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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Sylvia Steiner, Single Judge

Registrar: Mr Bruno Cathala

**SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui***

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URGENT

**DECISION TO UNSEAL THE WARRANT OF ARREST AGAINST MATHIEU
NGUDJOLO CHUI**

The Office of the Prosecutor

Mr Luis Moreno Ocampo, Prosecutor
Mrs Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor
Mr Éric MacDonald, Trial Lawyer
Mrs Florence Darques-Lane, Legal Adviser

I, Judge Sylvia Steiner, judge at the International Criminal Court (the “Court”);

NOTING the Prosecution’s application for warrants of arrest under article 58 of the Statute, part one and two (“the Prosecution Application”),¹ filed by the Prosecution on 22 and 25 June 2007, in which amongst others, the Prosecution i) requests that any determination by Pre-Trial Chamber I (“the Chamber”) to issue any warrant of arrest be sealed from the public until such time as the necessary arrangements are in place to allow for the arrest, surrender, and transfer of the person; and ii) requests that the arrest warrant against Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui be unsealed only after it is confirmed that Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui has been transferred to a location in which his own security and the integrity of his conditions of detention are assured and at the earliest, once Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui is in transit to the Court;

NOTING the warrant of arrest against Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui² issued by the Chamber on 6 July 2007;

NOTING the “Order on the execution of the warrant of arrest for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui”³ issued by the Chamber on 6 July 2007;

NOTING the “Decision on the evidence and information provided by the Prosecution for the issuance of a warrant of arrest for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui”⁴ (“the

¹ ICC-01/04-348-US-Exp and ICC-01/04-350-US-Exp.

² ICC-01/04-02/07-1-US.

³ ICC-01/04-02/07-2-US.

Decision”) issued on 6 July 2007 whereby the Chamber set out the analysis of the evidence and information provided by the Prosecution in connection with its application for a warrant of arrest against Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui;

NOTING the hearing held *ex parte* and in closed session on 6 February 2008 in which the Prosecution and the Registry informed the Single Judge on the status on the execution of the cooperation request for the arrest and surrender of Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui;

NOTING articles 57 (3) (c), 67 (1) and 68 (1) of the Rome Statute (“the Statute”), rules 87 (2) (c) and 88 (4) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“the Rules”) and regulation 8 (c) of the Regulations of the Court;

CONSIDERING that the authorities of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (“the DRC”) have already executed the cooperation request for the arrest and surrender of Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui filed on 14 November 2007⁵ and transmitted to the DRC authorities by the Representative of the Registrar on 5 February 2008; that Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui is currently in the custody of officials of the Court; and that there is no longer any reason to maintain the warrant of arrest against him under seal;

CONSIDERING that regulation 8 (c) of the Regulations of the Court requires publication on the website of the Court of all “decisions and orders of the Court and other particulars of each case brought before the Court as described in rule 15”;

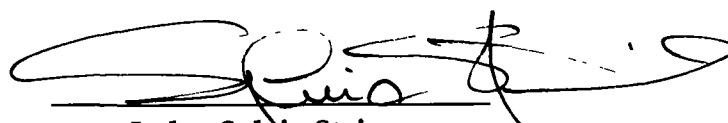
⁴ ICC-01/04-02/07-3-US.

⁵ ICC-01/04-02/07-6-US.

FOR THESE REASONS

DECIDE to unseal and to reclassify as public the documents ICC-01/04-02/07-1-US and ICC-01/04-02/07-1-US-Anx1;

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



Judge Sylvia Steiner
Single Judge

Dated this Thursday 7 February 2008

At The Hague

The Netherlands