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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, Single Judge

SITUATION OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. CHARLES BLÉ GOUDÉ

Public

With Public Annexes 1 & 2

Victims and Witnesses Unit's Submission of the "Unified Protocol on the practices used to prepare and familiarise witnesses for giving testimony" and the "Protocol on the vulnerability assessment and support procedure used to facilitate the testimony of vulnerable witnesses"

Source: The Registry

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

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

NOTING articles 43(6) and 68(1) and (4) of the Rome Statute, rules 16 to 19, 74, 86 to 88 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, regulation 41 of the Regulations of the Court and regulations 79 to 96 of the Regulations of the Registry;

CONSIDERING that the Confirmation of Charges hearing is scheduled to commence on 22 September 2014 ¹ and that the Parties might call witnesses for this purpose;

CONSIDERING that the Victims and Witnesses Unit (the "VWU") will have to carry out a witness familiarisation procedure and to provide its assessment on the need for special measures to be implemented for the benefit of those potentially vulnerable;

CONSIDERING that the attached protocols are based on the applicable protocols in the case of the *Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*² with minor alterations;

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITS as Annexes to the current submission the “Unified Protocol on the practices used to prepare and familiarise witnesses for giving testimony” and the “Protocol on the vulnerability assessment and support procedure used to facilitate the testimony of vulnerable witnesses” for the approval of Pre-Trial Chamber I.



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

Dated this 30 July 2014
 At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ ICC-02/11-02/11-108-Red p. 7

² ICC-01/05-01/08-1081 and ICC-01/05-01/08-974-Anx2