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**No. ICC-01/18
Date: 26 May 2020**

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before:

**Judge Péter Kovács, Presiding Judge
Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut
Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou**

SITUATION IN THE STATE OF PALESTINE

Public

Order requesting additional information

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

) Fatou Bensouda
) James Stewart

Counsel for the Defence

Legal Representatives of Victims

) Liesbeth Zegveld
) Fergal Gaynor and
Nada Kiswanson van Hooydonk
) Bradley Parker and Khaled Quzmar
) Nitsana Darshan-Leitner
) Katherine Gallagher
) Raji Sourani, Chantal Meloni and
Triestino Mariniello
) Dominique Cochain Assi
) Gilles Devers
) Steven Powles QC and Sahar Francis

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants
for Participation/Reparations**

**The Office of Public Counsel
for Victims**

) Paolina Massidda
) Sarah Pellet

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

States Representatives

) The competent authorities of the
State of Palestine
) The competent authorities of the
State of Israel

Amici Curiae

REGISTRY

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Peter Lewis

Counsel Support Section

Victims and Witnesses Unit
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**Victims Participation and
Reparations Section**
Philipp Ambach

Other

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I of the International Criminal Court issues this Order requesting additional information.

1. On 22 January 2020, the Chamber received the ‘Prosecution request pursuant to article 19(3) for a ruling on the Court’s territorial jurisdiction in Palestine’ (the ‘Prosecutor’s Request’).¹
2. On 28 January 2020, the Chamber issued the ‘Order setting the procedure and the schedule for the submission of observations’, thereby *inter alia* inviting the State of Palestine (‘Palestine’), victims in the Situation in the State of Palestine, and the State of Israel (‘Israel’) to submit written observations on the question of jurisdiction set forth in paragraph 220 of the Prosecutor’s Request, without addressing any other issues arising from this Situation, by no later than 16 March 2020.²
3. On 16 March 2020, the Chamber received ‘[t]he State of Palestine’s observations in relation to the request for a ruling on the Court’s territorial jurisdiction in Palestine’.³
4. The Chamber notes rule 58(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, which provides, *inter alia*, that the Chamber ‘shall decide on the procedure to be followed and may take appropriate measures for the proper conduct of the proceedings’.
5. It has come to the Chamber’s attention that, on 19 May 2020, President Abbas declared *inter alia* that ‘the Palestine Liberation Organization and the State of Palestine are absolved, as of today, of all the agreements and understandings with the American and Israeli governments and of all the commitments based on these understandings and agreements, including the security ones’.⁴
6. The Chamber requests Palestine to provide additional information on this statement, including on the question whether it pertains to any of the Oslo agreements between Palestine and Israel, by no later than 10 June 2020.
7. In addition, the Chamber orders the Prosecutor and invites Israel to respond to any additional information submitted by Palestine by no later than 24 June 2020.

¹ [ICC-01/18-12](#), together with Public Annex A.

² [ICC-01/18-14](#).


³ [ICC-01/18-82](#) (submitted and notified on 16 March 2020).

⁴ Wafa Palestine News Agency, [President Abbas declares end to agreements with Israel, US; turns over responsibility on occupied lands to Israel](#), 19 May 2020.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

- a. **REQUESTS** Palestine to provide the additional information referred to in paragraph 6 of the present order by no later than 10 June 2020; and
- b. **ORDERS** the Prosecutor and **INVITES** Israel to submit a response to any additional information provided by Palestine by no later than 24 June 2020.

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



Judge Péter Kovács, Presiding Judge
_____**Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut**
_____**Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie
Alapini-Gansou**

Dated this Tuesday, 26 May 2020

At The Hague, The Netherlands