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THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before: Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa, Presiding Judge
Judge Luz del Carmen Ibáñez Carranza
Judge Gocha Lordkipanidze
Judge Kimberly Prost
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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**Victims' Consolidated Response to the Defence requests for extensions of the
page limit (ICC-01/14-01/18-2829 and ICC-01/14-01/18-2831)**

Source: Common Legal Representatives of Victims of Other Crimes

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Common Legal Representative of Victims of the Other Crimes (the “CLR/V”) herewith file their consolidated response to the “Yekatom Defence Request for an extension of page limit”¹ (the “Yekatom Request”) and the “Ngaïssona Defence Response to the ‘Yekatom Defence Request for an extension of page limit’, ICC-01/14-01/18-2829”² (the “Ngaïssona Request”, together the “Defence Requests”).

2. The CLR/V oppose the Defence Requests and consider the extension sought excessive. The CLR/V fully support the Prosecution’s arguments in response to the Defence Requests and submit that there are no exceptional circumstances warranting a 200-pages extension. As argued by the Prosecution, a more reasonable extension may be appropriate to allow the Defence to address simultaneously the appeal on the conviction and the sentence. Lastly, should the Appeals Chamber be minded to grant a page extension for the filing of the appeals briefs, the CLR/V respectfully request to be granted a commensurate extension of pages, considered appropriate by the Appeals Chamber, for their response.

II. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

3. On 24 October 2025, the Defence for Mr Yekatom filed its Request.

4. On 27 October 2025, the Defence for Mr Ngaïssona filed its Response, joining the Yekatom Request.

5. On 31 October 2025, the Prosecution filed its consolidated response to the Defence Requests (the “Prosecution Response”).³

¹ See the “Yekatom Defence Request for an extension of page limit”, No. [ICC-01/14-01/18-2829](#), 24 October 2025 (the “Yekatom Request”).

² See the “Ngaïssona Defence Response to the ‘Yekatom Defence Request for an extension of page limit’, ICC-01/14-01/18-2829”, No. [ICC-01/14-01/18-2831](#), 27 October 2025 (the “Ngaïssona Request”).

³ See the “Prosecution consolidated response to the Defence requests for extensions of the page limit”, No. ICC-01/14-01/18-2832, 31 October 2025 (the “Prosecution Response”).

III. SUBMISSIONS

6. The CLRV fully support and concur with the arguments developed in the Prosecution Response.

7. The CLRV, in particular, concur with the Prosecution's position that there are no exceptional circumstances warranting the 200-pages extension sought by both Defence teams.⁴

8. The CLRV further fully agree that the requested page extension will not promote procedural economy and risks lengthening the appeal proceedings,⁵ and that a more modest extension of page limit would be sufficient for the Defence to address both the conviction and sentence in one appeal brief.⁶

9. Lastly, the CLRV respectfully request, should the Appeals Chamber consider that an extension of the page limit is justified by exceptional circumstances, that they be given a commensurate extension of pages, considered appropriate by the Appeals Chamber, to be in a position to respond to the arguments raised by the Defence.

⁴ *Idem*, paras. 5-8, 10-12.

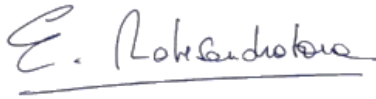
⁵ *Idem*, para. 8.

⁶ *Idem*, paras. 9, 13.

Respectfully submitted.



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