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THE PRESIDENCY

Before: Judge Sang-Hyun Song, President
Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, First Vice-President
Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Second Vice-President

**SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO,
AIMÉ KILOLO MUSAMBA,
JEAN-JACQUES MANGENDA KABONGO,
FIDÈLE BABALA WANDU
& NARCISSE ARIDO**

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Defence request for a page extension

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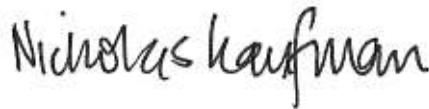
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1. On 20 December 2013, pursuant to Regulation 85(1) of the Regulations of the Court ("Regulations"), the Registrar rejected a request for legal assistance submitted by Mr. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo ("the Suspect") in case ICC-01/05-01/13 ("the Impugned Decision").
2. Pursuant to Regulation 85(3), Counsel for the Suspect has prepared a request for judicial review of the Impugned Decision which, despite his best efforts, runs to 22 pages.
3. The Suspect is neither a first-time nor a second-time applicant for legal assistance. Indeed, judicial review of the Impugned Decision will require that the Presidency be appropriately appraised of the long history of the Suspect's previous interactions with the Court and the Registry regarding legal assistance.
4. In light of the aforementioned, Counsel for the Suspect respectfully requests that the Presidency find that exceptional circumstances are established permitting him to exceed the page limit fixed in Regulation 37(1).
5. The deadline for filing the request for judicial review falls on Tuesday 7 January 2014.



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