

**Cour
Pénale
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**International
Criminal
Court**



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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, Presiding Judge
Judge Hans-Peter Kaul
Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

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Decision designating a single judge

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

Office of the Prosecutor

Mr Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor
Ms Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor

Counsel for the Defence

Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
Participation/Reparations**

Office of Public Counsel for Victims

**Office of Public Counsel for the
Defence**

States' Representatives

Amicus Curiae

REGISTRY

Registrar

Ms Silvana Arbia, Registrar

Counsel Support Section

Deputy Registrar

Mr Didier Daniel Pereira

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Other

Pre-Trial Chamber I of the International Criminal Court (“the Chamber” and “the Court”, respectively), having been assigned the situation in Côte d’Ivoire,¹ renders the following decision designating a single judge.

1. The Chamber notes that article 39(2)(b)(iii) of the Rome Statute (“the Statute”) provides that the functions of the Pre-Trial Chamber shall be carried out either by three judges of the Pre-Trial Division or by a single judge of that division in accordance with the Statute and the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“the Rules”).

2. Article 57(2)(b) of the Statute further provides that in all cases other than those listed in article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, a single judge of the Pre-Trial Chamber may exercise the functions provided for in the Statute, unless otherwise provided for in the Rules or by a majority of the Pre-Trial Chamber.

3. The Chamber further recalls rule 7(1) of the Rules and regulation 47(1) of the Regulations of the Court, which provide that the designation of a single judge shall be based on objective criteria agreed upon by the Chamber, including “consideration of the issues involved and the circumstances of the proceedings before the Chamber, as well as the distribution of work within the Chamber and the proper management and efficiency in the handling of cases”.

4. In light of the above-mentioned criteria and in order, in particular, to ensure efficiency in the handling of the proceedings, the Chamber considers that it is appropriate to designate Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi as single judge responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber in relation to the proceedings of the situation in Côte d’Ivoire and any case emanating therefrom.

¹ ICC-01/11-37.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER

DESIGNATES Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi as single judge of Pre-Trial Chamber I responsible for carrying out the functions of the Chamber, subject to the provisions of article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, in relation to the situation in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire and any case emanating therefrom;

ORDERS the Registrar to file this decision in the record of the situation in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire and any case emanating therefrom.

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

[signed]

Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi
Presiding Judge

[signed]

Judge Hans-Peter Kaul
Judge

[signed]

Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert
Judge

Dated this Friday, 16 March 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands