

**Cour
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**International
Criminal
Court**

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No.: **ICC-01/04**
Date: **3 September 2015**

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Joyce Aluoch, Presiding Judge
Judge Cuno Tarfusser
Judge Péter Kovács

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

Public

Decision designating a Single Judge

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

The Office of the Prosecutor
Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor
James Stewart, Deputy Prosecutor

Counsel for Defence

Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for
Victims**

Paolina Massidda

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

Xavier-Jean Keïta

States Representatives

Amicus Curiae

REGISTRY

Registrar

Herman von Hebel

Counsel Support Section

Esteban Peralta Losilla

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Nigel Verrill

Detention Section

Paddy Craig

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Fiona McKay

Others

1. **PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I** of the International Criminal Court, having been assigned the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (“Situation”),¹ hereby renders this decision with a view to ensuring the proper organisation of the proceedings.
2. The Chamber notes that, pursuant to article 39(2)(iii) of the Rome Statute (the “Statute”), the functions of the Pre-Trial Chamber shall be carried out either by three judges of the Pre-Trial Division or by a single judge of that Division in accordance with the Statute and the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the “Rules”).
3. Furthermore, according to article 57(2)(b) of the Statute, in all cases other than those listed in article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, a single judge of the Pre-Trial Chamber may exercise the functions provided for in the Statute, unless otherwise provided for in the Rules or by a majority of the Pre-Trial Chamber.
4. The Chamber recalls rule 7(1) of the Rules and regulation 47(1) of the Regulations of the Court according to which the designation of a single judge shall be based on objective criteria agreed upon by the Pre-Trial Chamber, including consideration of the issues involved, the circumstances of the proceedings before the Chamber, the distribution of work within the Chamber and the proper management and efficiency in the handling of cases.
5. The Chamber considers that in light of the abovementioned criteria it is appropriate to designate Judge Cuno Tarfusser as Single Judge responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber with respect to the Situation.

¹ Presidency, Decision re-assigning the Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 21 August 2015, ICC-01/04-639; Presidency, Decision on the constitution of Pre-Trial Chambers and on the assignment of the Mali situation, 16 March 2015, ICC-01/04-632.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER

designates Judge Cuno Tarfusser as Single Judge of Pre-Trial Chamber I responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber with respect to the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and any cases emanating therefrom.

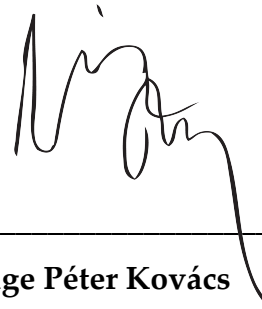
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Joyce Aluoch
Presiding Judge



Judge Cuno Tarfusser



Judge Péter Kovács

Dated this Thursday, 3 September 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands