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Judge Péter Kovács
Judge Chang-ho Chung

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

**IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR *v.* ALFRED YEKATOM AND PATRICE-EDOUARD
NGAISSONA**

Public Document

With two confidential annexes

**Transmission of Observations from the African Union pursuant to the Order ICC-
01/14-01/18-619**

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I. Introduction

1. In accordance with rule 13 and 176(2) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Registry transmits a correspondence received from the African Union (“AU”) on 10 September 2020 pursuant to Trial Chamber V’s (“Chamber”) “Order Requesting Observations on the Yekatom Defence Request for Cooperation from the African Union” (“Order”).¹

II. Classification

2. In accordance with regulation 23(1)*bis* of the Regulations of the Court, Annex I is classified as confidential as it contains names and contact information of the Registry staff members and Annex II is classified as confidential as this level of classification is indicated on the AU correspondence.

III. Transmission

3. On 11 August, the Registry invited the AU by way of a note verbale to provide observations, by 4 September 2020. The Registry also transmitted to the AU the Order as well as the request of the Defence for Mr Yekatom and its confidential Annex A² on 11 August 2020 by email and on 17 August 2020 by courier services.³
4. On 4 September 2020, the focal point from the AU updated the Registry representative over the phone that the observations were being prepared but their submission may be delayed due to the internal consultations.

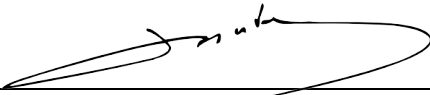
¹ Trial Chamber V, “Order Requesting Observations on the Yekatom Defence Request for Cooperation from the African Union”, 10 August 2020, ICC-01/14-01/18-619.

² Defence for Mr Alfred Yekatom, « Demande de la Défense de Monsieur Yekatom afin que soit rendue une Ordonnance relativement à la coopération de l’Union Africaine », 4 August 2020, ICC-01/14-01/18-612.

³ Annex I, note verbale of the Registry dated 10 August 2020, reference NV/2020/EOSS/230/JCA/rk.

5. On 10 September 2020, the Registry received by email the correspondence from the AU for further transmission to the Chamber.

The Registry hereby transmits, as Annex II the observations from the AU received on 10 September 2020.



Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services
on behalf of
Peter Lewis, Registrar

Dated this 11 September 2020

At The Hague, The Netherlands