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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, Presiding Judge
Judge Hans-Peter Kaul
Judge Christine Van den Wyngaert

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. LAURENT GBAGBO

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Prosecution's request for extension of page limit for the Document Containing the Charges

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1. In its Decision establishing a disclosure system and a calendar for disclosure, the Pre-Trial Chamber ordered the Prosecution to file in the record of the case, by 16 May 2012, its Document Containing the Charges against Laurent GBAGBO.¹
2. The Prosecution requests an extension of the page limit applicable to the Document Containing the Charges, to 50 pages, pursuant to Regulation 37(2) of the Regulations of the Court.
3. The requested extension of the page limit is necessary to enable the Prosecution to describe, in appropriate detail, the relevant facts and circumstances and to provide the Defence detailed notice of the charges. This case is exceptionally complex: The Prosecution will present evidence on 4 counts of crimes against humanity committed by pro-GBAGBO forces in Abidjan between 16 December 2010 and 12 April 2011. The Prosecution will further provide evidence of the existence of a common plan between GBAGBO and others, which resulted in these crimes that were committed in the context of a widespread and systematic attack against civilians. Moreover, evidence will be provided on the existence of an organized structure of power and the contribution by GBAGBO to the charged crimes through that structure jointly controlled by him and his associates.



Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor

Dated this 11th day of May 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-02/11-01/11-30, p.31.