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TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Sylvia Steiner, Presiding Judge
Judge Joyce Aluoch
Judge Kuniko Ozaki

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

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**Prosecution reply to "Defence Response to Prosecution Request to hear Witness
CAR-OTP-PPPP-0036's testimony via video-link"**

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1. The Office of the Prosecutor ("Prosecution") maintains its request of 10 January 2012¹ to hear Witness CAR-OTP-PPPP-0036's ("Witness 36") testimony via video-link. The Prosecution notes that the Defence does not oppose the request but complains about its timing and alleges that it is unsupported by evidence. While the Prosecution is not in possession of the witness's medical reports, Witness 36 has strongly expressed to the Prosecution his preference to testify via video-link based on his physical and emotional state. Given his justifiable reasons for video-link testimony and the importance of Witness 36's testimony to the instant case the Prosecution believes its unopposed request to be sufficiently justified and supported by Witness 36's own account of his injuries sustained on 8 July 2011.

2. The Prosecution requests that this application be received by Trial Chamber III ("Chamber") as "Confidential" as it replies to a confidential filing.

3. For the above reasons the Prosecution requests that the Chamber approve its request for Witness 36 to testify via video-link.



Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor

Dated this 19th Day of January 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-01/05-01/08-2038-Conf, Prosecution request to hear Witness CAR-OTP-PPPP-0036's testimony via videolink, 10 January 2012.