 December 2011, respectively;

**OBSERVING** that the Defence Comments and the Defence Further Comments appear to identify a potential Defence witness by name;<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision on Defence Motion Requesting an Order Directed at the Togolese Republic (TC), 23 November 2010, p. 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Decision on Defence Motion Asking the Trial Chamber to Request the President to Report the Matter of the Republic of Togo's Refusal to Cooperate to the Security Council (TC), 14 September 2011, para. 19.

<sup>3</sup> See Defence Comments on the Registrar's Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 1 December 2011, 5 December 2011, paras. 6, 11; Defence Comments on the Registrar's Further Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 7 December 2011, 13 December 2011, para. 16.

**NOTING** that the Prosecution has not commented on this matter;

**TAKING INTO ACCOUNT** the Registrar's Further Submissions that the Togolese authorities have failed to acknowledge receipt of the ICTR *Note Verbale* of 23 March 2011 and of the Chamber's Decisions of 23 November 2010 and 14 September 2011;<sup>4</sup> and

**CONSIDERING** the Registrar's Further Submissions that the Chief of ERSPS has been requested to travel to Togo from 16 to 18 December 2011, and that upon his return, the Registry shall report back to the Chamber;<sup>5</sup>

## FOR THE ABOVE REASONS, THE CHAMBER

**INVITES** the Registrar to provide further submissions under Rule 33(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, in particular addressing whether Togo received the *Note Verbale* of 23 March 2011 and the Chamber's Decisions of 23 November 2010 and 14 September 2011, and to provide any other useful submissions on the issue of cooperation;

**REQUESTS** the Registrar to provide these submissions to the Chamber and the Parties immediately upon the completion of the mission of the Chief of ERSPS to Togo;

**GRANTS** the Parties three days from receipt of the Registrar's submissions to file their comments thereon, if they so wish;

**DEFERS** its Decision on the pending Defence Motion until the receipt and consideration of these submissions; and

**DIRECTS** the Registry to place under confidential seal the Defence Comments and the Defence Further Comments of 5 and 13 December 2011, respectively.

Arusha, 14 December 2011

William H. Sekule Presiding Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa

Mparany Rajohnson Judge

<sup>5</sup> Id. See also id., pp. 1-2 (Note Verbale of 12 December 2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Registrar's Further Submissions in Respect of Trial Chamber II Order of 7 December 2011 (Rule 33(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence), 12 December 2011, para. 4.