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Judge Geoffrey Henderson
Judge Chang-ho Chung

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO

PUBLIC

With 30 Confidential *EX PARTE* Annexes, only available to the Registry

**Transmission of Applications for Resumption of Action Initiated by Deceased
Victims**

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I. Introduction

1. The Registry hereby transmits to Trial Chamber III ("Chamber") 29 applications for the resumption of action initiated by deceased participating victims in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo* ("Applications for resumption of action").

II. Procedural history

2. On 24 March 2016, the Chamber adopted a system for the submission and processing of the applications for resumption of action by family members of deceased victims or other closely-connected individuals and, *inter alia*, ordered the Registry to transmit to the Chamber the applications assessed as complete together with any relevant documents in its possession ("Decision of 24 March 2016").¹

III. Classification

3. Pursuant to regulation 23 *bis* (1) of the Regulations of the Court, the annexes to this document are classified as "confidential *ex parte*, only available to the Registry" in accordance with the Decision of 24 March 2016.²

IV. Applicable Law

4. The present transmission is made pursuant to article 68(1) and (3) of the Rome Statute, rule 89 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and in accordance with the Decision of 24 March 2016.

¹ Trial Chamber III, "Decision on 'Requête relative à la reprise des actions introduites devant la Cour par des victimes décédées'", 24 March 2016, ICC-01/05-01/08-3346, para. 49.

² *Id.*, para. 49 and footnote 105.

V. Submissions

5. The Registry notes that only nine applicants have submitted a *jugement d'homologation* and one applicant has submitted a *certificat de non-appel* against a *jugement d'homologation*. However, it is also noted that the current situation in the Central African Republic ("CAR") presents practical challenges for victims to obtain a *jugement d'homologation*, as there is a limited number of administrative and judicial institutions providing such documents and the judicial/administrative process can be costly and complex.
6. The Registry further submits that all the *procès verbaux* of the *Conseil de famille* submitted by all 29 applicants have been certified by a local authority.
7. The Registry hereby transmits to the Chamber:
 - Annex 1: Registry's Report on the Applications for resumption of action;
 - Annexes 2 to 30: Applications for resumption of action.



 Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services
per delegation of the Registrar

Dated this 7 August 2017

At The Hague, The Netherlands