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Before: Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Presiding Judge

Judge Robert Fremr

Judge Geoffrey Henderson

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR V. UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA

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Notice of withdrawal of the charges against Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta

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- 1. In light of the Trial Chamber's 3 December 2014 "Decision on Prosecution's application for a further adjournment", the Prosecution withdraws the charges against Mr Kenyatta.
- 2. The evidence has not improved to such an extent that Mr Kenyatta's alleged criminal responsibility can be proven beyond reasonable doubt. For this reason, and in light of the Trial Chamber's rejection of the Prosecution's request for an adjournment until the Government of Kenya complies with its co-operation obligations under the Rome Statute,² the Prosecution withdraws its charges.
- 3. As noted by the Trial Chamber, this withdrawal is without prejudice to the possibility of bringing new charges against Mr Kenyatta "at a later date, based on the same or similar factual circumstances, should [the Prosecution] obtain sufficient evidence to support such a course of action".³

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Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor

Dated this 5th day of December, 2014 At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-01/09-02/11-981, page 26.

² ICC-01/09-02/11-981, paras. 43-57.

³ ICC-01/09-02/11-981, para. 56.