State Party Referral under article 14 of the Rome Statute


Noting Ukraine’s acceptance of the International Criminal Court’s jurisdiction, pursuant to article 12, paragraph 3, of the Rome Statute;

Noting the first declaration lodged by the Government of Ukraine accepted the Court’s jurisdiction with respect to alleged acts committed on the territory of Ukraine within the time period 21 November 2013 to 22 February 2014; and the second declaration accepted the Court’s jurisdiction with respect to alleged acts committed on the territory of Ukrainian since 20 February 2014;

Noting that a State’s acceptance of the International Criminal Court’s jurisdiction by means of a declaration enables the Court, pursuant to article 12(2) of the Rome Statute, to exercise its jurisdiction over any alleged acts of war crimes, crimes against humanity or genocide committed on that State’s territory or by its nationals;

Desiring to give effect to the exercise of the Court’s jurisdiction with respect to the Situation in Ukraine;

Acting pursuant to article 13, paragraph a, and article 14, paragraph 1, of the Rome Statute;

Decide to refer the Situation in Ukraine to the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court for the purpose of requesting the Prosecutor to investigate any acts of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide alleged to have occurred on the territory of Ukraine from 21 November 2013 onwards, including any allegations of current and ongoing crimes occurring throughout the territory of Ukraine, thereby requesting the Court to exercise its jurisdiction with respect to the jurisdictional scope accepted by Ukraine.

* pending final decision by the Swedish Government and Bulgarian Government