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Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou
Judge Beti Hohler

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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),¹ the Registry of the International Criminal Court ("Court") hereby submits its twenty-eighth 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 ("Palestine" and "Situation", respectively).

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";² (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;³ and (iii) "create an informative page on the Court's website, especially directed to the victims in the situation of Palestine".⁴
3. Since 12 November 2018, the Registry has regularly filed periodic reports⁵ on the progress relating to information and outreach activities for victims and affected communities in the Situation.

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

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

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

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

⁵ See last report - Registry, "Twenty-seventh Registry Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation" ("Registry Twenty-seventh Report"), 12 May 2025, ICC-01/18-427-Conf. A public redacted version was notified on the same date, ICC-01/18-427-Red.

4. On 28 May 2025, the Chamber issued a decision⁶ on the conduct of proceedings and other procedural matters related to the challenge to the jurisdiction of the Court brought by the State of Israel⁷ ("Decision of 28 May 2025"), in which it, *inter alia*, invited the "victims who have so far communicated with the Court in relation to the cases against Mr Netanyahu and Mr Gallant [...] to submit observations",⁸ instructed the Victims Participation and Reparations Section ("VPRS") to contact the relevant legal representatives of victims ("LRV(s)") in order to facilitate the submission of victims' observations, and encouraged the LRVs to consolidate their observations in one joint filing.⁹

III. Classification

5. 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].
6. The Registry will concomitantly file a public redacted version of the present report.

IV. Applicable Law

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

⁶ Chamber, "Decision on the conduct of proceedings and other procedural matters related to 'Israel's challenge to the jurisdiction of the Court pursuant to article 19(2) of the Rome Statute'", 28 May 2025, ICC-01/18-435.

⁷ State of Israel, "Public Redacted version of 'Israel's challenge to the jurisdiction of the Court pursuant to article 19(2) of the Rome Statute' ", 23 September 2024, ICC-01/18-354-AnxII-Corr.

⁸ *Ibid.*, para. 16.

⁹ *Ibid.*, para. 19.

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

¹¹ Decision of 13 July 2018, para. 6.

V. Submissions

A. Registry activities during the reporting period (10 May – 11 August 2025)

a. Activities conducted by the Public Information and Outreach Section (“PIOS”)

8. During the reporting period, the ongoing safety and security challenges affecting relevant stakeholders did not improve compared to the previous reporting period. In this context, while the PIOS was able to organise some meetings with key stakeholders, it remained unable to conduct outreach activities involving large number of participants. [Redacted].¹² [Redacted].
9. [Redacted].¹³ [Redacted].
10. To improve accessibility and ensure that key information is better understood by relevant audience, the PIOS continued working on the translation of relevant outreach pages of the Court’s website into Arabic and Hebrew.
11. [Redacted].
12. When relevant, filings related to the Situation and published on the Court’s website were shared with key stakeholders. [Redacted]

b. Activities carried out by the VPRS and information received

13. 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. The VPRS also maintained close collaboration with six LRV teams,¹⁴ responding to their queries regarding procedural developments, victims’ rights and legal representation of victims, and providing information and other assistance, as further detailed below.

¹² [Redacted].

¹³ [Redacted].

¹⁴ [Redacted].

14. Following a request received from [Redacted],¹⁵ on 12 May 2025, the VPRS conducted an online training session [Redacted]. The training covered the following topics: victims' rights before the Court, the victims application process, the role of the VPRS, the role of intermediaries, the standard victim application form and how to complete it, and good practices when engaging with victims and assisting them with submitting applications before the Court. [Redacted].
15. On 19 May 2025, [Redacted], the VPRS provided an online informative session on victims' rights before the ICC [Redacted].
16. Following the Decision of 28 May 2025, the VPRS shared with the Chamber a list of eighteen LRVs appointed by victims, in powers of attorney or victim application forms transmitted to the VPRS. The VPRS also reached out to these lawyers to inform them about the Decision and to ask them to inform the VPRS whether: *i*) they intend to submit observations on behalf of the victims they represent, and *ii*) they consent to VPRS sharing their contact information with other LRVs representing victims, for the purpose of presenting joint submission, in accordance with the Decision. The VPRS facilitated communications between LRVs and provided logistical support to some LRVs who requested assistance in filing their observations.
17. In June 2025, the VPRS had a series of meetings with two experts [Redacted]. The VPRS shared [Redacted], information about the mandate of the VPRS and the challenges it faces [Redacted].
18. On 16 July 2025, following a request received from [Redacted]¹⁶ [Redacted], the VPRS provided a training [Redacted]. The training followed the same structure and addressed the same topics as detailed above.¹⁷
19. Between 10 May and 31 July 2025, the VPRS received 179 application forms for participation in proceedings and/or reparations. All forms were filled

¹⁵ [Redacted].

¹⁶ [Redacted].

¹⁷ Supra, para. 14.

either in English or French. They include copies of supporting documents, which, when relevant, were sent to the Language Support Section for translation into English. [Redacted]. As a result of competing deadlines and absent case-specific proceedings following arrest/surrender, to date, the VPRS has not yet conducted any completeness checks or legal assessment on the victim application forms received.

20. Finally, during the reporting period, the VPRS continued to engage [Redacted].

B. Subsequent activities

a) PIOS

21. 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.
22. [Redacted].
23. [Redacted].
24. [Redacted].
25. Furthermore, in the coming months, the PIOS will continue producing tailored audio-visual materials about the Court in Arabic and Hebrew to address the views and concerns of Palestinian and Israeli victims.

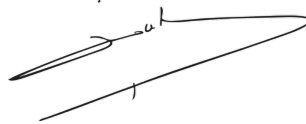
b) VPRS

26. 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. As part of its core activities, the VPRS organises trainings on how to fill in forms whenever possible, upon receiving requests

to do so. Interlocutors would be informed that any application forms received will be safely stored by the VPRS, observing maximum confidentiality.

27. [Redacted].

28. The VPRS and the PIOS will continue to work closely and carry out joint activities whenever possible and relevant. The Registry will also continue its efforts to communicate with the victims of the Situation, and to provide them with information about the Court and their rights.



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on behalf of
Osvaldo Zavala Giler, Registrar

Dated this 12 August 2025

At The Hague, The Netherlands