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THE PRESIDENCY

Before: Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi, President
Judge Joyce Aluoch, First Vice-President
Judge Kuniko Ozaki, Second Vice-President

SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

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Decision Re-assigning the Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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

The Office of the Prosecutor

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Counsel for the Defence

Legal Representative of the Victims

Legal Representative of the Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants for Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for Victims

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Pre-Trial Chamber I

Pre-Trial Chamber II

THE PRESIDENCY of the International Criminal Court notes its decision of 17 March 2015 constituting Pre-Trial Chambers in which, *inter alia*, the situations concerning Côte d'Ivoire, Libya, Mali and Registered Vessels were assigned to Pre-Trial Chamber I and the two situations in the Central African Republic, together with the situations in Darfur, the Democratic Republic of the Congo ("DRC"), Kenya and Uganda were assigned to Pre-Trial Chamber II.¹

The Presidency notes regulation 46(1) of the Regulations of the Court, which provides that "[t]he Presidency shall constitute permanent Pre-Trial Chambers with fixed compositions".

In view of the current and prospective workloads of the respective Pre-Trial Chambers and noting the Presidency's responsibility, pursuant to article 38 of the Rome Statute, for the proper administration of the Court, the Presidency hereby decides that the situation in the DRC shall be re-assigned to Pre-Trial Chamber I with immediate effect.

The composition of the Pre-Trial Chambers will remain unchanged.

The Presidency orders the Registrar to file and notify this decision to all relevant parties and participants in the DRC situation and cases therein.

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


Judge Silvia Fernández de Gurmendi
President

Dated this 21 August 2015

At The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ See e.g. "Decision on the constitution of Pre-Trial Chambers and on the assignment of the Mali situation", ICC-01/04-632.