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**International
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Court**

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No.: **ICC-02/05-03/09**

Date: **15 May 2017**

TRIAL CHAMBER IV

Before: Judge Joyce Aluoch, Presiding Judge
Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji
Judge Geoffrey Henderson

SITUATION IN THE DARFUR, SUDAN

**IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. ABDALLAH BANDA ABAKAER NOURAIN***

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Request pursuant to Regulation 78 of the Regulations of the Court

Source: Defence Team of Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain

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

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Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants
(Participation/Reparation)**

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Victims**

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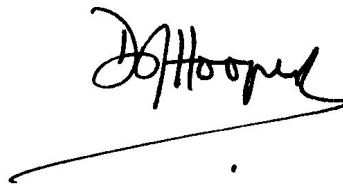
**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Other

1. Regulation 78 (1) of the Regulations of the Court states;

Regulation 78
Withdrawal of defence counsel

- (1) Prior to withdrawal, defence counsel shall seek the leave of the Chamber.
2. David Hooper Q.C, associate counsel in the present case, respectfully seeks leave of the Chamber to withdraw from the case. His decision to do so is taken in light of the Trial Chamber's decision of 11 September 2014 "suspend[ing] preparatory measures for the trial as well as rulings for pending filings until Mr. Banda's arrest or voluntary appearance before the Court".¹ As far as the Defence for Mr. Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain is aware, there has been no development in the case since that order. No remuneration has been claimed by counsel in the past two years. No prejudice to the accused or inconvenience to the Court arises from counsel's withdrawal. This request to withdraw is fully supported by Lead Counsel.
3. For the above reasons Associate Counsel requests leave to withdraw from the case.



David Hooper Q.C

Dated this 15th Day of May 2017
At The Hague, the Netherlands

¹ Warrant of arrest for Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain, ICC-02/05-03/09-606, para. 25.