

# **Annex I**

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To   À	Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, President	From   De	Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor
Date	30 October 2017	Through   Via	
Ref.	OTP2017/030711	Copies	Herman von Hebel, Registrar
Subject   Objet	Notice pursuant to regulation 45 of the Regulations of the Court		

In accordance with the provisions of regulation 45 of the Regulations of the Court, I hereby inform you of my intention to submit a request to the Pre-Trial Chamber for authorisation of an investigation into the Situation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, under article 15(3) of the Rome Statute.

On the basis of the information available and after a thorough assessment, I have concluded that there is a reasonable basis to believe that crimes within the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court have been committed in the context of the Situation in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan since 1 July 2002. Specifically, I intend to seek authorisation for an investigation into alleged crimes committed on the territory of Afghanistan in the period since 1 May 2003, as well as other alleged crimes that have a nexus to the armed conflict in Afghanistan and are sufficiently linked to the Situation and were committed on the territory of other States Parties to the Rome Statute since 1 July 2002.

Thank you kindly in advance for your time and attention to this important matter. |