

**Cour
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**International
Criminal
Court**

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No.: ICC-01/05-01/08

Date: 31 January 2013

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***

Confidential

***Ex Parte* Defence and VWU only**

**Decision asking for observations on the “Defence Motion for an Order for
VWU to facilitate the testimony of Witness D-56”**

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Counsel for the Defence

Mr Aimé Kilolo Musamba

Mr Peter Haynes

Legal Representatives of the Victims

**Legal Representatives of the
Applicants**

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
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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Ms Silvana Arbia

Defence Support Section

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Ms Maria Luisa Martinod-Jacome

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Other

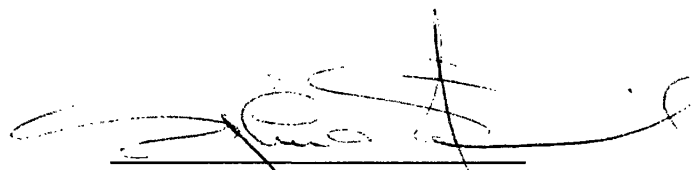
Trial Chamber III ("Chamber") of the International Criminal Court, in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*, issues the following Decision asking for observations on the "Defence Motion for an Order for VWU to facilitate the testimony of Witness D-56".

1. On 30 January 2013, the defence filed its "Defence Motion for an Order for VWU to facilitate the testimony of Witness D-56" ("Request"),¹ in which it requests the Chamber to order the Victims and Witnesses Unit ("VWU") to facilitate the testimony of Witness D-56 at the seat of the Court in The Hague.²
2. In order to take an informed decision on the Request, pursuant to Article 64(6)(f) of the Rome Statute and Regulations 24*bis* and 28 of the Regulations of the Court, the Chamber considers it appropriate to request the VWU's observations on the Request.
3. In view of the foregoing, the Chamber hereby ORDERS the VWU to file its observations on the Request, by no later than 16.00 on 4 February 2013.

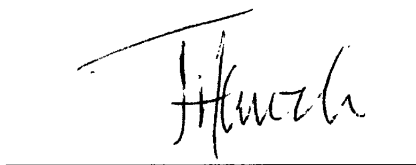
¹ Defence Motion for an Order for VWU to facilitate the testimony of Witness D-56, 30 January 2013, ICC-01/05-01/08-2494-Conf-Exp.

² ICC-01/05-01/08-2494-Conf-Exp, paragraph 12.

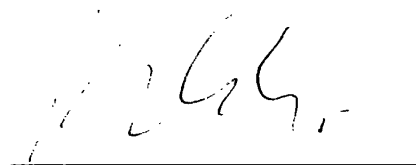
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Sylvia Steiner



Judge Joyce Aluoch



Judge Kuniko Ozaki

Dated this 31 January 2013

At The Hague, The Netherlands