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TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, Presiding Judge
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion
Judge Péter Kovács

**SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO
IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. GERMAIN KATANGA***

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**Decision on the “Request by the Board of Directors for extension of time to
submit Observations on Reparations Procedure”**

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TRIAL CHAMBER II (“the Chamber”) of the International Criminal Court (“the Court”), in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga*, pursuant to regulation 35 of the Regulations of the Court (“the Regulations”), issues the following decision.

1. On 1 April 2015, the Chamber invited the parties and participants to file observations on the principles and procedures to be applied to reparations, by 30 April 2015 at the latest.¹
2. On 22 April 2015, the Trust Fund for Victims (“the TFV”) filed a request for extension of time to submit observations to 13 May 2015 (“the Request”).²
3. As stated in the first sentence of regulation 35(2) of the Regulations, a chamber may extend a time limit only if good cause is shown. According to the TFV, an additional two weeks would allow for the Board of Directors to review the draft and for the Secretariat to incorporate its suggestions.³ Thus, in the instant case, the Chamber finds that there is good cause to extend the time limit set for the TFV to submit its observations, to 15 May 2015.
4. In the circumstances, the Chamber is also of the view that the extension must be granted to the other parties and participants invited to submit observations and that it is therefore appropriate to grant an extension of the time limit for submitting consolidated responses.

¹ “Ordonnance enjoignant les parties et les participants à déposer des observations pour la procédure en réparation”, 1 April 2015, ICC-01/04-01/07-3532.

² “Request by the Board of Directors for extension of time to submit Observations on Reparations Procedure”, 22 April 2015, ICC-01/04-01/07-3539.

³ Request, paras. 3-4.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER,

GRANTS the Request;

INVITES the TFV as well as the Defence, the Legal Representative of Victims, the Registry and the Prosecutor to submit their observations by 15 May 2015 at 4 p.m.;
and

ORDERS the Defence, the Legal Representative and the Registry to submit any consolidated response to the said observations by 12 June 2015 at 4 p.m.

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

[signed]
Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut
Presiding Judge

[signed]
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion

[signed]
Judge Péter Kovács

Dated this 24 April 2015,
At The Hague, the Netherlands