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Submission of Information Regarding Dominic Ongwen

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The OTP respectfully notifies the Pre-Trial Chamber of information received this morning about the death of Dominic Ongwen.

Request for Sealing of This Submission

1. Because this submission contains information relating to warrants of arrest which are currently sealed, the OTP requests that this submission be received under seal, and *ex parte*. After unsealing, it will be appropriate to unseal this submission.

Death of Dominic Ongwen

- 2. The OTP received notification from the UPDF early this morning that Dominic Ongwen was killed on Sunday while in combat with the UPDF in Uganda. The body of Ongwen had been brought to a secure UPDF location, where it was identified yesterday by former LRA commanders.
- 3. The news of Ongwen's death is just becoming public, and the OTP is confirming other information about the circumstances of the death. The preliminary reports from the UPDF are that Ongwen's group had been engaged in attacks in Katakwi district and was fleeing from UPDF into Pader district when the UPDF engaged the group.
- 4. The OTP will notify the Chamber of any additional news that may bear on court proceedings. It is anticipated that the Government of Uganda will respond to the transmitted request for the arrest and surrender of Dominic ONGWEN, by furnishing notification of his death to the Registrar.

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5. In the view of the OTP, the death of Ongwen underscores the need for the warrants of arrest to become public as soon as is practicable. Only through full dissemination of information about the contents of the warrants of arrest, carried out by the Court itself, can the Court ensure the maximum possible support for arrest efforts, from States, organizations, and the public at large. For this reason, the OTP does not request any modification in its pending request to unseal the warrants of arrest.

Luis Moreno Ocampo Prosecutor

Dated this 5th day of October, 2005

At The Hague, The Netherlands