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TRIAL CHAMBER VII

Before: Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge
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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Request for extension of time concerning the disclosure of an expert report

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1. Pursuant to Regulation 35 of the Regulations of the Court, the Defence for Mr. Bemba respectfully requests the Trial Chamber to grant a very discrete extension of time of 24 hours as concerns the disclosure of the expert report for a Defence witness.
2. Although the witness had initially indicated that the report would be submitted in due time, as a result of unexpected work commitments, the witness informed the Defence during the evening of 20 January 2016 that he would need a 24 hour extension in order to finalise the report.¹
3. The Defence will be in a position to disclose the following by the 21 January deadline: the qualifications of the witness, the summary of his anticipated testimony, the letter of instruction, and all materials which are considered in his report.
4. Given the limited nature of the extension requested, any prejudice caused by the delay will be minimal if not non-existent.
5. The Defence therefore submits that there is good cause to grant the request.

Relief sought

6. For the reasons set out above, the Defence for Mr. Bemba respectfully requests a 24 hour extension of the deadline for the disclosure of an expert report relating to a Defence witness.

¹ Confidential Annex A



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Dated this 20th day of January, 2016

The Hague, the Netherlands