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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Claude Jorda, Presiding Judge
Judge Akua Kuenyehia
Judge Sylvia Steiner

Registrar: Mr Bruno Cathala

SITUATION IN DARFUR, SUDAN

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Decision on Request for Extension of Time Limit

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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I ("the Chamber") of the International Criminal Court (the "Court");

NOTING the "Decision Inviting Observations in Application of Rule 103 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence"¹ ("the Decision") issued by the Chamber on 24 July 2006, whereby the Chamber invited, *inter alia*, Louise Arbour, High Commissioner of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights ("the UNHCHR") to submit her observations on issues concerning the protection of victims and preservation of evidence in Darfur, Sudan within notification of the Decision;

NOTING the "Application on behalf of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights for Variation of Time, Pursuant to Regulation 35, in respect of a Decision of Pre-Trial Chamber I Inviting Observations in Application of Rule 103 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence"² ("the Request"), by which an extension of 30 days is requested as (i) the personal attention of the High Commissioner is required; and (ii) the complexity of the issues raised by the Chamber require "in-depth consultation with other relevant components of the UN system";

NOTING rule 103 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and regulations 34 (a) and 35 of the Regulations of the Court ("the Regulations");

CONSIDERING that, pursuant to regulation 35 of the Regulation, the Chamber may extend a time limit if good cause is shown;

CONSIDERING that good cause has been shown by the Request;

¹ ICC-02/05-10.

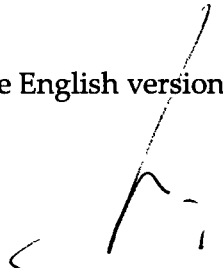
² ICC-02/05-11.

CONSIDERING that it would be appropriate to also extend the time limit for the submission of observations to the Chairperson of the International Commission of Inquiry on Darfur;

FOR THESE REASONS

DECIDES to grant an additional 30 days to Louise Arbour, High Commissioner of the UNHCHR as well as Antonio Cassese, Chairperson of the International Commission of Inquiry on Darfur, Sudan to submit their observations.

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



Judge Claude Jorda
Presiding Judge



Judge Akua Kuenyehia



Judge Sylvia Steiner

Dated this Monday 28 August 2006

At The Hague

The Netherlands