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Annex I



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**Internal memorandum
Memorandum interne**

To À	Judge Silvia A. Hernández de Curmendi, President Judge Joyce Aluoch, First Vice-President Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Second Vice-President	From De	Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor 
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Date	28 September 2016	Attachments	2
Ref.	OTP2016/032672	Copies	Herman von Hebel, Registrar
Subject Objet	Notification referral from the Gabonese Republic pursuant to article 14 of the Rome Statute		

In accordance with the provisions of Regulation 45 of the Regulations of the Court, I hereby formally notify you that, on 21 September 2016, I received, from the Government of the Gabonese Republic a referral under article 14 of the Rome Statute, regarding a situation in Gabon. In a supplementary note transmitted to my Office on 28 September 2016, the Gabonese Republic clarified that the referred situation encompasses the totality of the Gabonese territory, and started in May 2016 with no end-date.

For your convenience, I attach the letter of referral and the power of attorney ("PoA") conferred by the President of the Gabonese Republic to the Minister of Justice and Human Rights and a further PoA executed in favour of Mr Patrick Klugman, counsel from the Paris Bar. Additionally, I attach the exchange of letters between my Office and the legal representatives of the Government of the Gabonese Republic, clarifying the scope of the referral. A statement publically acknowledging the referral will be issued tomorrow, Thursday, 29 September 2016. Should you require further information, my Office would be pleased to be of assistance. | orr