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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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Further Revised Defence Submissions on the Order of Witnesses

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A. BACKGROUND

1. On 28 May 2013, the Defence filed its *Further Defence Submissions on the Order of Witnesses*. The Defence sought authorisation of Trial Chamber III (“the Chamber”) to amend its list of witnesses and proposed a new order and schedule for the next group of Defence witnesses. This schedule was based on the Defence’s understanding that the Registry of the International Criminal Court would be in a position to facilitate the video-link of the next scheduled group of witnesses from Monday, 3 June 2013.

2. Following this filing, the Defence was informed by Court Management Services, by way of an email, that the hearings on 3 June and 4 June 2013 had been cancelled.¹

B. SUBMISSIONS

3. Given this amended hearing schedule, and given the latest information available to the Defence concerning the availability and status of witnesses, the Defence requests the authorization of the Chamber to amend the order of presentation of witnesses as follows, and proposes the following estimated schedule for their testimony:

Witness D04-02: 5 June – 11 June 2013

Witness D04-09: 12 June – 17 June 2013

Witness D04-03: 18 June – 21 June 2013

Witness D04-04: 24 June – 27 June 2013

Witness D04-06: 28 June – 3 July 2013

¹ Email CMS to the Defence: “Bemba case: Cancellation of hearings Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 June 2013”, sent 28 May 2013 at 16:35.

Witness D04-08: 4 July – 10 July 2013

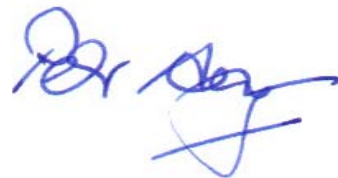
4. The Defence believes that this schedule is most likely to ensure the efficient presentation of its witnesses and minimize breaks in the proceedings. The proposed schedule is based on an estimation of the time the parties and participants will take to examine these witnesses, and as such is evidently subject to change. It is also based on the understanding that the trial will re-commence on 5 June 2013 without further cancellations, apart from those days already marked as “maintenance” on the publicly-available court calendar.

5. The Defence confirms that these witnesses remain willing and available to testify.

The whole respectfully submitted.



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Done on the 29th of May 2013
At The Hague, The Netherlands