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**International
Criminal
Court**

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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, Presiding Judge
Judge Hans-Peter Kaul
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

**SITUATION OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR
*v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO***

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Decision on extension of time limit**

Decision to be notified, in accordance with regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court*, to:

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1. **Pre-Trial Chamber III** (the “Chamber”) of the International Criminal Court has been seized of a request by the Registrar to grant the extension of time to Monday, 27 October 2008 in order to finalise and submit a second report related to the monitoring of non-privileged communications by Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo (“Mr Jean-Pierre Bemba”).¹ Although the request has been addressed to Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra as Single Judge, it is considered that this request is submitted to the Chamber.

2. The Chamber recalls that in the context of disclosure of witness statements, Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, acting as Single Judge on behalf of the Chamber,² ordered the Registrar on 22 September 2008 to implement measures to monitor Mr Jean-Pierre Bemba’s non-privileged telephone by enabling the post facto listening to his incoming and outgoing telephone calls recorded since his arrival at the Detention centre on 3 July 2008. She further ordered the Registrar to submit a listening report to the Chamber by 20 October 2008.³

3. The Registrar submits that due to [REDACTED] the complexities encountered during the implementation of the decision of the then Single Judge on 22 September 2008, and the prospect of achieving better results in the said analysis warrant for an extension of time limit pursuant to regulation 35 of the Regulations of the Court (the “Regulations”).

4. The Chamber recalls regulations 24*bis* (1), 33 and 35 of the Regulations and notes that it was notified of the request on Monday, 20 October 2008 at 17h36. The Chamber considers that the present circumstances as submitted by the Registrar warrant an extension of time as requested.

¹ ICC-01/05-01/08-176-Conf.

² ICC-01/05-01/08-86.

³ ICC-01/05-01/08-118-tENG.

FOR THESE RASONS, THE CHAMBER DECIDES

to accept the request of the Registrar and retrospectively extends the time limit to file the report related to the monitoring of non-privileged communications by Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo until **Monday, 27 October 2008**.

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

Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra
Presiding Judge

Judge Hans-Peter Kaul

Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova

Dated this 22 October 2008

At The Hague, the Netherlands