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Before: Judge Raul C. Pangalangan, Single Judge

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF MALI

IN THE CASE OF *THE PROSECUTOR v. AHMAD AL FAQI AL MAHDI*

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**Decision on Malian Authorities' Request for Extension of Time to Submit
Observations on the Updated Implementation Plan**

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Judge Raul C. Pangalangan, acting as Single Judge on behalf of Trial Chamber VIII ('Single Judge' and 'Chamber', respectively) of the International Criminal Court issues the following 'Decision on Malian Authorities' Request for Extension of Time to Submit Observations on the Updated Implementation Plan', in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Ahmad Al Faqi Al Mahdi*, having regard to Regulation 35 of the Regulations of the Court.

1. On 12 July 2018, the Chamber ordered the Trust Fund for Victims ('TFV') to provide an Updated Implementation Plan ('UIP') for reparations by 2 November 2018. The parties were directed to respond to the UIP within 30 days of notification.¹
2. On 2 November 2018, the TFV submitted its UIP.²
3. On 5 November 2018, the Chamber invited the relevant Malian authorities to submit observations on the UIP by 16:00 on 30 November 2018.³
4. On 29 November 2018, the Malian authorities explained that, due to translation delays, it requested an additional month to file these observations ('Request').⁴
5. The Single Judge considers it important for the Chamber to receive fully developed views from the Republic of Mali on the UIP and, for the reasons given in the Request, finds that good cause exists for an extension of time.
6. Noting the upcoming winter recess and that the parties' responses on the UIP are intended to come after those of the Malian authorities,⁵ the Single Judge will accordingly grant the parties an extension of time as well.

¹ Public redacted version of 'Decision on Trust Fund for Victims' Draft Implementation Plan for Reparations', 12 July 2018, ICC-01/12-01/15-273-Red (notified 13 July 2018), para. 18.

² Public redacted version of "Updated Implementation Plan", submitted on 2 November 2018, ICC-01/12-01/15-291-Conf-Exp, ICC-01/12-01/15-291-Red2 (with three annexes; notified 22 November 2018).

³ Decision inviting Malian authorities to submit observations on the Trust Fund for Victims' Updated Implementation Plan, ICC-01/12-01/15-293.

⁴ Annex to the Transmission of Correspondence from the Malian Authorities, ICC-01/12-01/15-302-Conf-Anx (notified 30 November 2018).

7. The Single Judge modifies the schedule for making submissions on the UIP in order to accommodate the requested extension.

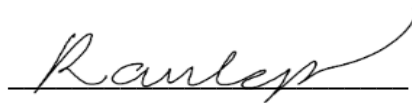
FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE SINGLE JUDGE HEREBY

GRANTS the relief sought in the Request;

INVITES the Malian authorities to submit observations on the UIP by 16:00 on 8 January 2019; and

DIRECTS the parties to file their final observations on all matters concerning the UIP by 16:00 on 15 January 2019.

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



Judge Raul C. Pangalangan, Single Judge

Dated 30 November 2018

At The Hague, The Netherlands

⁵ ICC-01/12-01/15-293, para. 3.