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THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before: Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, Presiding Judge

Judge Sang-Hyun Song Judge Cuno Tarfusser Judge Erkki Kourula

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. MATHIEU NGUDJOLO CHUI

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Registry's update on the situation in relation to Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui

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Counsel for Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui

Legal Representatives of the Victims

Legal Representatives of the Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants (Participation/Reparation)

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Victims

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Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

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The Registry of the International Criminal Court (the "Court");

NOTING the « Requête de la Défense tendant à obtenir de la Chambre d'appel une

injonction donnée à l'Unité d'aide aux victimes et aux témoins d'exécuter, et à l'Etat

hôte de respecter le jugement d'acquittement du 18 décembre 2012 rendu par la

Chambre de première instance II de la Cour pénale international », submitted by the

Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo on 29 January 2013;1

NOTING the "ADDENDUM à la « Requête de la Défense tendant à obtenir de la

Chambre d'appel une injonction donnée à l'Unité d'aide aux victimes et aux témoins

d'exécuter, et à l'Etat hôte de respecter le jugement d'acquittement du 18 décembre

2012 rendu par la Chambre de première instance II de la Cour pénale internationale »

submitted by the Defence for Mathieu Ngudjolo on 30 January 2013;²

NOTING the "SECOND ADDENDUM to "Defence request that the Appeals

Chamber order the Victims and Witnesses Unit to execute and the host State to

comply with the acquittal judgment of 18 December 2012 issued by Trial Chamber II

of the International Criminal Court", submitted by the Defence for Mathieu

Ngudjolo on 8 February 2013;3

NOTING the "Order on the filing of submission by the Registrar on the Defence

request of 8 February 2013", rendered by the Appeals Chamber on 15 February 2013;4

NOTING the "Observations du Greffe en application de la norme 24bis du

Règlement de la Cour au sujet du «SECOND ADDENDUM à la « Requête de la

¹ ICC-01/04-02/12-20

² ICC-01/04-02/12-21

³ ICC-01/04-02/12-22-tENG

4 ICC-01/04-02/12-24

Défense tendant à obtenir de la Chambre d'appel une injonction donnée à l'Unité d'aide aux victimes et aux témoins d'exécuter, et à l'Etat hôte de respecter le jugement d'acquittement du 18 décembre 2012 rendu par la Chambre de première instance II de la Cour pénale internationale» submitted by the Registrar on 22 February 2013;5

NOTING articles 43(6) and 68 of the Rome Statute and Regulation 24bis of the Regulations of the Court;

NOTING that the information contained in the Registry's update, the Registry has classified this document as confidential ex parte Registry only.

Respectfully, TRANSMITS, a brief update on the current situation of Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui to the Appeals Chamber.

A. General information:

1. By Judgment on 3 May 2013, the Rechtbank Den Haag (as a Court of Appeal sitting in Amsterdam) ordered the release of M. Ngujolo Chui from the alien retention Centre at Schiphol Airport based on the grounds that "alien retention, whilst an asylum procedure is on-going, cannot be continuous as no exceptions to the applicable law and procedures have been demonstrated".

2. [Redacted]

3. Shortly after his release from the retention centre, M. Ngudjolo was provided with a document indicating that he can legally and lawfully reside on the territory of

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the Netherlands. M. Ngudjolo is able to move freely in The Netherlands and is as such available to attend all hearings the Appeals Chamber may organize, if any, and cooperate with his Defence team in the preparation of his Appeal. The Registry was equally informed by the competent authorities of the Host State (IND – Immigratie-en NaturalisatieDienst) that a specific document ("W-document") for M. Ngudjolo was being processed and would be made available to him soon.

B. Protection related information:

- 4. [Redacted]
- 5. As soon as an appropriate place of relocation has been identified, all necessary measures will be taken in order to ensure M. Ngudjolo's departure at the earliest convenience. As mentioned in the Registry's transmission of information on 22 February 2013⁶ and reiterated hereafter, the lifting of the travel ban in relation to M. Ngudjolo can only be secured once his final destination is known.
- 6. [Redacted]
- 7. Should M. Ngudjolo be relocated in the near future, the Registry will facilitate his appearance, either in person of by way of video-link, at any hearings or status conferences the Appeals Chamber may want to organize.
- 8. Since his release from the retention centre, M. Ngudjolo is currently under the responsibility of the Registry of the International Criminal Court and is being monitored by the latter on a regular basis. Furthermore, the Registry would like to indicate that constant contact with the Defence team for M. Ngudjolo is maintained

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to address all issues he might have and to ensure that M. Ngudjolo remains available to present himself.

9. Also, the Registry would like to inform the Appeals Chamber that a meeting with the Defence team for Mathieu Ngudjolo is scheduled for 22 May 2013 to further discuss all relevant aspects of M. Ngudjolo's situation. The Registry will keep the Appeals Chamber informed on any development.

Marc Dubuisson, Director of the Division of Court Services

per delegation of

Herman von Hebel, Registrar

Dated this 3 June 2013

At The Hague in The Netherlands