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International Criminal Court

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THE PRESIDENCY

Before:

Judge Joyce Aluoch, First Vice-President Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Second Vice-President Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo

Public

Notification concerning the "Requête urgente de la Défense aux fins de récusation de Mme la juge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi" dated 29 June 2015

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms. Fatou Bensouda Mr. James Stewart

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Legal Representatives of the Victims

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REGISTRY

Registrar

Mr. Herman von Hebel

THE PRESIDENCY of the International Criminal Court notes that on 29 June 2015, Mr. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo ("Mr. Lubanga") filed the "Requête urgente de la Défense aux fins de récusation de Mme la juge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi" ("Application"). The Application seeks the disqualification of Judge Fernández de Gurmendi from the panel of three judges appointed by the Appeals Chamber to review, in accordance with article 110 of the Rome Statute, the sentence imposed on Mr. Lubanga to determine whether it should be reduced.²

On 30 June 2015, Judge Fernández de Gurmendi filed a request before the Presidency wherein she requested to be excused from any functions of the Presidency with respect to the Application.³ On the same date, the remaining members of the Presidency granted this request and Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng assumed responsibilities as a member of the Presidency for the purpose of exercising functions with respect to the Application in accordance with regulations 10 and 11(2) of the Regulations of the Court.⁴

The Presidency hereby notifies that a plenary session of the judges shall be convened on 15 July 2015 at 9:30 AM to address the Application.

The Presidency hereby orders the Registrar to transmit this notification to all parties and participants in the case.

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

Judge Joyce Aluoch First Vice-President

Dated this 7 July 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands

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¹ ICC-01/04-01/06-3139.

² See Decision appointing three judges of the Appeals Chamber for the review concerning reduction of sentence of Mr Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, 15 June 2015, ICC-01/04-01/06-3135.

³ 2015/PRES/00207.

⁴ 2015/PRES/00207-02.