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**THE THREE JUDGES OF THE APPEALS CHAMBER APPOINTED FOR THE
REVIEW CONCERNING REDUCTION OF SENTENCE**

Before: Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa, Presiding
Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut
Judge Gocha Lordkipanidze

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF MALI

**IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR *v.* AHMAD AL FAQI AL MAHDI**

Public

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Registry and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

**Transmission of the Observations of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Northern Ireland on the Criteria Set Out in Rule 223 (a) to (e) of the Rules of
Procedure and Evidence**

Source: The Registry

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I. Transmission

1. In accordance with rules 13(1) and 176(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Registry transmits, as an annex to this filing, the written observations of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (“United Kingdom”) on the criteria set out in rule 223 (a) to (e) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence with regards to the review concerning the reduction of sentence of Mr Ahmad Al Faqi Al Mahdi (“Mr Al Mahdi”) and the transmission note verbale from the Embassy of the United Kingdom in The Hague (“Embassy”) dated 31 August 2021¹.
2. The observations are sent in response to the “*Scheduling order for the review concerning reduction of sentence of Mr Ahmad Al Faqi Al Mahdi*”² issued on 7 July 2021 by the panel of the three Judges of the Appeals Chamber appointed for the review concerning the reduction of sentence of Mr Al Mahdi (“the Panel”) and notified by the Registry to the Embassy on 9 July 2021.³

II. Classification

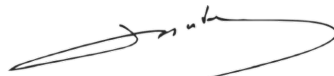
3. Pursuant to regulation 23bis (2) of the Regulations of the Court, the present submission is public as it refers to submissions filed with the same level of classification.
4. The annex is classified as confidential, EX PARTE, only available to Presidency, Defence, Registry and the United Kingdom because it contains personal

¹ United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, 31 August 2021, reference number 078.

² Three Judges of the Appeals Chamber appointed for the review concerning reduction of sentence, Scheduling order for the review concerning reduction of sentence of Mr Ahmad Al Faqi Al Mahdi, 7 July 2021, ICC-01/12-01/15-392. The translation in French has been recorded on 9 July 2021, ICC-01/12-01/15-392-tFRA.

³ Registry, Annex I to the Responses of the Authorities of the Republic of Mali and of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Orders for the review concerning reduction of sentence of Mr Ahmad Al Faqi Al Mahdi, 27 July 2021, ICC-01/12-01/15-402-Conf-AnxI.

information related to Mr Al Mahdi. A confidential redacted version of the annex will be filed at the earliest.



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Dated this 31 August 2021
At The Hague, the Netherlands