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**International
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Court**

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Date: 21 January 2015

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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With Annex – Confidential

**Registration in the record of the case of the appointment of Ms. Melinda A. Taylor
as Lead Counsel for Mr. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo**

Source: Registry

Document to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court* to:

The Office of the Prosecutor

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The Registrar of the International Criminal Court (the “Court”);

CONSIDERING the ‘Decision on “Counsel’s request to withdraw pursuant to Regulation 78(1) of the Regulations of the Court” submitted by Mr. Nicholas Kaufman on 17 December 2014’, issued by Pre-Trial Chamber II (the “Chamber”) on 8 January 2015, whereby the Chamber *inter alia* ordered “the Registrar to promptly take all steps which are necessary and appropriate with a view to facilitating the appointment of new counsel for Mr. Bemba in the case”;¹

NOTING articles 43 and 67(1)(d) of the Rome Statute, rules 20 to 22 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, regulations 23*bis* and 67 of the Regulations of the Court, regulation 123(1) of the Regulations of the Registry, and articles 5 and 11 of the *Code of Professional Conduct for counsel* (ICC-ASP/4/Res.1) (the “Code”);

INFORMS respectfully the Chamber of the following:

1. Following a letter from Mr. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo filed in the case with the reference ICC-01/05-01/13-789-AnxI, the latter has exercised his right to free choice of counsel in favour of Ms. Melinda A. Taylor on a *pro bono* basis;
2. The acceptance of mandate on a *pro bono* basis was executed by Ms. Taylor through an email dated 18 December 2014, filed in the case with the reference ICC-01/05-01/13-789-AnxII. In accordance with article 11 of the Code, the representation agreement is established;
3. The letter from the Registry officially formalizing the appointment of Ms. Taylor as new counsel of record for Mr. Bemba on a *pro bono* basis (Annex);
4. Ms. Taylor has previously executed the solemn undertaking required by article 5 of the Code, which remains valid for the purposes of this appointment and intervention before the Court.²

¹ ICC-01/05-01/13-792, dated 8 January 2015.

² ICC-01/05-01/08-3031-AnxIV, dated 3 April 2014.

SUBMITS the Annex to the present document as confidential in accordance with regulation 23*bis* of the Regulations of the Court, as it contains the private contact details of Ms. Taylor;

REMAINS at the disposal of the Chamber, should further elaborations be required.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



Mr. Marc Dubuisson, Director of the Division of Court Services
on behalf of
Mr. Herman von Hebel, Registrar

Dated this 21 January 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands