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THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before: Judge Navanethem Pillay, Presiding Judge
Judge Philippe Kirsch
Judge Georgios M. Pikis
Judge Sang-Hyun Song
Judge Erkki Kourula

Registrar: Mr Bruno Cathala

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Order of the Appeals Chamber on the date of filing of applications for participation and on the time of the filing of the responses thereto by the OPCD and the Prosecutor

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The Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Court,

In the appeal of the Prosecutor entitled “Prosecution’s Document in Support of Appeal against the 24 December 2007 Decision on the Victims’ Applications for Participation in the Proceedings” of 18 February 2008 (ICC-01/04-454),

Having before it

The “Demande du représentants légaux de VPRS 1, VPRS 2, VPRS 3, VPRS 4, VPRS 5, VPRS 6, et a/0071/06 aux fins d’autorisation de participer à l’appel interjeté par l’OPCD et le Procureur le 7 janvier 2008 et autorise par la Chambre Préliminaire I le 6 février 2008” of 28 February 2008 (ICC-01/04-474),

The “Requête du BCPV en tant que représentant légal des victimes autorisées a participer a la procédure dans le cadre de la situation en République démocratique du Congo aux fins de participation aux appels interlocutoires déposes par l’Accusation et le BCPD à l’encontre de la décision du 24 décembre 2007” of 28 February 2008 (ICC-01/04-476), and

The “Requête du BCPV en tant que représentant légal des demandeurs dans le cadre de la situation en République démocratique du Congo aux fins de participation aux appels interlocutoires déposes par l’Accusation et le BCPD à l’encontre de la décision du 24 décembre 2007” of 28 February 2008 (ICC-01/04-478),

Issues, Judge Song dissenting, pursuant to the provisions of article 68(3) of the Statute and rule 89(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence the following

ORDER

1. Applications for participation in this appeal may be filed by 10 March 2008.

Such applications shall include a statement in relation to whether and how the personal interests of the victims concerned are affected by this appeal, indicating why it is appropriate for the Appeals Chamber to permit their views and concerns to be presented at this stage of the proceedings and why

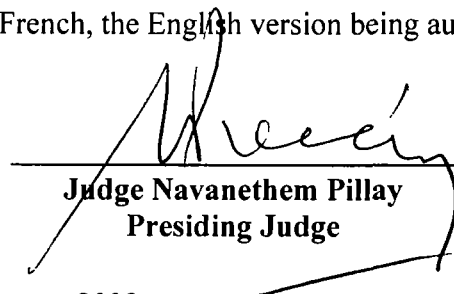


the presentation of such views and concerns would not be prejudicial to or inconsistent with the rights of the Defence.

2. The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence and the Prosecutor may file by 20 March 2008 a consolidated response to all applications received to date and those received by 10 March 2008, which may include submissions with regard to the right of victims to participate in this appeal, and the modalities for such participation.

Reasons for the order (of the majority and the dissent of Judge Song) will be given in the decision of the Appeals Chamber on the participation of victims.

Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Navanethem Pillay
Presiding Judge

Dated this 29th day of February 2008

At The Hague, The Netherlands