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THE PRESIDENCY

Before: Judge Sang-Hyun Song, President
Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, First Vice-President
Judge Hans-Peter Kaul, Second Vice-President

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF COTE D'IVOIRE

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**Decision Assigning the Situation in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire
to Pre-Trial Chamber II**

Decision to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court* to:

The Office of the Prosecutor

Prosecutor

Mr Luis Moreno Ocampo

Deputy Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda

REGISTRY

Registrar

Ms Silvana Arbia

Deputy Registrar

Mr Didier Preira

Other

Pre-Trial Chamber II

THE PRESIDENCY of the International Criminal Court (the “Court”);

NOTING article 38 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (the “Statute”);

NOTING the declaration of the Government of the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire of 18 April 2003 accepting the jurisdiction of the Court in accordance with article 12(3) of the Statute in respect of crimes committed on Ivorian territory since 19 September 2002;¹

NOTING the confirmation of that declaration on 14 December 2010 by the President of the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire;²

NOTING the letter of the President of the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire of 3 May 2011 reconfirming that declaration;³

NOTING the letter from the Prosecutor of 19 May 2011, hereto annexed, by which the Prosecutor informed the President of the Court, in accordance with regulation 45 of the Regulations of the Court of his intention to submit a request to the Pre-Trial Chamber under article 15(3) of the Statute for authorisation to open investigations into the situation in the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire since 28 November 2010, having drawn the conclusion that there is a reasonable basis to believe that crimes within the jurisdiction of the Court have been committed in the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire since 28 November 2010;

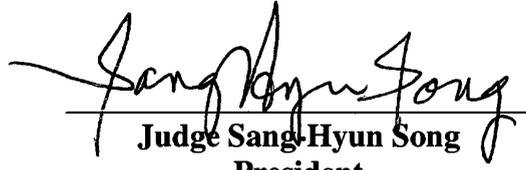
¹ <http://www.icc-cpi.int/NR/rdonlyres/7DA08D8E-FF5E-40C8-92D7-F058D5B032F3/279844/ICDEENG1.pdf>

² <http://www.icc-cpi.int/NR/rdonlyres/7DA08D8E-FF5E-40C8-92D7-F058D5B032F3/283211/OuattaraICCConfirmationLetter141211.pdf>

³ <http://www.icc-cpi.int/NR/rdonlyres/7DA08D8E-FF5E-40C8-92D7-F058D5B032F3/283315/LetterOuattaratoOTP030511.PDF>

HEREBY DECIDES that the situation in Côte d'Ivoire shall be assigned to Pre-Trial Chamber II with immediate effect.

Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.


Judge Sang-Hyun Song
President

Dated this 20 May 2011

At The Hague, The Netherlands