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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, Presiding Judge
Judge Elizabeth Odio Benito
Judge Adrian Fulford

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

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**Prosecution's submission regarding email address to receive victims'
representations pursuant to Rule 50**

Source: Office of the Prosecutor

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Counsel for the Defence

Legal Representatives of the Victims

Legal Representatives of the Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants
(Participation/Reparation)**

**The Office of Public Counsel for
Victims**

**The Office of Public Counsel for the
Defence**

States' Representatives

Amicus Curiae

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Defence Support Section

Deputy Registrar

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Ms Fiona McKay

Other

1. On 17 June 2011, the Prosecutor provided notice to victims and their legal representatives of his intention to request authorization to open an investigation in the situation of Côte d'Ivoire and informed them that pursuant to Rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence they have 30 days to make their representations to the Chamber. In its notice, the Prosecution indicated that "victims can make their representations in writing to the Pre-Trial Chamber, which they should channel through the Registry". In order to enable the process to be conducted in the most efficient manner, the Prosecution further stated that "victims may also send their representations to the Pre-Trial Chamber to the following email address: otp.informationdesk@icc-cpi.int".¹ The Prosecution chose to use this email address, as Trial Chamber III had not yet been constituted at the time and the Prosecution was therefore unable to seek the directions of the Chamber.
2. On 23 June 2011, the Prosecution filed its "Request for authorisation of an investigation pursuant to article 15" ("Prosecution's Request").²
3. On 28 June 2011, a Prosecution team started a mission to Côte d'Ivoire, during which it is further publicizing the fact that it has requested the Chamber's authorization to open an investigation into the situation in Côte d'Ivoire and that victims may make their representation to Pre-Trial Chamber III. This mission will continue until 5 July 2011.
4. In order to ensure that victims' representations sent by email are duly provided to the Chamber, the Prosecution will forward all such incoming emails to the Chamber as soon as they are received. As of today, the Prosecution has not received any victims' representations through email.

¹ This is the email address that the Prosecution uses to receive communications pursuant to Article 15. Prior to publishing the notice referred to above, the Prosecution invited the Registry to provide an email address to which the victims' representations could be sent. By email of 15 June 2011, the Registry informed the Prosecution that it did "not have a suggestion to make as regards an email address to include [in the notice]".

² ICC-02/11-3.

5. Should the Chamber prefer emails regarding victims' representations to be addressed to it directly, the Prosecution requests the Chamber to identify an email address to that effect. In such case, the Prosecution will publicize the Chamber's email address and inform all organizations and entities referred to in paragraph 176 of the Prosecution Request accordingly.



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Dated this 30th day of June 2011
At The Hague, The Netherlands