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Date: **7 November 2025**

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Iulia Antoanella Motoc, Presiding Judge
Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou
Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

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Source: Defence for Mr Rodrigo Roa Duterte

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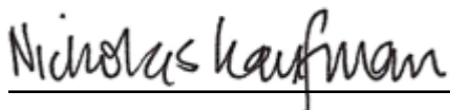
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1. The Defence reiterates its objection¹ to the appointment of [REDACTED] who, as the Defence has been reminded,² was impartially selected by the Pre-Trial Chamber to examine Mr Duterte³ along with two other individuals equally desired by the Prosecution.⁴
2. The Defence acknowledges the judicial appreciation of its “independent open-source research”⁵ and hopes that it will allow the Pre-Trial Chamber to conclusively determine whether an individual “currently suspended from the [REDACTED]’s register”,⁶ and who is being investigated for “breaches of patient confidentiality and concerns regarding threatening, harassing and coercive behaviour”, should be allowed to pass opinion on Mr Duterte’s fitness to stand trial.⁷
3. The Defence notes that [REDACTED] appears to have corroborated the charge of breaching patient confidentiality levelled at her by supplying information “that may not be directly related to the Duterte case and could potentially concern other patients”.⁸



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Dated this 7th day of November 2025
The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-01/21-01/25-280-Conf.

² ICC-01/21-01/25-288-Conf, para. 10.

³ ICC-01/21-01/25-279-Conf, para. 15.

⁴ ICC-01/21-01/25-276-Conf, para. 6.

⁵ ICC-01/21-01/25-288-Conf, para. 10.

⁶ ICC-01/21-01/25-293-Conf, para. 21.

⁷ ICC-01/21-01/25-293-Conf, para. 24.

⁸ ICC-01/21-01/25-296-Conf, para. 6.