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Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut
Judge Raul Pangalangan

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

IN THE CASE OF

THE PROSECUTOR

*v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO, AIMÉ KILOLO MUSAMBA, JEAN-JACQUES
MANGENDA KABONGO, FIDÈLE BABALA WANDU AND NARCISSE ARIDO*

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Defence Request to Exceed the Word Limit

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Introduction

1. On 31 August 2015, the Defence for Mr. Jean-Pierre Bemba filed its 'Response to the Prosecution's Second Bar Table Motion' (the Response).¹
2. In the course of reviewing the Response in connection with the Defence's preparation of its pending response to the Prosecutor's Third Bar Table Motion, the Defence has ascertained that the filed version of the Response exceeds the word limit.
3. The Defence therefore respectfully seeks the leave of the Chamber, pursuant to Regulation 37(2) of the Regulations of the Court, to exceed the word limit.
4. There is good cause to grant the request in light of both the significant number of communications addressed in the Response, and the complexity and importance of the related issues.
5. In the alternative, the Defence seeks leave to refile its response in accordance with the pre-existing word limit.
6. The Response was filed on a confidential basis, but there is nothing in the current request, which warrants confidentiality.



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¹ ICC-01/05-01/13-1199-Conf

Dated this 7th day of September 2015

The Hague, The Netherlands