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TRIAL CHAMBER V

Before: Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge
Judge Péter Kovács
Judge Chang-ho Chung

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

**IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. ALFRED YEKATOM AND PATRICE-EDOUARD
NGAISSONA***

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Associate Counsel's request for leave to withdraw

Source: Associate Counsel for Mr Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona

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1. In accordance with Regulation 78(1) of the Regulations of the Court, I respectfully request leave to withdraw as Associate Counsel for Mr. Ngaïssona in the case of *Prosecutor v. Alfred Yekatom and Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona* (ICC-01/14-01/18), effective as of 29 February 2024.
2. This request is submitted with the consent of both Mr. Ngaïssona and Lead Counsel and takes into account the continuing appointment of the other Associate Counsel. Lead Counsel has confirmed that this withdrawal will not impact Defence preparations in light of the presentation of the Defence case before Trial Chamber V or existing deadlines in an adverse manner, since the composition of the team will remain unchanged in all other aspects.
3. In the event that leave is granted, I affirm that I will adhere to all relevant provisions of the Code of Professional Conduct for Counsel concerning confidentiality and record-keeping as provided for in articles 8, 15 and 17.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated this 13 February 2024

At Bangui, Central African Republic