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TRIAL CHAMBER V(A)

Before: Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, Presiding
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion
Judge Robert Fremr

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE CASE OF

***THE PROSECUTOR v.
WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO AND JOSHUA ARAP SANG***

**Public
with Public Annex**

**Defence Submission of Mr. William Samoei Ruto's "Declaration of Understanding
of Charges"**

Source: Defence for Mr. William Samoei Ruto

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

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Other

1. In the “Decision on the Conduct of Trial Proceedings (General Directions)” (“Decision”),¹ the Trial Chamber, *inter alia*, directed:

*The Ruto Defence and the Sang Defence...to ensure that the accused persons they represent have read and understood the Document Containing the Charges in its entirety and to file a certified declaration to this effect by no later than 29 August 2013. The declaration shall be filed under the general heading in the form attached as Annex A to this Decision.*²

2. Lead Counsel for Mr. William Samoei Ruto hereby confirms that the Chamber’s direction has been complied with and herewith submits on behalf of Mr. Ruto a certified declaration to this effect under the general heading in the form annexed to the Decision.³

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated this 26th Day of August 2013
At London, United Kingdom

¹ 9 August 2013, ICC-01/09-01/11-847-Corr.

² *Ibid.*, para. 6.

³ See certified declaration annexed to this filing. Further to consultations between the Defence for Mr. Ruto and the court officers with responsibility for this case, the Defence has submitted this filing and the attached declaration electronically. The Defence retains the original of this declaration and stands ready to submit this original to the Registry should the Chamber so direct.