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## PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

**Before:** 

Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Single Judge

# SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

PUBLIC

With confidential annex *EX PARTE* only available to the Registry

Twenty-Third Periodic Report of the Registry on the activities of the Victims Participation and Reparations Section in the Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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#### I. Introduction

 On 11 April 2011, Pre-Trial Chamber I ( "Chamber") ordered the Victims Participation and Reparations Section ("VPRS") of the Registry to report every three months on the applications received in the Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo ("Situation in the DRC").<sup>1</sup>

#### II. Classification

2. Consistent with previous practice and pursuant to regulation 23*bis* of the Regulations of the Court ("Regulations"), the present report is submitted as a confidential *ex parte* annex, available only to the Registry, to a public filing in order to enable the inclusion in such reports of identifying information or information relating to the protection of victims whenever necessary.

### III. Applicable Law

The Registry submits the present report in accordance with articles 68(1) and
(3) of the Rome Statute, rules 16(1) and 89(1) of the Rules of Procedure and
Evidence and regulation 86 of the Regulations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, "Decision on victims' participation in proceedings relating to the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo", 11 April 2011, ICC-01/04-593, para. 13.

#### IV. Submission

4. The Registry hereby submits, as an annex to the present document, its twentythird periodic report in the Situation in the DRC, covering the period from 11 October 2016 to 10 January 2017.

Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services per delegation of Herman von Hebel, Registrar

Dated this 11 January 2017

At The Hague, The Netherlands