Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

Original: English

No. ICC-01/14-01/22

Date: 20 July 2022

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala, Presiding

Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua

Judge Tomoko Akane

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. MAXIME JEOFFROY ELI MOKOM GAWAKA

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

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Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparations

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Victims

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Mr Peter Lewis

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Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Other

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II of the International Criminal Court issues this Decision designating a Single Judge.

- 1. On 30 October 2018, the Prosecution applied for a warrant of arrest for Mr Maxime Jeoffroy Eli Mokom Gawaka ('Mr Mokom').¹ On 10 December 2018, the Chamber issued the requested warrant of arrest.²
- 2. On 14 March 2022, Mr Mokom was surrendered to the Court and arrived at the Detention Centre. He made his first appearance before the Chamber on 22 March 2022,³ during which the Chamber scheduled the confirmation of charges hearing to commence on 31 January 2023.
- 3. The Chamber notes articles 39(2)(b)(iii) and 57(2)(b) of the Rome Statute (the 'Statute'), rule 7(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and regulation 47 of the Regulations of the Court.
- 4. In light of the criteria contained in the aforementioned provisions and, in particular, the need to ensure the proper management, expeditiousness and efficiency of the proceedings, the Chamber considers it appropriate to designate Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala as Single Judge responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber, subject to article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, in the present case for the period from 23 July 2022 to 22 August 2022 (inclusive).

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¹ ICC-01/14-01/22-1-US-Exp (confidential redacted version notified on 17 March 2022; ICC-01/14-01/22-1-Conf-Red), with under seal *ex parte* Annexes A-K (confidential redacted version of Annexes B, C, E, G, J and K notified on 18 March 2022).

 $^{^2}$ ICC-01/14-01/22-2-US-Exp (public redacted version notified on 22 March 2022; ICC-01/14-01/22-2-Red2).

³ Order convening a hearing for the first appearance of Mr Mokom, 16 March 2022, ICC-01/14-01/22-21; Transcript of hearing, 22 March 2022, ICC-01/14-01/22-T-001-CONF-ENG (public redacted version notified on the same day; ICC-01/14-01/22-T-001-Red-ENG).

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

DESIGNATES Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala as Single Judge responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber, subject to article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, in the present case for the period from 23 July 2022 to 22 August 2022 (inclusive).

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

Judge Rosario Salvatore Aitala

Presiding

Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua

Judge Tomoko Akane

Dated this Wednesday, 20 July 2022

At The Hague, The Netherlands