Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

Original: English

No.: ICC-01/04-01/10 Date: 04/08/2011

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before:

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, Presiding Judge Judge Sylvia Steiner Judge Cuno Tarfusser

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. CALLIXTE MBARUSHIMANA

Public Document

Defence response to the order requesting views and proposals on the schedule for the confirmation hearing

Source: Defence for Mr. Callixte Mbarushimana

Document to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations

of the Court to:

The Office of the Prosecutor Mr. Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor Ms. Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor Mr. Anton Steynberg, Senior Trial Lawyer	Counsel for the Defence Mr. Nicholas Kaufman Ms. Yael Vias Gvirsman
Legal Representatives of the Victims	Legal Representatives of the Applicants
Unrepresented Victims	Unrepresented Applicants (Participation/Reparation)
The Office of Public Counsel for Victims	The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence
States' Representatives	Amicus Curiae
REGISTRY	
Registrar	Defence Support Section
Ms. Silvana Arbia Deputy Registrar	
Victims and Witnesses Unit	Detention Section
Victims Participation and Reparations Section	Other

The Defence for Mr. Callixte Mbarushimana hereby files its response to Pre-Trial Chamber I's Order requesting the parties to submit views and proposals on confirmation hearing:¹

1. As previously indicated, the Defence intends to argue that certain aspects of the document containing the charges should be struck out for lack of specificity.² The Single Judge decided that these submissions should be presented at the confirmation hearing.³ Purusuant, therefore, to Rule 122(3) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Defence will raise the issue of specificity and other submissions pertaining to the form of the document containing the charges prior to the confirmation hearing.

2. The Defence will not present *viva voce* evidence⁴ but will rely on the written witness statements and the expert report that it has filed in its list of evidence.

3. The Defence estimates that it will require two days in order to present its arguments on the merits.

Nicholas haufman

Nicholas Kaufman Counsel for Callixte Mbarushimana

The Hague, the Netherlands

Thursday, August 04, 2011

¹ ICC-01/04-01/10-326.

² ICC-01/04-01/10-305.

³ ICC-01/04-01/10-306 at page 6.

⁴ The Defence formerly sought urgent clarification, by e-mail, of the days on which the Pre-Trial Chamber would be able to hear the testimony of Dr. Phil J. Clark citing the witness's tight travel schedule. The Pre-Trial Chamber, however, decided that it would defer its decision on the matter to a later date.