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THE APPEALS CHAMBER

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

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

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

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**Twelfth Registry Report on the Implementation of the Restrictions on Contacts of
Mr Yekatom Ordered by Trial Chamber V**

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Trial Chamber V

I. Introduction

1. Following the “Third Decision on Mr Yekatom’s Restrictions on Contacts and Communications in Detention”¹ issued by Trial Chamber V on 11 November 2020, whereby the Registry is ordered to report on the implementation of the restrictions on contact for Mr Alfred Yekatom (“Mr Yekatom”) every six months and noting the “Urgent Request for Amendment of Mr Yekatom’s Contact Restrictions” submitted by the Defence for Mr Yekatom on 25 July 2025 before the Appeals Chamber,² the Registry hereby submits its report before the latter. The Registry has no concerns to report.

II. Procedural History

2. Pursuant to a series of decisions,³ the following contact restrictions are currently in place for Mr Yekatom: (1) non-privileged phone calls and non-privileged visits are limited to individuals on his non-privileged contact list, whose identities and contact details have been duly verified beforehand by the Chief Custody Officer (“CCO”), who may request the support of the Victims and Witnesses Section; (2) written correspondence is restricted to individuals on the non-privileged contact list; (3) non-privileged communications are limited to the languages of French and Sango; and (4) the use of obscure or coded language and discussions related to his case are prohibited during non-privileged communications.

III. Applicable Law

3. For the purpose of the present submission, the Registry has considered regulation 99(1)(i) and 100 of the Regulations of the Court, and regulations 168,

¹ Trial Chamber V, “Third Decision on Mr Yekatom’s Restrictions on Contacts and Communications in Detention” (“11 November 2020 Decision”), 11 November 2020, ICC-01/14-01/18-727, para. 33.

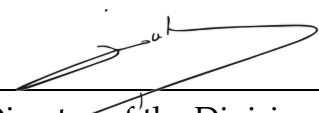
² Defence for Mr Yekatom, “Urgent Request for Amendment of Mr Yekatom’s Contact Restrictions”, 25 July 2025, ICC-01/14-01/18-2788.

³ See Registry, “Registry’s Observations on the “Urgent Request for Amendment of Mr Yekatom’s Contact Restrictions” (ICC-01/14-01/18-2788) dated 25 July 2025”, 11 August 2025, ICC-01/14-01/18-2797, footnote 3; Trial Chamber V, “Twelfth Decision on Mr Yekatom’s Restrictions on Contacts and Communications in Detention”, 26 March 2025, ICC-01/14-01/18-2767, para. 7.

169, 170, 173, 174, 175, 177, 179, 180, and 183 of the Regulations of the Registry ("RoR").

IV. Submissions

4. Since its previous report on the implementation of the restrictions on contacts of Mr Yekatom,⁴ the Registry has no concerns to report.
5. Pursuant to regulation 175(1) of the RoR, the Acting CCO has conducted random monitoring of Mr Yekatom's non-privileged telephone calls. As previously explained,⁵ random monitoring involves listening to a selection of these calls. In this regard, the Registry has no concerns to report.



Marc Dubuisson, Director of the Division of Judicial Services
on behalf of Osvaldo Zavala Giler, Registrar

Dated this 28 August 2025
At The Hague, the Netherlands

⁴ Registry, "Eleventh Registry Report on the Implementation of the Restrictions on Contacts for Mr Yekatom Ordered by Trial Chamber V", 28 February 2025, ICC-01/14-01/18-2764.

⁵ Registry, "Public Redacted Version of 'Ninth Registry Report on the Implementation of the Restrictions on Contact for Mr Alfred Yekatom Ordered by Trial Chamber V', filed on 28 February 2024, ICC-01/14-01/18-2383-Conf-Red", 25 April 2024, ICC-01/14-01/18-2383-Red, paras. 6, 7.