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**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I**

**Before:** Judge Nicolas Guillou, Presiding Judge  
Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou  
Judge Beti Hohler

**SITUATION IN THE STATE OF PALESTINE**

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**Public redacted version of “Twenty-fifth Registry Report on Information and Outreach Activities  
Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation”,  
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## I. Introduction

1. Pursuant to Pre-Trial Chamber I's "Decision on Information and Outreach for the Victims of the Situation" issued on 13 July 2018 ("Chamber" and "Decision of 13 July 2018", respectively),<sup>1</sup> the Registry hereby submits its twenty-fifth report on the progress of its activities related to information and outreach for victims and affected communities in the situation in the State of Palestine ("Situation").

## II. Procedural History

2. On 13 July 2018, the Chamber, in a previous composition, issued a decision by which it, *inter alia*, ordered the Registry to: *i*) "establish, as soon as practicable, a system of public information and outreach activities for the benefit of victims and affected communities of the situation in Palestine";<sup>2</sup> *ii*) submit an initial report on its activities "at a time deemed appropriate but no later than 14 December 2018" and inform the Chamber, every three months, about the progress of its information and outreach activities and the challenges encountered;<sup>3</sup> and *iii*) "create an informative page on the Court's website, especially directed to the victims in the situation of Palestine".<sup>4</sup>
3. Since 12 November 2018, the Registry files regularly periodic reports<sup>5</sup> on the progress relating to information and outreach activities for victims and affected communities in the Situation.
4. On 20 May 2024, the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court ("Prosecutor" and "ICC" or "Court", respectively) issued a statement

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<sup>1</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, "Decision on Information and Outreach for the Victims of the Situation", 13 July 2018, ICC-01/18-2.

<sup>2</sup> Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10, *lit.* a) and paras 13-18.

<sup>3</sup> Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10 *lit.* b) and para. 19.

<sup>4</sup> Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10 *lit.* c) and para.18.

<sup>5</sup> See last report - Registry, "Twenty-fourth Registry Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation" ("Registry Twenty-fourth Report"), 12 August 2024, ICC-01/18-328-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-328-Red.

regarding his request for arrest warrants on the one hand against Hamas leaders Yahya Sinwar, Mohammed Diab Ibrahim Al-Masri (also known as “Deif”) and Ismail Haniyeh, and on the other hand against Israeli government representatives Benjamin Netanyahu and Yoav Gallant, filed before the Chamber on the same day (“Prosecutor’s Request”).<sup>6</sup>

5. On 9 August 2024, the Chamber terminated the proceedings against Ismail Haniyeh following a request from the Prosecutor to withdraw the application for a warrant of arrest because of the changed circumstances caused by Mr Haniyeh’s death (“9 August Decision”).<sup>7</sup>
6. On 25 October 2024, the Presidency issued a decision, (i) replacing Judge Iulia Motoc, who had requested to be excused from her functions as a judge in the composition of the Chamber; and (ii) recomposing Pre-Trial Chamber I in the Situation (“Decision Replacing a Judge”).<sup>8</sup> On the same day, Judge Nicolas Guillou was elected as presiding judge of the Chamber (“Decision on Presiding Judge”).<sup>9</sup>

### III. Classification

7. Pursuant to regulation 23*bis*(1) of the Regulations of the Court (“RoC”), this report is classified as “confidential” since it contains sensitive information [Redacted].
8. The Registry will concomitantly file a public redacted version of the present report.

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<sup>6</sup> Statement of ICC Prosecutor Karim A. A. Khan KC: Applications for arrest warrants in the situation in the State of Palestine, 20 May 2024, <https://www.icc-cpi.int/news/statement-icc-prosecutor-karim-aa-khan-kc-applications-arrest-warrants-situation-state>. The Prosecutor’s Request is not publicly available.

<sup>7</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, “Decision terminating proceedings against Mr Ismail Haniye”, 9 August 2024, ICC-01/18-324-SECRET-Exp. The decision was reclassified as public on 6 September 2024, ICC-01/18-324.

<sup>8</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, “Decision replacing a judge in Pre-Trial Chamber I”, 25 October 2024, ICC-01/18-366.

<sup>9</sup> Pre-Trial Chamber I, “Notification of the election of a Presiding Judge”, 25 October 2024, ICC-01/18-367.

#### **IV. Applicable Law**

9. The Registry submits the present report pursuant to the Chamber's instruction,<sup>10</sup> as well as the applicable law recalled by the Chamber in its Decision of 13 July 2018,<sup>11</sup> and in accordance with regulations 8 and 23*bis*(1) of the RoC and regulation 6 of the Regulations of the Registry.

#### **V. Submissions**

##### **A. Registry activities during the reporting period (10 August – 11 November 2024)**

##### **a. Activities conducted by the Public Information and Outreach Section ("PIOS")**

10. During the reporting period, the PIOS disseminated the 9 August Decision, the Decision Replacing a Judge and the Decision on Presiding Judge to its target audiences. The Decisions were published on the Court's website and were further publicised with media outlets based in The Hague, international media, local media, [Redacted]. Other filings in the Situation were also published on the Court's website. Related questions were answered when received from the public and media.
11. Due to ongoing safety and security challenges and the specific phase of the proceedings, where no decision on the Prosecutor's Request has been issued, the PIOS was unable to organise outreach activities either on the ground or remotely. However, the PIOS took advantage of all available opportunities to engage with key stakeholders on issues relating to the Situation.
12. Following the Prosecutor's Request, and to mitigate the risk of misinformation, the PIOS had launched a targeted social media campaign (#ICCProcess) on the Court's Instagram, LinkedIn, Facebook and X/Twitter

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<sup>10</sup> Decision of 13 July 2018, para. 19 and Disposition, *lit. b*) on p. 10.

<sup>11</sup> Decision of 13 July 2018, para. 6.

platforms. Core information about the Court's jurisdiction, mandate and processes was shared in English, French, Arabic and Hebrew. While the campaign concluded during the last reporting period, the PIOS recently shared a compilation of all posts and visuals [Redacted].

13. The regular compilation of social media and traditional (online) media reports continued during the reporting period. These compilations are used to monitor perceptions and reactions, prepare responsive lines [Redacted]. The PIOS also referred to the Office of the Prosecutor several media inquiries focusing on issues within the latter's mandate.

**b. Activities carried out by the Victims Participation and Reparations Section ("VPRS") and information received**

14. During the reporting period, the VPRS responded to correspondence received from victims and other interlocutors seeking information about matters relating to victim participation and relevant judicial developments in the Situation, notably in relation to the Prosecutor's Request.
15. The VPRS was also in contact with a number of legal representatives of victims ("LRVs"), with whom it exchanged information on various issues related to victims' rights before the Court and the situation of their clients.
16. [Redacted].

**B. Subsequent activities**

**a) PIOS**

17. The PIOS will continue to inform the public and provide relevant information about judicial developments in the Situation, if any. It will carry on performing its regular activities of media monitoring, production of information materials in Arabic and Hebrew, and updating the website as well as its list of contacts when relevant.
18. [Redacted].

**b) VPRS**

19. The VPRS will continue to engage with representatives of victims' groups, either directly or through interlocutors, depending on the security situation, in order to inform them about their rights before the Court and assist them in exercising these rights. [Redacted].
20. The VPRS and the PIOS will continue to work closely together and carry out joint activities whenever possible and relevant.



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on behalf of Osvaldo Zavala Giler, Registrar

Dated this 12 November 2024

At The Hague, The Netherlands