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THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before: Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa, Presiding
Judge Luz del Carmen Ibáñez Carranza
Judge Kimberly Prost
Judge Gocha Lordkipanidze
Judge Erdenebalsuren Damdin

SITUATION IN CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

*IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v.
ALFRED ROMBHOT YEKATOM & PATRICE-EDOUARD NGAÏSSONA*

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**Prosecution's Observations to "Urgent Request for Amendment of Mr Yekatom's
Contact Restrictions" (ICC-01/14-01/18-2788)**

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I. SUBMISSIONS

1. Pursuant to the 30 July 2025 Appeals Chamber order,¹ the Office of the Prosecution ("Prosecution") provides its observations on the Defence's "*Urgent Request for Amendment of Mr Yekatom's Contact Restrictions*."²

2. As discussed *inter partes* and indicated by the Defence,³ the Prosecution does not oppose the sought temporary variation of YEKATOM's contact and communications restrictions, given YEKATOM's undertaking not to discuss or reveal any witnesses by name or pseudonym (irrespective of their protective measures) as well as not to discuss or reveal any confidential information of the case,⁴ and provided that YEKATOM's non privileged contacts will still continue to be monitored pursuant to Rule 174 of the Regulations of the Registry.⁵



Mame Mandiaye Niang, Deputy Prosecutor

Dated this 1st day of August 2025
At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-01/14-01/18-2792.

² ICC-01/14-01/18-2788 ("YEKATOM's Request").

³ ICC-01/14-01/18-2788, para. 16.

⁴ ICC-01/14-01/18-2788, paras. 2, 17.

⁵ ICC-01/14-01/18-2788, para. 16.