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Judge Hans-Peter Kaul
Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. SIMONE GBAGBO

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Prosecution's response to Côte d'Ivoire's request to provide additional documents

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Introduction

1. On 14 February 2014, Côte d'Ivoire submitted to the Chamber its "*Demande d'autorisation de la République de Côte d'Ivoire aux fins de déposer des documents complémentaires à l'appui de la Requête de la République de Côte d'Ivoire sur la recevabilité de l'affaire Le Procureur c. Simone Gbagbo, et demande de sursis à exécution en vertu des articles 17, 19 et 95 du Statut de Rome*" ("Request").¹ The Prosecution is not opposed to the Request. However, the Prosecution submits that if the Request is granted, a reasonable period of time would be required to review the additional documents prior to filing its observations on Côte d'Ivoire's "*Requête de la République de Côte d'Ivoire sur la recevabilité de l'affaire Le Procureur c. Simone Gbagbo, et demande de sursis à exécution en vertu des articles 17, 19 et 95 du Statut de Rome*" ("Admissibility Challenge").²

Submissions

2. In its Request, Côte d'Ivoire informs that it is "[...] *en mesure de produire une quinzaine de documents complémentaires [...]*". From the description provided it appears that these documents would be relevant to issues to be considered by the Chamber in the Admissibility Challenge. Consequently, the Prosecution is not opposed to the Request.
3. If the Request is granted, the Prosecution would request a reasonable amount of time to review the documents before submitting its observations on the Admissibility Challenge.
4. The Prosecution submits that two weeks from the date the additional documents are provided would be a reasonable amount of time to review them in order to file its observations on the Admissibility Challenge. As the Prosecution's

¹ ICC-02/11-01/12-30.

² ICC-02/11-01/12-11-Conf; and ICC-02/11-01/12-11-Red.

observations on the Admissibility Challenge are to be filed on 24 February 2014,³ granting further time to review the additional documents would require changing this deadline.



Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor

Dated this 17th day of February 2014

At The Hague, The Netherlands

³ ICC-02/11-01/12-29, p 6; this decision establishes the same deadline for the Office of Public Counsel for Victims and decision ICC-02/11-01/12-24, p. 6, establishes the same deadline for the Defence.