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TRIAL CHAMBER V

Before: Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge
Judge Péter Kovács
Judge Chang-ho Chung

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

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

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Public Redacted Version of the “Registry’s Report on the Prosecution’s ‘Request for Reconsideration regarding In-Court Protective Measures for Prosecution Witness P-0954’, 21 March 2022, ICC-01/14-01/18-1319-Conf-Exp”, ICC-01/14-01/18-1333-Conf-Red2, filed on 25 March 2022

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I. Introduction

1. The Victims and Witnesses Unit (“VWU” or “Unit”) submits this report pursuant to Trial Chamber V’s (“Chamber”) instructions communicated by email on 22 March 2022 (“Instructions”).¹ The Chamber instructed the VWU to provide its observations on the Prosecution’s “Request for Reconsideration regarding In-Court Protective Measures for Prosecution Witness P-0954”² (“Request”) by 24 March 2022.

II. Classification

2. In accordance with regulation 23 *bis*(1) of the Regulations of the Court (“RoC”), the present report is classified as confidential following the Request with the same classification.

III. Report

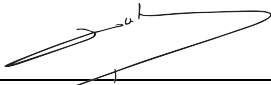
3. The witness was interviewed by the VWU [REDACTED]. The in-court protective measures were explained to the witness.
4. During the interview, [REDACTED]. The VWU explained to the witness that his identity has already been disclosed to the Defence.
5. [REDACTED]. This information however cannot be corroborated by the VWU.
6. The witness did not mention any direct threat to him or his family and the VWU is not aware of any past security threats or incidents.
7. The VWU agrees that the general security situation in CAR is precarious and that the civilian population suffers from that insecurity. However, the VWU fails to see the correlation between the witness’s testimony and the current general security situation in CAR.
8. The VWU acknowledges that there is a risk of the witness’s involvement with the Court becoming known [REDACTED] even to unintended threat actors.

¹ Trial Chamber V, email from the Trial Chamber V Communications sent on 22 March 2022 at 10h39.

² Prosecution, Request for Reconsideration regarding In-Court Protective Measures for Prosecution Witness P-0954, 21 March 2022, ICC-01/14-01/18-1319-Conf-Exp.

Limiting the disclosure of the witness's testimony [REDACTED] would limit the risk to the witness's safety.

9. For this reason, the VWU considers that maintaining the confidentiality of the witness's interaction with the Court is paramount to ensuring his physical security.
10. The VWU would also like to stress that the witness [REDACTED].
11. [REDACTED].
12. In conclusion, the VWU recommends granting in-court protective measures in the form of face distortion, voice distortion, use of a pseudonym and the redaction of any identifying information from any records that may be accessible by the public.



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

Dated this 20 February 2026
At The Hague, the Netherlands