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## TRIAL CHAMBER VII

**Before:** 

Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut Judge Raul Pangalangan

## SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO, AIMÉ KILOLO MUSAMBA, JEAN-JACQUES MANGENDA KABONGO, FIDÈLE BABALA WANDU AND NARCISSE ARIDO

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Application to vary the Sentencing Calendar

Source: Defence for Mr. Aimé Kilolo Musamba;

Defence for Mr. Jean-Jacques Mangenda Kabongo;

Defence for Mr. Fidèle Babala Wandu; and

Defence for Mr. Narcisse Arido

## Document to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations of the

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The Defence for Messrs Kilolo, Mangenda, Babala and Arido hereby seek a variation of the Sentencing Calendar to require the Registry to file their report on the solvency of the convicted persons by 6 December 2016 and an extension to the parties to file their sentencing submissions by 8 December 2016.

- On 20 October 2016, the Single Judge issued the 'Sentencing Calendar' ["the Calendar"].<sup>1</sup>
- 2. The Calendar stipulated *inter alia* that parties:
  - Were to disclose and formally submit any additional evidence to be considered for sentencing by 23 November 2016; and
  - (ii) Make written submissions on the additional evidence presented and appropriate sentences to be imposed by 7 December 2016.
- 3. The Calendar also stipulated that the Registry must file a report informing the Chamber of the solvency of each of the convicted persons by the same date as the parties' written submissions on appropriate sentence, namely, 7 December 2016.
- 4. The Calendar provides that the timetable set is "without prejudice to receiving further submissions".<sup>2</sup>
- 5. This is an application on behalf of the representatives of Mr Kilolo, Mr Mangenda, Mr Babala and Mr Arido for a slight variation of the Calendar to enable the parties to properly consider the Registry report on the solvency of convicted persons *before* filing any written observations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-01/05-01/13-1990.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/05-01/13-1990, para. 2.

- 6. It is respectfully submitted that such a variation would be in keeping with the spirit of the Calendar which provides that the object of the written submissions to be filed on 7 December 2016 is to (i) comment on additional evidence that has been disclosed; and (ii) formulate arguments as to appropriate sentence.
- 7. It is anticipated that the Registry's report on the solvency of each convicted person could contain important information that parties will want to consider and perhaps comment upon when formulating their arguments on to the appropriate sentence for their clients.
- 8. It is therefore respectfully requested that the Registry be required to submit their report one day earlier, by 6 December 2016. Moreover, in order to give the parties time to consider the report it is respectfully requested that the parties be granted a one day extension to file their written submissions, by 8 December.
- 9. This request is filed publicly as it contains no information that has not already been set out in the publicly filed Calendar

## **Relief requested**

(1) That the Registry be required to serve their report on the solvency of each convicted person by 6 December 2016 and that an extension of 24 hours be granted to the parties to submit their written submissions.



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Respectfully submitted this 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

At The Hague, the Netherlands.