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Judge Raul C. Pangalangan

SITUATION IN UGANDA

IN THE CASE OF

THE PROSECUTOR v. DOMINIC ONGWEN

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**Prosecution's observations on 300 victim applications for participation, transmitted
on 5 September 2016**

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Introduction

1. The Office of the Prosecutor (“Prosecution”) in accordance with rule 89(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and the procedure for evaluation of victim applications established in the case¹ submits its observations on the 300 victim applications for participation, transmitted by the Registry on 5 September 2016.² All 300 applicants meet the requirements for admission as victim participants in the case.

Procedural Background

2. During the pre-trial stage, 2026 victims were admitted to participate in the proceedings.³
3. On 30 May 2016, the Trial Chamber directed the Registry to transmit any further victim applications for participation at trial until 6 October 2016.⁴ On 2 September 2016 the Registry transmitted 300 victim applications assessed as complete and linked to the case against Dominic Ongwen, to the Parties. The Registry will continue to assess and transmit further applications on a rolling basis until the deadline.⁵

Analysis of the applications for participation

4. The Prosecution in its review of the victim applications continues to follow the practice established in the decisions of the Chamber at the pre-trial stage⁶

¹ ICC-02/04-01/15-432 in conjunction with ICC-02/04-01/15-299.

² ICC-02/04-01/15-530.

³ ICC-02/04-01/15-350, ICC-02/04-01/15-384.

⁴ ICC-02/04-01/15-449.

⁵ ICC-02/04-01/15-530, para. 30.

⁶ ICC-02/04-01/15-205, ICC-02/04-01/15-350 and ICC-02/04-01/15-384.

and as set out in the Prosecution's filings of 2 October 2015⁷ and 9 November 2015⁸.

5. In the Prosecution's assessment all 300 applicants meet the requirements for admission as victim participants in the case.
6. None of the victim applicants included in the transmission of 5 September 2016 has been identified as a Prosecution trial witness, thereby enjoying a dual status.



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Dated this 19th day of September 2016
At The Hague, The Netherlands

⁷ ICC-02/04-01/15-309, paras. 7-20.

⁸ ICC-02/04-01/15-337, para. 6.