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**International
Criminal
Court**

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Date: 22 October 2014

TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Geoffrey Henderson, Presiding Judge
Judge Cuno Tarfusser
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuca

**SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE
IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. LAURENT GBAGBO***

Confidential

Order reducing the time limit to file a response

Order to be notified, in accordance with Regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court*, to:

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda

Mr James Stewart

Mr Eric MacDonald

Counsel for Laurent Gbagbo

Mr Emmanuel Altit

Ms Agathe Bahi Baroan

Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for
Victims**

Ms Paolina Massidda

**The Office of Public Counsel for the
Defence**

States' Representatives

Amicus Curiae

REGISTRY

Registrar

Mr Herman von Hebel

Counsel Support Section

Mr Esteban Peralta-Losilla

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Mr Nigel Verrill

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Ms Fiona McKay

Others

Trial Chamber I ('Chamber') of the International Criminal Court ('Court'), in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Laurent Gbagbo*, having regard to Regulations 23 *bis*, 24 and 34 of the Regulations of the Court ('Regulations') issues the following 'Order reducing the time limit to file a response'.

1. On 21 October 2014, the Defence team for Mr Laurent Gbagbo ('Defence') filed a '*Requête urgente, fondée sur des circonstances humanitaires exceptionnelles, déposée afin que le Président Gbagbo soit autorisé à se recueillir devant la dépouille de sa mère et à assister à son enterrement*' ('Defence Request'),¹ in which it, *inter alia*, requests Mr Gbagbo's interim release for a period of time not shorter than three days, subject to a number of conditions and guarantees, in order to participate in his mother's funeral.
2. On 22 October 2014, the Defence filed a public redacted version of the Defence Request.² Pursuant to Regulation 23 *bis* of the Regulations, the Chamber instructed the Registry to urgently reclassify the filing as 'confidential'.³ The Chamber notes that the Legal Representative of victims was notified of the Defence Request on 22 October 2014.
3. According to Regulation 24 of the Regulations, the parties may file a response to any document filed by any participant in the case. Victims or their legal representatives may also file a response when they are permitted to participate in the proceedings in accordance with Article 68(3) of the Statute, and Rule 89(1) of the Rules of procedure and evidence.

¹ Defence, *Requête urgente, fondée sur des circonstances humanitaires exceptionnelles, déposée afin que le Président Gbagbo soit autorisé à se recueillir devant la dépouille de sa mère et à assister à son enterrement*, 21 October 2014, ICC-02/11-01/11-697-Conf, with confidential annex.

² ICC-02/11-01/11-697-Red, with confidential annex.

³ Email from Legal Officer of the Chamber to the Registry, 22 October 2014, 10.28 and 11.30.

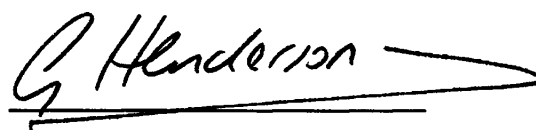
4. Pursuant to Regulation 34(b) of the Regulations, '[...] unless otherwise ordered', a response shall be filed within 21 days of notification of the document to which the participant is responding.
5. In light of the urgency and the nature of the request, the Chamber decides to reduce the time limit to file a response.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

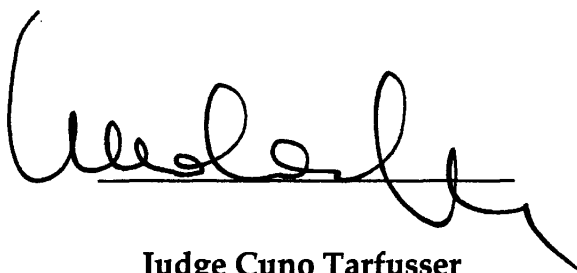
ORDERS the Prosecution and the Legal Representative of victims to file a response to the Defence Request, if any, by 24 October 2014; and

INSTRUCTS the Registry to file observations on the Defence Request by 24 October 2014.

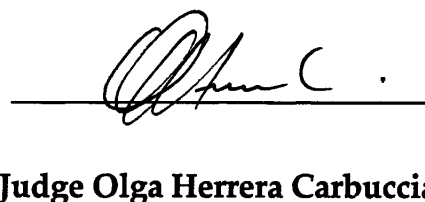
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Geoffrey Henderson, Presiding Judge



Judge Cuno Tarfusser



Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion

Dated 22 October 2014

At The Hague, The Netherlands