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TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Geoffrey Henderson, Presiding Judge
Judge Olga Herrera Carbuccion
Judge Bertram Schmitt

SITUATION IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE

**IN THE CASE OF
*THE PROSECUTOR v. LAURENT GBAGBO AND CHARLES BLÉ GOUDÉ***

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With 2 Confidential annexes, *EX PARTE* only available to the Registry

**First Report to the Trial Chamber on applications to participate in the
proceedings**

Source: 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 the Decision on the Prosecution requests to join the cases of *The Prosecutor v. Laurent Gbagbo* and *The Prosecutor v. Charles Blé Goudé* and related matters, issued by Trial Chamber I (the “Chamber”) on 11 March 2015, whereby the Chamber decided *inter alia* to join the charges and try Mr Gbagbo and Mr Blé Goudé jointly (the “Case”) and that all decisions and orders made in both cases shall continue to apply, as appropriate and until ordered otherwise, in the Case (the “Joinder Decision”);¹

NOTING the Chamber’s Decision on victim participation issued in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Laurent Gbagbo* (the “Gbagbo case”), notified on 6 March 2015, providing instructions to the Registry regarding the victims’ application process and the reporting system to be implemented for participation at trial, including using the one-page Simplified Form and ordering the Registry to *inter alia* transmit to the Chamber copies of the complete and relevant victim applications received, together with a report thereon, by no later than 60 days prior to the start date of the trial (the “6 March 2015 Decision”);²

NOTING article 68(1) and (3) of the Rome Statute, rules 16, 85 and 89 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the “Rules”) and regulations 86(5) and 23 *bis* of the Regulations of the Court (the “Regulations”);

CONSIDERING that the Registry has received a total of 260 applications to participate in the proceedings, of which 258³ have been assessed by the Registry to be

¹ ICC-02/11-01/15-1, paras. 68 and 74.

² ICC-02/11-01/11-800, paras 48-52.

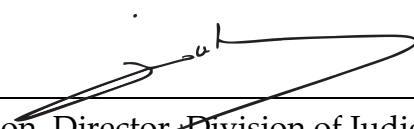
³ Of these, 4 duplicates were identified and merged with the respective master application (a/10260/14, a/20212/12, a/25138/15, and a/25201/15).

complete and linked to the Case, while an additional one has been assessed as unclear;⁴

CONSIDERING that, pursuant to Regulation 86(5) of the Regulations and in accordance with the 6 March 2015 Decision,⁵ the Registry has prepared reports on each of the 259 applications transmitted with this Report, following the procedure described in Annex 1 to the present filing;

CONSIDERING that the annexes to the present filing are notified with the status “Confidential *EX PARTE*, only available to the Registry” in accordance with the 6 March 2015 Decision;⁶

TRANSMITS to the Chamber the Registry’s first report on 259 applications to participate in the Case (the “First Report”) as Annex 1 to the present filing, together with a table presenting the VPRS’ preliminary assessment against the requirements of rule 85 of the Rules for each of the 259 applications for participation, as Annex 2 to the present filing.



 Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services
per delegation of
 Herman Von Hebel, Registrar

Dated this 10 September 2015

At The Hague, the Netherlands

⁴ Application (a/25211/15) has been assessed by the Registry as unclear and is transmitted with this Report; another one has been assessed by the Registry as incomplete and is therefore not transmitted with this Report.

⁵ ICC-02/11-01/11-800, para. 52.

⁶ *Ibid.*