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TRIAL CHAMBER X

Before: Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua, Presiding Judge
Judge Tomoko Akane
Judge Kimberly Prost

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF MALI

**IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. AL HASSAN AG ABDOUL AZIZ AG MOHAMED AG
MAHMOUD***

Public

Order setting deadline for observations on the conduct of proceedings

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

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TRIAL CHAMBER X of the International Criminal Court, in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Al Hassan Ag Abdoul Aziz Ag Mohamed Ag Mahmoud*, having regard to Article 64(8)(b) of the Rome Statute and Rules 134 and 140 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the ‘Rules’), issues the following ‘Order setting deadline for observations on the conduct of proceedings’.

1. On 10 December 2019, the Chamber issued the ‘Order Setting the Agenda for the First Status Conference’ in which it indicated that deadlines for written observations from the parties and participants on the conduct of proceedings would be set in due course.¹
2. The directions to be issued by the Chamber pursuant to Rule 140 of the Rules may include, *inter alia*, the following matters:²
 - (i) procedure for reading the charges;
 - (ii) opening statements (length, communication of material used during the opening statements and any related objection);
 - (iii) presentation of evidence by the parties and participants (length and duration, scheduling issues, notification of the forthcoming witnesses);
 - (iv) calling of witnesses (order, scope and mode of questioning, use of video-link, use of documents with witnesses, including notification and any related objection);
 - (v) submission and admission of evidence (general approach and approach to issues such as ‘bar table’ and Rule 68 motions);
 - (vi) modalities of victims’ participation;

¹ Order Setting the Agenda for the First Status Conference, ICC-01/12-01/18-521, fn. 3.

² See Chambers Practice Manual, fourth edition, 29 November 2019, <https://www.icc-cpi.int/iccdocs/other/191129-chamber-manual-eng.pdf>, para. 83.

- (vii) protective measures (requests, use of private/closed sessions, and the publication of public redacted transcripts) and special measures;
 - (viii) potential self-incrimination of witnesses;
 - (ix) expert witnesses; and
 - (x) interpretation and transcriptions (including verification and corrections thereof).
3. The parties and participants are invited to submit their observations on matters relevant to the conduct of proceedings, including any of the items listed in the preceding paragraph, by 27 February 2020 at the latest.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

DECIDES that the parties and participants may file observations on the conduct of proceedings, if any, by Thursday, 27 February 2020 at the latest.

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

Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua
Presiding Judge

Judge Tomoko Akane

Judge Kimberly Prost

Dated this Tuesday, 28 January 2020
At The Hague, The Netherlands