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## PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Robert Fremr, Presiding Judge

Judge Olga Herrera-Carbuccia Judge Geoffrey Henderson

## SITUATION IN THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA II

Public with public annexes I and II

Prosecution's Provision of the Supporting Document of the Referral Submitted by the Government of Venezuela

**Source:** Office of the Prosecutor

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- 1. On 17 February 2020, the Prosecutor filed a memorandum addressed to the Presidency, informing that on 13 February 2020, she received from the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela a referral under article 14 of the Rome Statute concerning a second situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela ("Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela II").¹ The Prosecutor's memorandum annexed the referral, while noting that it was accompanied by a supporting document, which further specified the relevant circumstances under which the crimes are alleged to have occurred.
- 2. On 19 February 2020, the Presidency assigned the Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela II to Pre-Trial Chamber III and reassigned the Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela I from Pre-Trial Chamber I to Pre-Trial Chamber III, with immediate effect.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. On 21 February 2020, the Prosecution transmitted for the Chamber's convenience an English translation of the referral that it had commissioned.<sup>3</sup>
- 4. For completeness of the record, the Prosecution now hereby transmits the supporting document submitted by the Government of Venezuela in accordance with article 14(2), after having obtained clarity from the Venezuelan authorities that it could

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision assigning the situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to Pre-Trial Chamber III, 19 February 2020, ICC-01/20-1-Anx I.

<sup>2</sup> Decision assigning the situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to Pre-Trial Chamber III, 19 February 2020, ICC-01/20-1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Prosecution's provision of an English translation of the Referral submitted by the Government of Venezuela, 21 February 2020, <u>ICC-01/20-3-Anx</u>.

do so publicly without restrictions. The supporting document has been provided by the Government of Venezuela in both Spanish and English versions.

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Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March of 2020 At The Hague, The Netherlands