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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Cuno Tarfusser, Single Judge

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 and NARCISSE ARIDO***

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**Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo's
response to Prosecution filing ICC-01/05-01/13-608**

Source: Defence for Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo

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Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo ("the Suspect") hereby responds to the *Prosecution Request for Variation of Time Limit for Confirmation Response* ("the Prosecutor's Request").¹

The Prosecutor's Request was notified to the Suspect at 09:31 on 5 August 2014.

Within six hours and without seeking the views of the Defence, the Single Judge issued a decision granting the Prosecutor's Request and postponing the response to the Defence submissions on the confirmation of the charges to 21 August 2014.²

The Suspect can only presume that the reason for his views being deemed otiose was because the Single Judge shared his opinion as to how the Prosecutor should utilize the time allotted to her.

The Suspect thus encourages the Prosecutor, by 21 August 2014, to reconsider the evidence in her possession with a view to withdrawing the charges against him.



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The Hague, The Netherlands
Wednesday, August 06, 2014

¹ ICC-01/05-01/13-608.

² ICC-01/05-01/13-610.