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# International Criminal Court

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### PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Akua Kuenyehia, Single judge

Registrar: Mr Bruno Cathala

# SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. GERMAIN KATANGA AND MATHIEU NGUDJOLO CHUI

### **Public Document**

Request from the relevant authorities of the Host State to reclassify as Public their observations on the interim release of Germain Katanga (ICC-01/04-01/07-251-Conf-Anx1)

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THE REGISTRAR of the International Criminal Court ("The Court");

**NOTING** the warrant of arrest for Germain Katanga filed by Pre-Trial Chamber I ("the Chamber") on 2 July 2007<sup>1</sup>;

**NOTING** the "Decision on the evidence and information provided by the Prosecution for the issuance of a warrant of arrest for Germain Katanga" filed on 6 July 2007<sup>2</sup>;

**NOTING** the "Decision concerning observations on the review of the pre-trial detention of Germain Katanga" issued on 24 January 2008<sup>3</sup>;

**NOTING** the "Prosecution's Observations on the Pre-Trial Detention of Germain Katanga, Pursuant to the Statute and the Rules" filed on 31 January 2008<sup>4</sup>;

**NOTING** the "Response of the Defence to the Prosecution's Observations on the Pre-Trial Detention of Mr. Germain KATANGA, pursuant to the Statute and the Rules" issued on 7 February 2008<sup>5</sup>;

**NOTING** the "Defence observations in relation to the Single Judge's oral request to file a complete application for interim release" filed on 18 February 20086;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-4

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-174

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-186

<sup>6</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-206-Conf

**NOTING** the "Decision Concerning Pre-Trial Detention of Germain Katanga" ("the Decision") issued by the Chamber on 21 February 20087;

**NOTING** the "Report of the Registrar on the Execution of the Decision Inviting Observations on the Defence's Application for Interim Release of Germain Katanga" ("the Report") issued on 6 March 2008<sup>8</sup>;

**NOTING** article 58, 60 and 87 of the *Rome Statute*, rules 118 and 119 of the *Rules of Procedure and Evidence* ("the Rules") and regulation 51 of the *Regulations of the Court* ("the Regulations");

**CONSIDERING** that, on 27 February 2008, the relevant authorities of the Netherlands submitted, as per the Decision, their observations on the conditions that would have to be met in order for the State to accept Germain Katanga's release on to its territory<sup>9</sup>;

**CONSIDERING** that these observations were initially registered as a Confidential Annex to the Report;

CONSIDERING that, after some internal discussions, the relevant authorities of the Host State have come to the conclusion that the above-mentioned observations could be registered as public and have, thus, enquired on the possibilities of a reclassification;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-222

<sup>9</sup> ICC-01/04-01/07-251-Conf-Anx1

**INFORMS** the Chamber that the document ICC-01/04-01/07-251-Conf-Anx1 can be, at the request of the host State, reclassified as Public.

On behalf of the Registrar,

Marc Dubuisson,
Director, Division of Court Services

Dated this 14 March 2008

At The Hague, the Netherlands.