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TRIAL CHAMBER V

Before:
Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge
Judge Péter Kovács
Judge Chang-ho Chung
Judge Beti Hohler, Alternate Judge

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II
IN THE CASE OF *THE PROSECUTOR* v.
ALFRED ROMBHOT YEKATOM & PATRICE-EDOUARD NGAÏSSONA

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Request for withdrawal

Source: **Defence for Mr. Alfred Rombhot Yekatom**

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1. In accordance with Regulation 78(1) of the Regulations of the Court, I respectfully request leave to withdraw as Associate Counsel for Mr. Alfred Yekatom in the case of *Prosecutor v. Yekatom and Ngaïssona* (ICC-01/14-01/18) with immediate effect.
2. This request follows my decision to retire from legal practice after 45 years and is submitted with the consent of both Mr. Yekatom and Lead Counsel, taking into account the final stages of the proceedings.
3. In the event that leave is granted, I affirm that I will adhere to all relevant provisions of the Code of Professional Conduct concerning confidentiality and record-keeping provided for in Articles 8, 15, and 17.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED ON THIS 6th DAY OF JANUARY 2025



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