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TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Geoffrey Henderson, Presiding Judge
Judge Cuno Tarfusser
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion

**SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE
IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. LAURENT GBAGBO***

Public

**Decision designating a Single Judge pursuant to Rule 132 *bis* of the Rules of
Procedure and Evidence**

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

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Trial Chamber I ('Chamber') of the International Criminal Court, in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Laurent Gbagbo* ('Gbagbo case'), pursuant to Article 64(3)(a) of the Rome Statute and Rule 132 *bis* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ('Rules'), issues the following 'Decision designating a Single Judge pursuant to Rule 132 *bis* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence'.

1. The Chamber notes Rule 132 *bis* of the Rules, which states as follows:

1. In exercising its authority under article 64, paragraph 3 (a), a Trial Chamber may designate one or more of its members for the purposes of ensuring the preparation of the trial.
2. The judge shall take all necessary preparatory measures in order to facilitate the fair and expeditious conduct of the trial proceedings, in consultation with the Trial Chamber.
3. The judge may at any time, *proprio motu* or, if appropriate, at the request of a party, refer specific issues to the Trial Chamber for its decision. A majority of the Trial Chamber may also decide *proprio motu* or, if appropriate, at the request of a party, to deal with issues that could otherwise be dealt with by the judge.
4. In order to fulfil his or her responsibilities for the preparation of the trial, the judge may hold status conferences and render orders and decisions. The judge may also establish a work plan indicating the obligations the parties are required to meet pursuant to this rule and the dates by which these obligations must be fulfilled.
5. The functions of the judge may be performed in relation to preparatory issues, whether or not they arise before or after the commencement of the trial. These issues may include:
 - (a) Ensuring proper disclosure between the parties;
 - (b) Ordering protective measures where necessary;
 - (c) Dealing with applications by victims for participation in the trial, as referred to in article 68, paragraph 3;
 - (d) Conferring with the parties regarding issues referred to in regulation 54 of the Regulations of the Court, decisions thereon being taken by the Trial Chamber;
 - (e) Scheduling matters, with the exception of setting the date of the trial, as referred to in rule 132, sub-rule 1;
 - (f) Dealing with the conditions of detention and related matters; and
 - (g) Dealing with any other preparatory matters that must be resolved which do not otherwise fall within the exclusive competence of the Trial Chamber.
6. The judge shall not render decisions which significantly affect the rights of the accused or which touch upon the central legal and factual issues in the case, nor shall he or she, subject to sub-rule 5, make decisions that affect the substantive rights of victims.

2. To ensure the expeditiousness and efficiency of the proceedings, the Chamber considers it appropriate to designate the Presiding Judge, Judge Geoffrey Henderson, as judge for the preparation of the trial ('Single Judge') for addressing, determining and deciding issues arising in the preparatory phase of these proceedings which properly fall within the scope of Rule 132bis of the Rules.

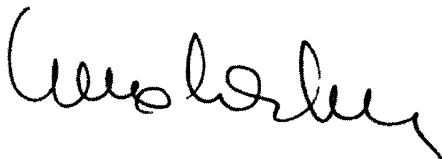
FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

DESIGNATES the Presiding Judge, Geoffrey Henderson, as the Single Judge for the purposes of trial preparation in the *Gbagbo* case.

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



Judge Geoffrey Henderson, Presiding Judge



Judge Cuno Tarfusser



Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion

Dated 23 October 2014

At The Hague, The Netherlands