

ANNEX B

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Summary of interview of P-1042 Interview Transcripts

OTP SUMMARY INTERVIEW: Barthelemy NAMSENMO (P-1042)

This summary pertains to the un-redacted portions of the following transcripts identified in Annex A of this filing:

Wednesday, 12 September 2018

CAR-OTP-2107-0159 - Track 1, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 1/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0202 - Track 2, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 1/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0243 - Track 3, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 1/4

Thursday, 13 September 2018

CAR-OTP-2107-0262 - Track 1, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 2/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0297 - Track 2, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 2/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0330 - Track 3, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 2/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0370 - Track 4, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 2/4

Friday, 14 September 2018

CAR-OTP-2107-0402 - Track 1, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 3/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0427 - Track 2, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 3/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0462 - Track 3, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 3/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0496 - Track 4, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 3/4

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CAR-OTP-2107-0554 - Track 1, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 4/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0591 - Track 2, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 4/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0623 - Track 3, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 4/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0660 - Track 4, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 4/4

CAR-OTP-2107-0691 - Track 5, Working copy of audio recorded interview Day 4/4

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Background

1. P-1042's name is Barthelemy NAMSENMO. He was born on 14 July 1972, in BOSSANGOA but he moved to CARNOT when he was a child.¹ His deceased father was a mechanic and driver. [REDACTED]²
2. The witness left CARNOT for DOUALA for work after his studies and he stayed there for five years before moving to DOBELE, about 35 km north of CARNOT, where he lived and worked as a trader and farmer for 20 years. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]⁴ He mentions [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]⁶
3. His nickname was "President" as he initiated the *Collectif des Centrafricains pour la reconciliation et reconstruction* ("CCCCR").⁷ [REDACTED]

¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0183-0184, ln. 843-851.

² CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0183-0186, ln. 852-869.

³ CAR-OTP-2107-0402, at 0421-0422, ln. 660-678.

⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0184-0186, ln. 875-928.

⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0402, at 0422, ln. 666-676; CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0560-0561, ln. 186-208.

⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0716, ln. 850-855.

⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0178, ln. 659-680.

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The Seleka's abuse and arrest of P-1042

4. The witness explains that the Seleka arrived in DOBELE on 29 March [2013]. At that time, the village chief had appointed P-1042 as his secretary. He states that the Seleka was based in KOTA-MAKOUNZI which was 45 km from CARNOT.⁹
5. P-1042 states that the Peuhls were unhappy that they were ordered to pay P-1042, 1.5 million Francs as compensation for their cows destroying his land,¹⁰ and thus paid the Seleka one million FCFA to kill the witness.¹¹
6. The witness describes being abducted one night after 18:00 hours. Three well-armed men in uniform came to his house and asked to see the witness and his motorbike. The men then took the witness to KOTA-MAKOUNZI and [REDACTED] P-1042 identifies [REDACTED] as the one who ordered his arrest. [REDACTED] questioned the witness and asked him if was an Anti-Balaka member. When the witness replied that he did not know anything about the Anti-Balaka, [REDACTED] threatened to kill him.¹²
7. The witness states that he was then brought to another location, about 100 meters off of a mining road. He was ordered to lie down on his stomach with his hands tied behind his back. P-1042 states that [REDACTED] shot him four times with a Kalashnikov, but all the bullets missed him. The Commandant then urinated in a box and poured it over the witness. The Commandant took a stick and hit the witness. P-1042 showed OTP investigators the resulting scars under his arm, on his shoulder, and on his head.¹³
8. The Commandant then ordered P-1042 to handover his SIMPLEX hunting rifle that was at his house. [REDACTED] handcuffed the witness and threatened to kill him. He was then driven to the middle of the savannah and ordered to go into the bush. The witness was once again shot at, but the bullets missed him.¹⁴ He was called a witch and an Anti-Balaka. The witness states that he was eventually brought to BAORO where he was imprisoned and threatened with death. The [REDACTED] of that prison was called [REDACTED]. The witness explains that he was in prison for three weeks including on the 5th of December 2013, when the Anti-Balaka entered BANGUI.¹⁵
9. The witness explains that [REDACTED] to ask for an explanation for his arrest. The Colonel's younger brother was there and recognised his [REDACTED]. He convinced [REDACTED] to free the witness. The witness was released from [REDACTED]

⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0178-0180, ln. 680-733.

⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0187-0188, ln. 959-1026.

¹⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0189-0191, ln. 1052-1094.

¹¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0191, ln. 1119-1120.

¹² CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0191, ln. 1128-1161.

¹³ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0193-0194, ln. 1163-1213.

¹⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0194-0196, ln. 1215-1270.

¹⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0196-0197, ln. 1283-1310. CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0203, ln. 22-28.

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prison after he paid 650,000 Francs as a “fine”. P-1042 describes the Colonel threatening to kill him if he ever left his village.¹⁶

Anti-Balaka origins, rituals, principles, and objectives

10. P-1042 states that while he was in prison, he met a man from the Anti-Balaka who was of the same ethnic group as him, and who would help the [REDACTED] by providing P-1042 water and remedies to drink.¹⁷ The [REDACTED] would pass these on to the witness. The witness states that this man from the Anti-Balaka introduced himself and explained the formation and activities of the Anti-Balaka.¹⁸ P-1042 was told that the Anti-Balaka was created in BOSSANGO and their base was at GOBERE.¹⁹ He explains that the Anti-Balaka left their base in BOSSANGO and split up in groups to go to each town, including BOUZOU, BANGUI, BOUAR, and BOSSEMPTELE, and that those who went to BOZOU continued to BAORO. P-1042 describes the Anti-Balaka groups recruiting the youth from the villages along the way.²⁰
11. He explains that the Anti-Balaka did not have sophisticated weapons or training formations and there was no financing or backing, as it was more of a popular revolution.²¹ P-1042 describes how the Anti-Balaka forces arose in response to Seleka crimes against the population, and that everyone would do what they could to defend their property. The Anti-Balaka would find each other through the telephone. People in different towns would call each other, for example BOUAR would call BOSSANGO, BOSSANGO would call BANGUI, BAMBARI would call CARNOT, etc. BOSSANGO was the headquarters for the remedies.²²
12. The witness explains that the Anti-Balaka organised and mobilised for the revolution via telephones.²³ He states that the FACA did not join the CARNOT Anti-Balaka group but had joined the Anti-Balaka groups in BOSSANGO and BOUAR.²⁴
13. The Anti-Balaka included women and children as young as ten years old, who would carry machetes to go with the adults.²⁵ Some of the leaders initiated at BOSSANGO included LIKANGOU, who gave remedies to the youth like a marabout.²⁶
14. P-1042 explains that the Anti-Balaka youth had to uphold certain principles along with taking certain remedies.²⁷ He explains that the remedies could only be given by the

¹⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0197-0199, ln. 1321-1385

¹⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0214, ln. 398-409, and 0216-0218, ln. 475-525.

¹⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0216-0218, ln. 475-525.

¹⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0218, ln. 535-547.

²⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0219-0220, ln. 550-603.

²¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0683, ln. 767-784.

²² CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0561, ln. 221-427.

²³ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0565-0566, ln. 355-403.

²⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0573, ln. 622-643, and at 0576, ln. 719-732.

²⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0569-0570, ln. 507-526.

²⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0570-0572, ln. 527-605.

²⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0408-0412, ln. 174-344.

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- Anti-Balaka chiefs who had been initiated in GOBERE.²⁸ These remedies would cost 2000 FCFA and could include, for example, rubbing powder on your body to protect you from machete cuts, or boiling your clothes in certain water that would protect you or family members from injury. Once the recruits were convinced that these remedies worked, they would be given *gris-gris* that protected them from bullets.²⁹ They drank the remedies to defend the Christians.³⁰ Anti-Balaka had to respect certain principles, such as not stealing the goods of the Christians you are defending, not beating them, not grabbing their property by force, not hitting or insulting women, refraining from eating certain things, and not having sexual intercourse for one year during war time.³¹
15. Those who breached these principals, or who sold fake remedies, were not protected by the remedies.³² If a real Anti-Balaka died, it is because he was not respecting the principles he was taught, such as not raping a woman without washing, looting or stealing another's property, insulting a woman, or neglecting his wife, or if there is a family disagreement.³³ P-1042 explains that the Anti-Balaka would also discipline the elements who had disrespected the remedies and the principles, including by forcing them to cook alone for more than 100 people.³⁴
16. P-1042 describes the Anti-Balaka's goal to kill and chase all the Muslims out of CAR. P-1042 explains that he thought that this was a mistake as Central African Republic ("CAR") nationals included RUNGA and GOULA Muslims and CAR nationals who had converted to Islam.³⁵ P-1042 explains that Anti-Balaka gathered near the GBERI river outside of CARNOT with the goal of chasing away and killing the Seleka and Peuhl Muslims.³⁶ The Anti-Balaka had the objective of killing the Peuhl Muslims and taking their cattle and selling it.³⁷ The witness confirms this after watching a 14 May 2014 video of armed Anti-Balaka in CARNOT with captured Peuhl women cattle,³⁸ although he claims not to recognise anyone in the video.³⁹

Role of Maxime MOKOM

17. P-1042 states that he has known Maxime MOKOM for a long time, and that MOKOM's father is Francois BOZIZE's younger brother. He explains that MOKOM used to be called the Commander of the Police, and NGAISSONA gave MOKOM the role of Deputy Coordinator when he returned from exile in ZAIRE (DRC).⁴⁰ Maxime MOKOM's younger brother, ROCCA MOKOM was a FACA Colonel who the Anti-

²⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0413-0414, ln. 353-384.

²⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0407-0410, ln. 155-274.

³⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0319, ln. 745-751.

³¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0410-0414, ln. 275-384.

³² CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0411-0413, ln. 277-351.

³³ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0414, ln. 381-398.

³⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0415, ln. 416-439.

³⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0233-0234, ln. 1051-1113.

³⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0415-0416, ln. 441-465.

³⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0628, ln. 145-164.

³⁸ CAR-OTP-2012-0477.

³⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0666-0669, ln. 200-297.

⁴⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0331-0332, ln. 30-46, and at 0346-0347, ln. 533-548.

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Balaka referred to as “Colonel” and who was a ComZone in charge of AMADAGAZA, and directed fighting against the Seleka in CARNOT. He went to BOUAR and BABUA.⁴¹ P-1042 states that the CAR government was preparing for the [May 2015] BANGUI forum, and BOZIZE and DJOTODIA met in NAIROBI [in January 2015] for reconciliation. He explains that NGAISSONA did not understand the reason for this meeting and NGAISSONA wanted to talk to SAMBA PANZA, SASSOU-NGUESSO, and the UN to find out who had organised the NAIROBI meeting. NGAISSONA did not receive a satisfactory explanation and thus, refused to send his men to NAIROBI. However, MOKOM gathered his supporters [REDACTED] and they went to NAIROBI for month-long reconciliation meeting anyway. P-1042 explains that at that meeting they met DJOTODIA and BOZIZE and signed an unofficial agreement to cease hostilities. P-1042 states that NGAISSONA’s men, including his group, only recognised the [July 2014] BRAZZAVILLE Agreement and not the agreement signed in NAIROBI.⁴²

18. [REDACTED]
19. P-1042 explains that at around the time of the NAIROBI talks, there was a split within the Anti-Balaka and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] MOKOM also declared himself as the new National Coordinator instead of NGAISSONA and this [REDACTED].⁴⁴ He states that ZORARYOANGA (aka Aimé-Blaise ZAOROYANGA), NDOTE, BABA, Emery TEKAFE, and ANDJILO were amongst MOKOM’s supporters,⁴⁵ as well as coordinators and ComZones from other regions such as BAORO, BOSSEMPTELE, YALOKÉ, BOZOU, GAMBOULAI, and BERBERATI, [REDACTED] [REDACTED].⁴⁶ [REDACTED]
20. P-1042 describes meeting MOKOM for the first time in the second half of 2014 (after the BRAZZAVILLE talks and before the NAIROBI talks) at a meeting in BANGUI in POUNGOULOU at NGAISSONA’s residence where NGAISSONA introduced MOKOM as his deputy, and said that they could work together.⁴⁸ He states that [REDACTED] and called his uncle and former President Francois BOZIZE to discuss it, and that P-1042 did not want to

⁴¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0574 at 0577-0579, ln. 760-836.

⁴² CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0332-0334, ln. 48-124, and at 0337, ln. 211-232 *See also* CAR-OTP-2090-0500.

⁴³ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0334-0336, ln. 127-184.

⁴⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0336-0339, ln. 193-294.

⁴⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0339, ln. 302-319 and at 0347, ln. 552-560.

⁴⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0341, ln. 341-369.

⁴⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0342-0343, ln. 373-437.

⁴⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0349-0350, ln. 620-659, and at 0355-0356, ln. 834-854.

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get involved in it.⁴⁹ P-1042 states that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]⁵⁰

Anti-Balaka attack on Muslims in BAORO and establishing a base outside CARNOT

21. He states that about two weeks after he was released from prison, the Anti-Balaka attacked BAORO.⁵¹ The witness explains that BAORO's [REDACTED] offered an unnamed Anti-Balaka leader 10 million FCFA to stop attacking BAORO but they refused as the Anti-Balaka did not want Muslims or Peuls in CAR.⁵² P-1042 states this unnamed Anti-Balaka came from the North, including BOSSANGO, ⁵³ to recruit the BAORO youth to join the Anti-Balaka and fight the Muslims.⁵⁴ P-1042 states that the Anti-Balaka chased away all the Muslims when they captured BAORO.⁵⁵
22. P-1042 describes the events in BAORO as a massacre because the Anti-Balaka were killing Muslims and the Muslims were also killing people. The Anti-Balaka destroyed the Muslims' houses in retaliation for the Muslims burning down the Christian houses.⁵⁶ P-1042 heard about these incidents from the Muslims who were fleeing BAORO. They bought water and food from him as he was a trader who was selling these small items.⁵⁷ The witness states that some of the Muslims were showing him their injuries that were caused by the Christians and others were telling him about the Christians they had killed.⁵⁸
23. P-1042 describes the Anti-Balaka settling in a place about 30 km from CARNOT after they had captured BAORO. He explains that they had sent out an envoy to CARNOT to recruit the youth there. P-1042 explains how they would recruit the youth by telling them that the Anti-Balaka will attack the Seleka and Muslims in CARNOT, and asked those who had suffered to come and join them and defend themselves.⁵⁹ He describes a large number of youth joining the Anti-Balaka and taking the *gris-gris*, drinking remedies, and vaccinations there.⁶⁰
24. P-1042 states that he twice visited the Anti-Balaka based about 30 km from CARNOT while the Seleka were still in CARNOT. He explains that he knew where their base was as he had sold food to them before.⁶¹ He explains that at first they were suspicious of him and thought that he was a traitor. P-1042 told the Anti-Balaka that he could not

⁴⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0352, ln. 726-743.

⁵⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0351-0355, ln. 679-826.

⁵¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0203, ln. 20-35.

⁵² CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0215-0216, ln. 456-459.

⁵³ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0219-0220, ln. 550-603.

⁵⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0216, ln. 461-472.

⁵⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0220, ln. 604-606.

⁵⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0204, ln. 36-65.

⁵⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0204-0206, ln. 66-107.

⁵⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0206, ln. 112-131.

⁵⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0406-0407, ln. 138-152.

⁶⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0220-0221, ln. 607-633.

⁶¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0226-0228, ln. 811-879.

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betray them because he himself was arrested and tortured by the Seleka in prison. P-1042 explains that he cannot recall the name of the chief of this Anti-Balaka group but he remembered but knew that he was from BOSSANGO. He also recalled meeting of a Peuhl in the group called [REDACTED] who was from BOZOUM.⁶²

25. The witness explains that the Anti-Balaka told him they had come from BOSSANGO to save the people of CARNOT. They told P-1042 that they would attack BERBARATI and other towns and the villages.⁶³ The Anti-Balaka wanted to mobilise themselves to enter CARNOT. The youth were furtively leaving CARNOT to join the Anti-Balaka.⁶⁴

Anti-Balaka attack on Muslims in CARNOT

26. P-1042 states that the Seleka left every nearby village and town and regrouped in CARNOT before leaving CARNOT. P-1042 states that the Mayor of CARNOT, the Sub-prefect YAKENDE, the Youth President, and the Council of Wise men, negotiated with the Anti-Balaka to avoid more killings and told them not to attack CARNOT while the Seleka were there.⁶⁵ The Wise Men also said the Anti-Balaka should target the Seleka, and not those innocent people who, for example, married Muslims, or those who fled to the enclave at the Catholic Church ("Parish") that was protected by Abbé Justin NARI.⁶⁶ The witness also states that after the meeting with the Anti-Balaka, the Council of Wise Men advised the CARNOT Muslims to leave the neighbourhood because the Anti-Balaka will enter CARNOT. P-1042 states that some of the Muslims took their advice fled to a refugee site at the Parish.⁶⁷
27. The Anti-Balaka entered CARNOT right after the Seleka left. P-1042 describes the Seleka warning the Muslims living in CARNOT to leave to avoid getting attacked by the Anti-Balaka. The witness states this happened in 2014, but he could not remember exact date.⁶⁸
28. Many Muslims had fled prior to the arrival of the Anti-Balaka.⁶⁹ Other Muslims who did not have the means or anywhere else to go outside of CARNOT went to the Parish which was protected by MISCA forces from Cameroon.⁷⁰ [REDACTED] was a big boss in CARNOT and was the main counsellor for all the internally displaced Muslims at the CARNOT Parish. His cousin [REDACTED] was also at the Parish as well.⁷¹
29. P-1042 states that many of the Muslims fled CARNOT and only ten Peuhls hid in [REDACTED]'s villa. The Anti-Balaka killed nine of the ten Peuhls hiding in [REDACTED]

⁶² CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0229, ln. 888-918.

⁶³ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0230, ln. 935-955.

⁶⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0230-0231, ln. 952-969.

⁶⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0428-0432, ln. 36-165.

⁶⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0433-0434, ln. 204-226, and at 0437, ln. 315-327.

⁶⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0439-0441, ln. 383-456.

⁶⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0231-0232, ln. 976-1022.

⁶⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0222, ln. 654-664.

⁷⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0232, ln. 1024-1047.

⁷¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0268-0269, ln. 199-228.

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- roof. The Red Cross carried the bodies away, covering the tenth one in blood to disguise it as a corpse so the Anti-Balaka would leave him alone.⁷² When confronted with the Red Cross body count of sixty Muslim cadavers at [REDACTED] villa, the witness says “everyone is responsible for his actions” and that he did not kill anyone.⁷³
30. The witness states that the Anti-Balaka entered CARNOT to attack the Muslim survivors.⁷⁴ He further state that if the Muslims had not fled to the Parish and had stayed in their houses in CARNOT, they would have been killed by Anti-Balaka as the Anti-Balaka did not distinguish between the Muslims and the Seleka.⁷⁵
31. P-1042 states that one massive Anti-Balaka group invaded CARNOT. P-1042 states that the Anti-Balaka group that was based outside PK18 near CARNOT was composed of youth from GOBERE, BOZOUM, BAORO and CARNOT.⁷⁶ P-1042 describes how more than 1000 Anti-Balaka elements left PK18 (18 km from CARNOT)⁷⁷ and entered CARNOT.⁷⁸ P-1042 describes that the Anti-Balaka who initially took over CARNOT were regular criminals from prison.⁷⁹
32. The witness claims that when the Anti-Balaka entered CARNOT he was in the bush about 35 km away, by his village of DOBELE.⁸⁰ The witness denies being involved in the attack on CARNOT, despite being confronted with other witnesses’ statements placing him in the start of Anti-Balaka activities there.⁸¹ The witness claims to have heard about the events in CARNOT from truck drivers who were on the road⁸² and from the Anti-Balaka who took part in the attack.⁸³ This is despite that, after being confronted with Anti-Balaka crimes against Muslims, he also claims that he was not in touch with the Anti-Balaka when they attacked CARNOT because deep in his heart he was frightened of them since they could easily kill him and there was no law enforcement to protect him.⁸⁴
33. The witness states that the Anti-Balaka destroyed houses, collected luggage, and found diamonds, and that although the Seleka had left CARNOT by that time, some Muslims had paid the Seleka for their weapons to defend themselves against the Anti-Balaka. SANGARIS disarmed these Muslims.⁸⁵ He further states that he heard that some of the Muslims who were not able to leave with the Seleka went into the bush and hid amongst Chadian Peuhls, who were arming them. The Anti-Balaka turned against the Peuhls because they were hiding and protecting the Muslim civilians and

⁷² CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0222-0223, ln. 667-796.

⁷³ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0639-0640, ln. 559-589.

⁷⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0432, ln. 164-173.

⁷⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0417, ln. 484-503.

⁷⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0425-0426, ln. 779-807.

⁷⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0406, ln. 105-114.

⁷⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0453-0455, ln. 858-942.

⁷⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0320, ln. 768-786.

⁸⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0235-0236, ln. 1126-1134.

⁸¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0644, ln. 714-725.

⁸² CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0236, ln. 1135-1155.

⁸³ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0456, ln. 962-976.

⁸⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0650, ln. 922-936.

⁸⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0456-0457, ln. 977-1024.

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providing arms to the Seleka.⁸⁶ The witness also describes the war he witnessed between the Anti-Balaka and the Chadian Peuhls.⁸⁷ This war led to the witness to send his family to CARNOT and he spent about two months in the bush to protect his cattle.⁸⁸

34. The witness states that the Anti-Balaka members who chased out the Chadian Peuhls took their cattle and brought them to the local market for the population to claim.⁸⁹

[REDACTED]

35. P-1042 explains that after spending two months in the bush, he returned to CARNOT as his life was endangered by the [REDACTED]. They were looking for him, as he had fed and supported the Anti-Balaka, and he was suspected of being an Anti-Balaka member. The witness claims that he was not an Anti-Balaka member back then.⁹¹ He states that the Seleka burned down his house and pillaged his belongings,⁹² and explains that he returned to CARNOT to find a way to support his family.⁹³ P-1042 explains that in CARNOT his family occupied a Muslim house that had been looted by the Anti-Balaka and was deserted.⁹⁴ He states that the owner of the house left to CHAD, and then to CAMEROON before returning to CARNOT to stay with his brother. The witness states that the owner told him to take care of his house as he was not ready to return to CARNOT permanently.⁹⁵ P-1042 states that subsequently the French SANGARIS entered CARNOT.⁹⁶

36. The witness describes how many Muslims who did not appreciate how the Seleka were treating the Christians fled to CAMEROON instead of staying to fight the Anti-Balaka. He says some of these Muslim men had married Central African women and converted them to Islam, and that this is why he does social cohesion work. He explains that those that stayed in CAMEROON are suffering a lot, and while some have come back to CARNOT, some stayed in CAMEROON. Their return could be organised with the assistance of an NGO or the [REDACTED]. Those Christians who are occupying these Muslims' homes and shops will not be happy when they find out the Muslims are returning. He states that if the brothers come back from CAMEROON, they could help finance and operate the mines to exploit them as now there is no money to exploit the mines.⁹⁷

⁸⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0237, ln. 1163-1189.

⁸⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0202 at 0237-0242, ln. 1188-1340.

⁸⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0244-0245, ln. 11-41.

⁸⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0250-0251, ln. 232-249.

⁹⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0251, ln. 250-266; CAR-OTP-2107-0623, at 0652-0657, ln. 1010-1176,.

⁹¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0253-0255, ln. 329-379.

⁹² CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0248, ln. 174-205, and at 0255, ln. 382-402,.

⁹³ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0256, ln. 409-411.

⁹⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0245, ln. 46-69.

⁹⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0247-0248, ln. 134-155.

⁹⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0256, ln. 417-418.

⁹⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0422-0425, ln. 687-778.

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37. The witness provides a handwritten list⁹⁸ of the murders and criminals from the Anti-Balaka members in CARNOT.⁹⁹ The witness also provides a handwritten list¹⁰⁰ of victims of Anti-Balaka attacks from 2014 through 2017 and describes that it was the fake Anti-Balaka who killed these people because they did not want Muslims in CARNOT or CAR anymore.¹⁰¹ P-1042 describes the Anti-Balaka crimes against the Muslims including, the murder of ZANABOULE, Aladji HAMADOU, and a Muslim trader Laurent NDORA on 18 February 2014.¹⁰² The witness states that he interviewed people about the crimes in the area as he was assigned by [REDACTED] in 2016 to document all the crimes committed from 2014 in CARNOT.¹⁰³
38. The witness states that since 2015 he often reported about the Anti-Balaka perpetrators to Papa DIEU (first name “Dieudonné” (i.e., NDOMATE). He describes Papa DIEU advising him to make list which could be forwarded to the National Coordination, and because the Coordinator would like to be informed. He describes telling Papa DIEU the names of some of these perpetrators over the phone in 2015.¹⁰⁴ Of the 43 perpetrators on his handwritten list, the witness marked 21 of them with a red star to indicate the names he provided to Papa DIEU for this purpose.¹⁰⁵ Papa DIEU informed the Coordinator of these names.¹⁰⁶ The witness explains that the Coordination, including NGAISSONA himself, responded by asking him to get the perpetrators arrested. NGAISSONA talked about this openly at Anti-Balaka meetings, such as the arrest of Emotion NAMSIO, ANDJILO, and CHIKI-CHIKI (aka Chrisostome YAPELE). P-1042 states that he informed the local authorities, including the Prosecutor, the Commissioner, the CB, the mayor, and MINUSCA, and it was up to them to arrest the perpetrators.¹⁰⁷ The witness explains that KONATE organised a meeting with the Anti-Balaka and advised them to stop committing crimes, but they did not listen to him.¹⁰⁸ P-1042 states that some of the Anti-Balaka from BANGUI were arrested and sent to prison under the orders of NGAISSONA. According to the witness, this was because, given everything they had done, sooner or later it would be NGAISSONA and his men who were prosecuted by the ICC, like Jean-Pierre BEMBA.¹⁰⁹
39. P-1042 states that the plan was for the Anti-Balaka to attack CARNOT and then move on down to “liberate” BERBERATI and GAMBOULAI, and that several leaders from

⁹⁸ CAR-OTP-2090-0487.

⁹⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0497-0508, ln. 6-390.

¹⁰⁰ CAR-OTP-2090-0484.

¹⁰¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0466-0469, ln. 111-208.

¹⁰² CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0466-0472, ln. 111-339.

¹⁰³ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0473-0476, ln. 346-453.

¹⁰⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0478-0483, ln. 544-655, and at 0488, ln. 865-871, and at 0495, ln. 1105-1112..

¹⁰⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0478-0483, ln. 544-655, and at 0488, ln. 865-871.

¹⁰⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0484, ln. 735-740.

¹⁰⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0483-0485, ln. 701-781, and at 0493-0495, ln. 1047-1011.

¹⁰⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0492-0493, ln. 1023-1034.

¹⁰⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0462 at 0493-0495, ln. 1055-1101.

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BOZOUUM and BOSSEMPTELE joined them to in the attack¹¹⁰ He describes the Anti-Balaka being joined by FACA in attacking the Muslims and pillaging their property in BERBERATI.¹¹¹

40. The witness is shown a news article from 11 February 2014¹¹² sourced from *Médecins Sans Frontières* (“MSF”) about the Anti-Balaka wanting to eliminate all the Muslims from CARNOT and conducting a search and seizure operation there where 86 displaced people were held, 7 were killed, and 3 were wounded including a twelve year-old child with machete wounds to the head.¹¹³ The witness first says that he is innocent.¹¹⁴ He then says that these are lies.¹¹⁵
41. After being shown a 14 May 2014 video of a MISCA commander discussing the arrest of several heavily armed Anti-Balaka in CARNOT and the seizure of their machetes and rifles,¹¹⁶ the witness recognises several Anti-Balaka depicted therein, including Hervé MATAKAN who is on the list of perpetrators the witness provided,¹¹⁷ and who was dismissed from the Anti-Balaka for misconduct in 2016 or 2017.¹¹⁸
42. The witness further alleges the conflict was not a religious war, but one about access to power.¹¹⁹

Anti-Balaka structure

43. P-1042 explains that every town had a ComZone, a Deputy Comzone, Coordinator and a Head of Operations. He states that they gathered at meetings at NGAISSONA’s place in POUNGOULOU.¹²⁰ P-1042 explains that this structure was in place after the meeting in Bangui and before he received his official mandate [in May 2015].¹²¹ He explains this after being shown the 10 December 2014 PCUD list of ComZones¹²² that he claimed he had never seen before.¹²³
44. P-1042 explains that CARNOT was divided geographically into CARNOT 1 and CARNOT 2. He states that he was in charge of both CARNOT 1 and 2.¹²⁴ P-1042 describes ZAOROYANGA as the ComZone, Joseph BABA as the Deputy ComZone and himself as the Coordinator. P-1042 describes ZAOROYANGA, meeting him

¹¹⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0616-0617, ln. 838-879; CAR-OTP-2107-0427 at 0441, ln. 451-467.

¹¹¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0618-0619, ln. 883-909.

¹¹² CAR-OTP-2001-2247.

¹¹³ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0632-0639, ln. 315-551.

¹¹⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0632-0633, ln. 311-337.

¹¹⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0637, ln. 466-488.

¹¹⁶ CAR-OTP-2023-1972.

¹¹⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0661-0666, ln. 15-196.

¹¹⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0702, ln.376-377.

¹¹⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0402, at 0417-0420, ln. 505-625.

¹²⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0273-0275, ln. 376-416.

¹²¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0301-0302, ln. 115-139; CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0596, ln. 140-169.

¹²² CAR-OTP-2030-0445.

¹²³ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0272-0274, ln. 323-380.

¹²⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0300, ln. 79-83.

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before he became a ComZone and encouraging him to leave the bush.¹²⁵ KOMIDOMO, alias KONGOMANI replaced ZAOROYANGA after his death.¹²⁶ He explains that GBANGAZA was the ComZone of CARNOT 2 and Emeric TEKAFFE was his Deputy.¹²⁷ P-1042 states that there was one name missing in the PCUD document which was BABE, alias B-13. P-1042 states that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]¹²⁸

45. The witness is also shown a February 2014 Anti-Balaka Declaration¹²⁹ and recognises the names of the Coordination members in BANGUI, and says they did not visit CARNOT, except that Sylvain BEOREFEI visited CARNOT and BERBERATI.¹³⁰
46. The witness is also shown a list of Anti-Balaka ComZones¹³¹ with his own name listed under CARNOT, and recognises several other names including YEKATOM, CHIKI-CHIKI, YAPENDE, Florent KEMA (who he met at the Coordination meeting in BANGUI), FEINDIRI, ANDJILO, and Nestor NGOUBOU (who was in jail at the request of NGAISSONA for sending elements to steal and rob).¹³² P-1042 states that Nestor NGOUBOU was elected as the Prefecture Coordinator in 2015 but he ended up in prison for abusing his authority and ordering children to commit crimes.¹³³ He confirmed that CHIKI-CHIKI, YAPENDE and KEMA had the role of ComZones.¹³⁴
47. The witness is shown a 17 February 2014 mission order signed by Thierry LEBENE (appended to a UN Expert report)¹³⁵ which he described as one that did not originate from the Coordination as it did not have NGAISSONA's signature.¹³⁶ P-1042 states that sometimes he would issue mission orders from CARNOT using an official stamp and his signature. If he was not around, Brice WEKENE, the secretary of Coordination of the Prefecture would issue them.¹³⁷ He explains that the mission orders he issued did not have the Anti-Balaka logo as only those orders that came directly from the General Directorate of the Coordination contained the Anti-Balaka logo.¹³⁸

Role as Anti-Balaka Coordinator in CARNOT

48. Despite his earlier statement that he attended Anti-Balaka meetings with MOKOM and NGAISSONA in BANGUI in the second half of 2014,¹³⁹ the witness denies being a

¹²⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0646-0648, ln. 800-882

¹²⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0275-0277, ln. 420-491

¹²⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0275-0277, ln. 420-491; CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0298-0300, ln. 21-76.

¹²⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0293-0296, ln. 1031-1120.

¹²⁹ CAR-OTP-2025-0380 at 0384.

¹³⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0597-0601, ln. 184-310.

¹³¹ CAR-OTP-2030-0232.

¹³² CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0601-0610, ln. 316-638.

¹³³ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0603-0604, ln. 379-431.

¹³⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0606-0608, ln. 488-575

¹³⁵ CAR-OTP-2001-6251 at 6300.

¹³⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0592, ln. 11-31.

¹³⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0391-0392, ln. 694-732.

¹³⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0593, ln. 51-65.

¹³⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0349-0350, ln. 620-659, and at 0355-0356, ln. 834-854.

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member of the Anti-Balaka in 2014, and claims to have only been an advisor to the Anti-Balaka starting from February 2015 to May 2015. He alleges that his official mandate allegedly started in May 2015.¹⁴⁰ He claims that prior to his official mandate as a Coordinator at this time,¹⁴¹ he was merely an advisor for an NGO.¹⁴² When confronted with a National Coordination document indicating that the witness was a ComZone for CARNOT in December 2014, the witness denies ever being a ComZone and says he was amongst the Anti-Balaka in December 2014 but he was not a member.¹⁴³

49. When confronted with call detail records from 2014 showing calls between the witness and several Anti-Balaka figures, the witness denies being in contact with Thierry NAGALI, Hippolyte AZOUNU, Vivien BEINA, but admits calling Patrick OROFEL, MAPAO, Amadou NDALE, Achille GODONAM (to meet at the funeral of BOZIZE's niece), and Freddy NGAISSONA (who helped organise picture-taking for Anti-Balaka badges in CARNOT).¹⁴⁴
50. P-1042 states that he was the Anti-Balaka Coordinator for both CARNOT 1 and CARNOT 2.¹⁴⁵ P-1042 states that there was a team from the National Coordination (including NGAISSONA's son Freddy) who came to CARNOT to take their pictures for badges and this was when he was told he was the most educated in town and thus, would be recommended to NGAISSONA.¹⁴⁶ He explains that after MINUSCA arrested (Sylvain) SINAKOLO, he was appointed as CARNOT Coordinator at an Anti-Balaka Coordination meeting at BANGUI.¹⁴⁷ The National Coordination in BANGUI informed him of the appointment.¹⁴⁸ He explains that Papa DIEU called on behalf of NGAISSONA and informed him that he was to be the Coordinator in CARNOT.¹⁴⁹
51. The witness explains that his role as a Coordinator of CARNOT was to listen to what the Anti-Balaka elements needed, and to liaise with the government at the locality. He describes contacting the local government, mayors, and NGOs to negotiate issues. He further describes holding monthly "security council" meetings. P-1042 explains that Anti-Balaka crimes were reported to him and the NGOs, and they would attempt to resolve the situation. The witness also referred serious cases to the Gendarmerie and Prosecutor,¹⁵⁰ as well as to the National Coordination, as detailed below.¹⁵¹
52. P-1042 states that the role of the ComZones was to command all the Anti-Balaka in their zone and they would order the Anti-Balaka to collect money at the barricades and split this money amongst themselves. P-1042 states that the Anti-Balaka would

¹⁴⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0708, ln. 558-579.

¹⁴¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0159 at 0180-0181, ln. 746-766.

¹⁴² CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0277-0278, ln. 498-534.

¹⁴³ CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0710-0712, ln. 632-704.

¹⁴⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0712-0719, ln. 705-935.

¹⁴⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0300, ln. 79-83.

¹⁴⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0359-0360, ln. 972-1010.

¹⁴⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0360-0361, ln. 1013-1030.

¹⁴⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0304-0306, ln. 238-284.

¹⁴⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0514, ln. 587-613.

¹⁵⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0306-0308, ln. 295-358.

¹⁵¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0696-0697, ln.154-185.

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check the people to see if they were with the Seleka. He explains that they could tell when it was the Seleka, as they did not speak Sango.¹⁵² The ComZone also acted as a judge by mediating problems between the population and charging them for this service, and to order the detention of those who were fighting. The people would have to pay the Anti-Balaka for this service.¹⁵³

53. P-1042 explains that as the Coordinator of CARNOT he often communicated with the ComZone ZAOROYANGA. [REDACTED] commission of crimes. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]¹⁵⁴ P-1042 describes the crimes committed by [REDACTED] and his group against the Christians, and that [REDACTED] stabbed him, and became his enemy because of all the crimes he committed, including the rape of women in CARNOT, as well as robbing, pillaging and looting.¹⁵⁵ Roland NDOU GBAGAZA was another ComZone in CARNOT, while OUMAROU SARPANDE was his deputy, or *chef de mission*.¹⁵⁶

54. P-1042 states that some of those Anti-Balaka who initially took over CARNOT, such as Oscar NDOWE (Chief of Operations¹⁵⁷), and BERBARATI ComZone CHIKI-CHIKI, had escaped from prison.¹⁵⁸ P-1042 states that NDOWE's duties included sending men to checkpoints to collect money when requested to do so by the ComZones.¹⁵⁹ In his role as Coordinator for CARNOT, P-1042 and CHIKI-CHIKI attended many meetings in BANGUI, and sometimes [the National Coordination] would call CHIKI-CHIKI and P-1042 to bring back order among ex-combatants.¹⁶⁰ P-1042 explains that NGAISSONA had asked those committing crimes such as to stop their criminality, as the war was over and that they should wait for the DDRR program [Disarmament, Demobilisation, Rehabilitation, and Reintegration]. NGAISSONA advised them that they must behave or else they will be held accountable by MINUSCA, the ICC and/or the CAR Criminal Court. P-1042 states that [REDACTED] heeded NGAISSONA's advice and stopped committing crimes.¹⁶¹ Yet, in a November 2014 news broadcast video, P-1042 identifies [REDACTED]¹⁶² amongst the Anti-Balaka elements who describe wanting to cut the Muslims' throats like a chicken's throat. [REDACTED] himself talks about chasing all the Muslims out of town and taking over their stores.¹⁶³ Further, the witness describes an August 2017 incident where [REDACTED] deceived and killed a diamond collector named [REDACTED] with the help of a group of bandits from BOSSEMPTELE, including [REDACTED].¹⁶⁴

¹⁵² CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0520-0521, ln. 805-833.

¹⁵³ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0310-0312, ln. 447-512.

¹⁵⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0313-0316, ln. 519-624.

¹⁵⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0316-0319, ln. 643-743.

¹⁵⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0614, ln. 751-778.

¹⁵⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0326, ln. 984-991.

¹⁵⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0320-0322, ln. 788-831.

¹⁵⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0327, ln. 1011-1020.

¹⁶⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0321-0324, ln. 808-900.

¹⁶¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0328-0329, ln. 1039-1076.

¹⁶² CAR-OTP-2001-7012.

¹⁶³ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0671-0672, ln. 356-406.

¹⁶⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0279-0286, ln. 549-790.

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55. P-1042 describes another incident that happened while he was living in DOBELE. He explains that he hid about seven Peuhls from the Anti-Balaka in his field in DOBELE. The SANGARIS sent a vehicle and brought the Peuhls back to CARNOT.¹⁶⁵ P-1042 states that he also protected an injured Peuhl boy from the Anti-Balaka. However, [REDACTED] came to arrest him on allegations of detaining the boy. They took the boy away and the witness fled to the bush and hid from them. The boy was eventually reunited with his mother.¹⁶⁶
56. P-1042 states that he in 2017 he was called to BAORO by DDR officials from Bangui who were heading to the BAORO Boarder. The DDR officials called as they heard rumours were being circulated that the CARNOT Anti-BALAKA were going to mobilise to BAORO and BOSSOMPTELE and were going to block the road from GARAM BOULAYE to BANGUI. He describes mediating this issue with the DDR officials.¹⁶⁷

Anti-Balaka meetings and disciplinary actions

57. The witness states that he and other Anti-Balaka gathered at meetings at NGAISSONA's place in POUNGOULOU, and sometimes invite Cardinal NZAPALAINGA.¹⁶⁸ The witness indicates that sometimes NGAISSONA would use radio and telephone to call the Anti-Balaka Coordination meetings, where he would invite the coordinators, ComZones, heads of operations, and advisors, for meetings in BANGUI, and that sometimes they would stay there for a month before returning to their original locations.¹⁶⁹ P-1042 confirms that he heard about NGAISSONA summoning Anti-Balaka ComZones and Coordinators to BANGUI before BRAZZAVILLE [July 2014]. He states that no one else from CARNOT went to BRAZZAVILLE, because they could not read or write.¹⁷⁰ P-1042 states that he met Florent KEMA, the Comzone of BOSSANGO, in a Coordination meeting at BANGUI.¹⁷¹
58. P-1042 explains that he and NGAISSONA were invited to every meeting organised by the international community. He describes only attending meetings in BANGUI every two to three months during the days of SAMBA PANZA due to some tensions.¹⁷² During the conflict, the witness would inform the Coordination of the robberies, threats, rapes, and looting that his elements committed, and the Coordination advised that the witness try to reason with his elements to get them to stop, before sending them to jail.¹⁷³

¹⁶⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0256-0257, ln. 420-465.

¹⁶⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0243 at 0257-0260, ln. 471-564.

¹⁶⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0394-0398, ln. 798-916.

¹⁶⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0273-0275, ln. 376-416.

¹⁶⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0302-0303, ln. 144-192.

¹⁷⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0358-0359, ln. 938-959.

¹⁷¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0608, ln. 548-575.

¹⁷² CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0361-0362, ln. 1031-1076.

¹⁷³ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0689-0690, ln.970-1016; CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0692-0693, ln. 10-63.

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59. P-1042 states that Anti-Balaka had separate meetings to discuss security issues in the country. He described discussions on stopping the disorder and crimes that were being committed.¹⁷⁴ He explains that he attended meetings in BANGUI in his role as Coordinator with other Coordinators or ComZones from all the different provinces and NGAISSONA was always present.¹⁷⁵ Other ComZones from CARNOT were afraid to go to BANGUI because they were afraid of being arrested and sent to prison.¹⁷⁶ He would see other ComZones there like KEMA from BOSSANGO, ¹⁷⁷ and GUY from GUEN.¹⁷⁸ He explains that he would communicate with the National Coordination via telephone and when he attended meetings in BANGUI, NGAISSONA would reimburse his travel costs.¹⁷⁹ P-1042 describes having phone contact with the other Coordinators and keep each other informed of events in each of their regions, for example BOUAR, BOZOUM, BOKANGA, BOSSEMPTELE, BERBERATI, GAMBOULAI, BODA, BAMBARI, KAGA-BANDORO, and BANGUI. He states that he would also update BANGUI of the events happening in CARNOT.¹⁸⁰
60. The witness also shown a draft Anti-Balaka press release¹⁸¹ from which he indicates that sometimes the Coordination, through Papa DIEU would inform him and others that Anti-Balaka delinquents should not attack NGO vehicles and that this had been a problem in the past.¹⁸² He was also shown a draft Anti-Balaka radio release¹⁸³ from which he acknowledged receiving directions from the Coordination to make sure that people are allowed to move freely.¹⁸⁴
61. After the conflict, the witness described informing the Coordination at these meetings that his elements ("mes enfants") did not listen to him and that they were committing robberies. The Coordination responded by saying they had to be punished and sent to the Gendarmerie because at that point the war was over and there was no sense in making their Christian brothers suffer, and since reconciliation had taken place, there was no need to harass your Muslim brother.¹⁸⁵ P-1042 called the Coordination many times about this, and Anti-Balaka members accused him of trying to imprison elements for no reason.¹⁸⁶ During this time, the Coordination would help arrest and expel these criminal Anti-Balaka elements and take their badges, but would not fine them.¹⁸⁷ The Coordination would ask local groups to dismiss these elements. For example, this happened when the witness informed the Coordination of the Anti-

¹⁷⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0363-0364, ln. 1101-1137.

¹⁷⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0361-0367, ln. 1020-1247.

¹⁷⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0365-0368, ln. 1167-1267.

¹⁷⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0608, ln. 547-575.

¹⁷⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0622, ln. 1018-1039.

¹⁷⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0583-0584, ln. 985-1004.

¹⁸⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0399-0400, ln. 952-1015.

¹⁸¹ CAR-OTP-2030-0245 at 0247.

¹⁸² CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0585-0588, ln. 1046-1165.

¹⁸³ CAR-OTP-2030-0243.

¹⁸⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0580-0590, ln. 1169-1215.

¹⁸⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0686-0688, ln.867-929.

¹⁸⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0696-0697, ln.154-185.

¹⁸⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0697-0699, ln.197-267.

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Balaka perpetrators on the list¹⁸⁸ he brought to the interview. The witness describes having monthly public meeting in 2016 and 2017 in CARNOT where he dismissed perpetrators from the local Anti-Balaka such as AYOUBA, B-13, Raymond LEMBE, ADAMOU, RIVA, Oscar NDOWE, Rambo RIMBAUD, BOUROUNDA, MANTI, ALILOU, Comin DOMO, KOMIDOMO alias KONGOMANI, Chien Méchant, Hervé MATAKAN, and Hervé GBANADJARA. [REDACTED] from a September 2017 to OTP investigators.¹⁸⁹

Anti-Balaka badges

62. P-1042 states that the National Coordination team composed of Lieutenant KONATE, Papa DIEU and his staff, came to CARNOT to take down names and make the Anti-Balaka badges. They charged them 5000 FCFA per person for the badge.¹⁹⁰ P-1042 explains that Papa DIEU of Operations asked him to coordinate this.¹⁹¹ He explains that this happened prior to the BRAZZAVILLE Agreement.¹⁹² P-1042 states that KONATE was the Spokesperson and he had visited CARNOT to meet the Anti-Balaka.¹⁹³ The witness later adds that Freddy NGAISSONA helped organise picture-taking for Anti-Balaka badges in CARNOT.¹⁹⁴
63. P-1042 states that the National Coordination team explained to them that those without a badge will not have access to DDR, and would not be known to the Coordination or regarded as Anti-Balaka.¹⁹⁵ P-1042 explains that the purpose of the badges was to differentiate between those who were Anti-BALAKA and those who were not.¹⁹⁶ Despite these consequences, there was a financial barrier to entry: those elements that could not pay the 5,000 fee were not given a badge.¹⁹⁷ The witness also describes this was a way of financially exploiting the Anti-Balaka members because those who received the money for the badges used it on food and alcohol.¹⁹⁸ P-1042 states that some bandits used the Anti-Balaka name to commit crimes, but they would be taken to the prison when found out.¹⁹⁹

¹⁸⁸ CAR-OTP-2090-0487.

¹⁸⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0690 at 0700-0783, ln.290-556.

¹⁹⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0371-0374, ln. 8-134.

¹⁹¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0374-0375, ln. 125-140.

¹⁹² CAR-OTP-2107-0330 at 0358-0360, ln. 938-1009.

¹⁹³ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0379, ln. 286-303.

¹⁹⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0691 at 0712-0719, ln. 705-935.

¹⁹⁵ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0382, ln. 397-406.

¹⁹⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0383, ln. 422-438.

¹⁹⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0383, ln. 418-423.

¹⁹⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0376-0377, ln. 181-221.

¹⁹⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0383-0384, ln. 439-476.

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64. P-1042 states that their badges had to be worn on trips to meetings and they were checked at checkpoints. The badges were used as an identification document during meetings.²⁰⁰

CARNOT Enclave

65. The witness explains that the remaining Muslims in CARNOT were enclaved at the CARNOT Parish.²⁰¹ The witness is shown a news broadcast video²⁰² of the Muslims trapped in the Parish and recognises the location.²⁰³ Muslims from all the villages (DOBELE, YORO, FOCA, MBOULA, BELLOU) around CARNOT also fled to the Parish to save their lives.²⁰⁴ After being shown news articles on the matter,²⁰⁵ the witness indicated that all the Muslims who were in distress from BODA and GUEN also fled to the Parish in CARNOT.²⁰⁶ P-1042 states that he did not visit the Muslims at the Parish as he was frightened of the [REDACTED] who would shoot on occasions at the Christians. He explains that he only went to that area after [REDACTED] was to protect the civilian population.²⁰⁷ The witness explains that the Mayor and the municipality did not have the power to evacuate the Muslims from the area as they were afraid of being killed by the Anti-Balaka.²⁰⁸ The witness states that the Muslims in the enclave asked the [REDACTED] to repatriate them, but this was not possible because they are Central African. Instead, [REDACTED]
66. P-1042 explains that the Muslims were in the Parish for three years and the National Coordination was aware of their situation in CARNOT.²¹⁰ The witness told the Coordination about the enclave by telephone, and that they were aware of everything that happened there.²¹¹ He further describes informing NGAISSONA about the problems in CARNOT and NGAISSONA promised to contact MINUSCA.²¹² The witness describes helping the Muslims leave enclave by organising a reconciliation meeting between the Muslims and the Anti-Balaka which was attended by WENEZOUÏ and other Anti-Balaka from BANGUI.²¹³ Anti-Balaka from [REDACTED]

²⁰⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0370 at 0390-0391, ln. 664-684.

²⁰¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0297 at 0319, ln. 736-740; CAR-OTP-2107-0402 at 0416, 466-479.

²⁰² CAR-OTP-2012-0477.

²⁰³ CAR-OTP-2107-0660 at 0666-0669, ln. 200-297.

²⁰⁴ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0626-0627, ln. 85-113

²⁰⁵ CAR-OTP-2001-4330 and CAR-OTP-2001-4401.

²⁰⁶ CAR-OTP-2107-0623 at 0624-0665, ln. 10-84.

²⁰⁷ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0523, ln. 889-918.

²⁰⁸ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0526-0527, ln. 1000-1018.

²⁰⁹ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0527, ln. 1026-1055.

²¹⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0528, ln. 1056-1067.

²¹¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0535-0536, ln. 1319-1333.

²¹² CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0538, ln. 1411-1421.

²¹³ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0530-0531, ln. 1146-1194.

Interview with VICE News

Social Cohesion and NGO Work

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[September 2018].²²⁰ He informed NGAISSONA of this work, which also included repairing and cleaning destroyed mosques.²²¹

70. P-1042's social cohesion work also extended to BODA, where he met with [REDACTED] Anti-Balaka ComZones, local officials, pastors from local churches, and the Imam from the Central Mosque, as well as representatives of Muslim groups.²²²
71. Civic leaders from GUEN also asked for P-1042's help in building social cohesion there after some of the Muslims there had fled from there to the Parish in CARNOT, and they asked the witness to liberate the Muslims from GUEN who were there.²²³

²²⁰ CAR-OTP-2107-0262 at 0269-0270, ln. 231-245; CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0539-0546, ln. 1442-1687.

²²¹ CAR-OTP-2107-0496 at 0547-0548, ln. 1724-1778.

²²² CAR-OTP-2107-0554 at 0556-0559, ln. 55-169.

²²³ CAR-OTP-2107-0591 at 0619-0621, ln. 929-987.