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**TRIAL CHAMBER VI**

**Before:** Judge Miatta Maria Samba, Presiding Judge  
Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera  
Judge Sergio Gerardo Ugalde Godínez  
Judge Keebong Paek, Alternate Judge

**SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II**

**IN THE CASE OF  
THE PROSECUTOR *v.* MAHAMAT SAID ABDEL KANI**

**Public Document  
With Confidential Annexes I, III and IV and  
confidential *ex parte*, only available to the Registry Annex II**

**Public redacted version of “Registry’s Report on the Status of Execution of the  
Chamber’s Decision ICC-01/14-01/21-735-Conf”, 17 October 2024,  
ICC-01/14-01/21-878-Conf**

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☐ Unrepresented Applicants  
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☒ The Office of Public Counsel for Victims

☐ The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence

☐ Amicus Curiae

## REGISTRY

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**Registrar**

Mr Zavala Giler, Osvaldo

☒ Counsel Support Section

☒ Victims and Witnesses Unit

☐ Detention Section

☐ Victims Participation and  
Reparations Section

☐ Other

## **I. Introduction**

1. The Registry hereby submits its report on the status of the execution of Trial Chamber VI's ("Chamber") directions addressed to the Registry in its "Decision on the Prosecution's Request to Issue a Summons for P-0975" ("Decision").<sup>1</sup>

## **II. Confidentiality**

2. In accordance with regulation 23*bis*(2) of the Regulations of the Court, the present submission and Annexes I, II and IV are classified as confidential in line with the level of classification of the Decision. Annex III is classified as confidential, *ex parte*, Registry only because: i) the authorities of [REDACTED] did not indicate its level of classification of the documents when transmitting them to the Registry; and ii) the documents include the names of other individuals. The Registry will submit a request for reclassification of Annex II if [REDACTED] authorities agree to make it available to the parties (and participants), or will submit a redacted version thereof.

## **III. Applicable law**

The following legal provisions are of relevance to the present submission: articles 64(2), 64(6)(b) and (f), 68, 93(1)(a), (b), (d) and (l) of the Rome Statute, rules 13, 65, 171(5) and 176(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, regulation 31(3)(b) and 31(4) of the Regulations of the Court.

## **IV. Submissions**

3. In implementation of the Chamber's Decision, the Registry prepared a summons to appear for Witness P-0975 ("Summons") and, as per the Registry's practice, filed the Summons in the record of the case.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Trial Chamber VI, "Decision on the Prosecution's Request to Issue a Summons for P-0975", 2 April 2024, ICC-01/14-01/21-735-Conf.

<sup>2</sup> Registry, "Citation à comparaître adressée à [REDACTED]", 11 April 2024, ICC-01/14-01/21-740-Conf.

4. On 2 May 2024, the Registry transmitted a request to the [REDACTED] authorities for their cooperation to locate Witness P-0975 (“Witness”) and to serve him the Summons (“Request”).<sup>3</sup> The delay in the transmission of the Request is attributed to the absence of the [REDACTED] focal point, who was outside the country for a few weeks.
5. In order to assist the [REDACTED] authorities in locating the Witness, the Registry contacted [REDACTED] with the aim to obtain preliminary information on a possible location of the Witness. The [REDACTED] provided a report to the Registry on 22 July 2024 (“Report of the [REDACTED]”)<sup>4</sup> which indicates *inter alia*, that according to the [REDACTED]’s enquiries, the Witness is [REDACTED] and is currently abroad for studies.
6. Based on the information provided in the Report of the [REDACTED], the Registry continued to follow up with the [REDACTED] authorities, and in particular, with the [REDACTED], on the status of the execution of the Registry’s Request.
7. In August 2024, the [REDACTED] provided the Registry with telephone numbers of the Witness and invited the Registry to contact him directly. Some of the said numbers correspond to those which the Office of the Prosecutor had provided to the Registry. The Registry attempted to contact the Witness on the numbers provided by the [REDACTED] authorities but with no result.
8. The Registry was further informed by the [REDACTED] that the Witness was unavailable because he was abroad [REDACTED].
9. On 27 October 2024, in response to the Registry’s Request the [REDACTED] transmitted copies of official documents confirming that the Witness was

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<sup>3</sup> Annex I.

<sup>4</sup> Annex II.

assigned by the said [REDACTED].<sup>5</sup> The [REDACTED] authorities indicated verbally to the Registry that given that the Witness is [REDACTED], they are not in a position to serve him with the summons as this will require cooperation and coordination with the [REDACTED].

10. Given these particular and unusual circumstances, the Registry, on 7 October 2024, transmitted an additional note verbale to the [REDACTED] authorities requesting their cooperation to obtain the correct contact details of the Witness, if necessary, through [REDACTED], in order to enable the Registry to obtain any indication from the Witness whether he is willing to testify or not (“7 October 2024 Note Verbale”).<sup>6</sup> The Registry, in the 7 October 2024 Note Verbale, indicated to the [REDACTED] authorities that 15 October 2024 would be the deadline for the authorities to provide the requested information. To date, the Registry has not yet received any response from the [REDACTED] authorities to the 7 October 2024 Note Verbale.

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<sup>5</sup> Annex III.

<sup>6</sup> Annex IV.

11. Should the Registry receive any response from the [REDACTED] authorities and/or manage to obtain any indication from the Witness as to his willingness to testify, the Registry will report it to the Chamber. The Registry will continue to follow up with the [REDACTED] authorities pursuant to the Decision and bearing in mind the calendar set by the Chamber in its Third Decision on the Conduct of the Proceedings.<sup>7</sup>



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

Dated this 28 August 2026

At The Hague, The Netherlands

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<sup>7</sup> Trial Chamber VI, “Third Directions on the Conduct of the Proceedings”, 8 October 2024, ICC-01/14-01/21-873, paras. 4 and 5.