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**International
Criminal
Court**

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

Date: 27 November 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***

**URGENT
Public**

Order convening a status conference

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

Ms Fatou Bensouda

Mr Jean-Jacques Badibanga

Counsel for the Defence

Mr Peter Haynes

Legal Representatives of the Victims

Ms Marie Edith Douzima-Lawson

Mr Assingambi Zarambaud

Legal Representatives of the Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for Victims

Ms Paolina Massidda

The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence

Mr Xavier-Jean Keita

States Representatives

Amicus Curiae

REGISTRY

Registrar

Mr Herman von Hebel

Defence Support Section

Victims and Witnesses Unit

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 Order convening a status conference.

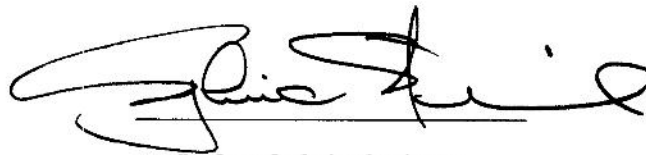
1. On 25 November 2013, Judge Cuno Tarfusser, the Single Judge designated to act on behalf of Pre-Trial Chamber II, issued a decision which affects the legal representation of the accused.¹
2. On 27 November 2013, the Chamber was informed that Mr Bemba had decided to release Mr Aimé Kilolo Musamba and Mr Jean-Jacques Mangenda Kabongo from their mandates and that a new composition of the defence team had been discussed.²
3. In view of the above and pursuant to Articles 64(2) and 67(1)(b) of the Rome Statute and Rules 132(2) and 141 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Chamber hereby **DECIDES** that:
 - (a) A public status conference will be held at 14.30 on Thursday, 28 November 2013;
 - (b) Issues to be discussed at the status conference shall include:
 - (i) The legal representation of the accused;
 - (ii) The impact, if any, of the changes in the composition of the defence team on the conclusion of the case;

¹ *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba et al.*, Decision setting a date for the first appearance of Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo, Aimé Kilolo Musamba and Fidèle Babala, and on issues relating to the publicity of the proceedings, 25 November 2013, ICC-01/05-01/13-11. See also *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba et al.*, Public redacted version of "Mandat d'arrêt à l'encontre de Jean-Pierre BEMBA GOMBO, Aimé KILOLO MUSAMBA, Jean-Jacques MANGENDA KABONGO, Fidèle BABALA WANDU et Narcisse ARIDO" of 20 November 2013, 27 November 2013, ICC-01/05-01/13-1-Red.

² Email from the Director of the Division of Court Services to the Chamber on 27 November 2013.

- (iii) Applicable deadlines for the submission of pending filings; and
 - (iv) Any other issues raised by the parties or participants;
- (c) The attendees at the status conference shall be the prosecution, the defence, the legal representatives of victims and representatives of the Registry; and
- (d) If necessary and upon reasoned request, a confidential or *ex parte* session may be held following the public hearing.

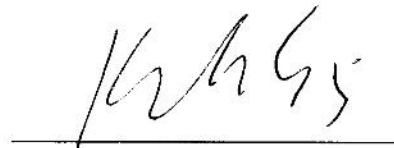
Done in both English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Sylvia Steiner



Judge Joyce Aluoch



Judge Kuniko Ozaki

Dated this 27 November 2013

At The Hague, the Netherlands