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**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I**

**Before:** Judge Péter Kovács, Presiding Judge  
Judge Reine Alapini-Gansou  
Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera

**SITUATION IN THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA I**

**Public**

**With Confidential EX PARTE Annexes I to III only available to the Office of the Prosecutor and the Authorities of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela**

**Transmission of the observations communicated by the Authorities of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, pursuant to Pre-Trial Chamber I's Order ICC-02/18-21 of 18 November 2022**

**Source:** The Registry

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

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Victims**

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**Detention Section**

**Victims Participation and Reparations  
Section**

**Other**


## I. Transmission

1. Pursuant to Pre-Trial Chamber I's ("Chamber") "Order inviting observations and views and concerns of victims"<sup>1</sup> and in accordance with rules 13(1) and 176(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Registry hereby transmits the observations from the authorities of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, received by email and in person on 28 February 2023, together with their annexes and the transmission note verbale from the Permanent Mission of Venezuela to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, International Criminal Court and International Organisations and Courts based in the Kingdom of the Netherlands.<sup>2</sup>

## II. Classification

2. In accordance with regulation 23bis(1) of the Regulations of the Court, annexes I to III to the present filing are classified as confidential *ex parte* only available to the Office of the Prosecutor and the authorities of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela as requested by the State.

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Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services  
on behalf of Peter Lewis, Registrar

Dated this 1 March 2023

At The Hague, the Netherlands

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<sup>1</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, Order inviting observations and views and concerns of victims, 18 November 2022, ICC-02/18-21.

<sup>2</sup> Annexes I to III to the present filing.