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TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Joanna Korner, Presiding Judge
Judge Keebong Paek
Judge Nicolas Guillou

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

IN THE CASE OF *THE PROSECUTOR v. RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE*

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Public Redacted Version of “Registry Observations on the “Defence Request for Variation of Contact Restrictions” (ICC-01/21-01-25-452-Conf)”, ICC-01/21-01-25-458-Conf, filed on 8 June 2026

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I. Introduction

1. Pursuant to Trial Chamber III's ("Chamber") order¹ for the Registry to submit its observations on the "Defence Request for Variation of Contact Restrictions" ("Defence Request")² by 8 June 2026, the Registry hereby submits its observations.

II. Classification

2. In accordance with regulation 23 *bis*(1) of the Regulations of the Court, the present observations is classified as confidential, following the classification of the Defence Request.

III. Procedural History

3. Pursuant to a series of decisions,³ the Pre-Trial Chamber I [REDACTED].

IV. Observations

4. The Registry informs the Chamber that since its last report on the implementation of the Restrictions on Contact,⁴ it has no concern to report.
5. The VWU notes that its observations are limited to the potential re-instatement sought by the Defence. Pursuant to the Order, the VWU conducted an independent assessment and concluded that, based on the information available to it, it has identified no concern that would warrant an objection to the Defence Request, provided that the Restrictions on Contact remains in place.

¹ Email from the Chamber to the Registry on 29 May 2026 at 16:32.

² ICC-01/21-01/25-452-Conf with confidential Annex A, 29 May 2026.

³ [REDACTED].

⁴ Registry, "Fifth Registry Report on the Implementation of Restrictions on Contact", 3 November 2025, ICC-01/21-01/25-317-Conf-Exp

6. Operationally, should the Defence Request be granted and [REDACTED] be reinstated on Mr Duterte's non-privileged contact list, the Registry confirms that it has the capacity to implement the Restrictions on Contact on all their communications.

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

Dated this 16 June 2026

At The Hague, The Netherlands