

Annex I

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Registry's Transmission of the Declarations made by Defence Witnesses D29-6040, D29-6045, D29-6047, D29-6049, D29-6031, D29-6050, D29-6028 and D29-6048 pursuant to Rule 68(2)(b) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

**DECLARATION BY THE PERSON WHO PROVIDED A PRIOR RECORDED
TESTIMONY IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 68 (2)(b)(iii) OF THE RULES OF
PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE**

I, MBOUTOLO, Simplicie Marin born on: 28 February 1974, in: SAKPA, Central African Republic with identity card no: [REDACTED]

hereby certify, in the presence of: [REDACTED]

that the contents of:

- the prior recorded testimonies I gave on 27 March and 21 June 2024, recorded under the Evidence Registration Number ("ERN"): CAR-D29-0009-0782, CAR-D29-0009-0788; and
- the associated materials to those prior recorded testimonies, recorded under ERNs: CAR-D29-0009-0794, CAR-D29-0009-0795, CAR-D29-0009-0796, CAR-V45-00000020 and CAR-V45-00000021;

which I confirm to have read in their entirety on 25 June 2024, **are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief subject to the amendments outlined in the attached document.**

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of article 70 of the Rome Statute. I was informed in a language that I understand, that if the contents of my prior recorded testimonies and associated materials are not true, I may be subject to proceedings for having given false testimony before the Court.

Date: 25 June 2024

Place: Bangui, Central African Republic

Signature of the Declarant

(through video link)

[REDACTED]

Place: The Hague, Netherlands

Signature of the witnessing officer

(through video link)

[REDACTED]

**ATTESTATION BY THE WITNESSING OFFICER PURSUANT TO
RULE 68(2)(b)(iii) OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE**

I, [REDACTED] witnessing officer appointed pursuant to rule 68 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, certify that:

on 25 June 2024, the following person appeared before me via video link from Bangui, Central African Republic:

MBOUTOLO, Simplicie Marin

Born on 28 February 1974, in SAKPA, Central African Republic

Holder of identity card no: [REDACTED] hereafter "the witness".

I certify that the witness:

- confirmed he was provided with:
 - (i) his prior recorded testimonies recorded under the Evidence Registration Number (ERN): CAR-D29-0009-0782, CAR-D29-0009-0788; and
 - (ii) the associated materials to the prior recorded testimonies recorded under the ERN: CAR-D29-0009-0794, CAR-D29-0009-0795, CAR-D29-0009-0796, CAR-V45-00000020 and CAR-V45-00000021;
- confirmed he was given an opportunity to read the prior recorded testimony, together with the associated materials, in a language that he understands and which he confirmed was done;
- confirmed that it is indeed his prior recorded testimonies; and
- subsequently declared that the contents of his prior recorded testimonies and associated materials are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief subject to the amendments outlined in the attached document.

I certify that the witness assures that he makes the declaration voluntarily and without undue influence.

I furthermore certify that the witness was provided with a copy of article 70 of the Rome Statute and that he was informed in a language that he understands that if the contents of the prior recorded testimony and associated materials are not true, he may be subject to proceedings for having given false testimony before the Court.

The declaration was made in the presence of: 

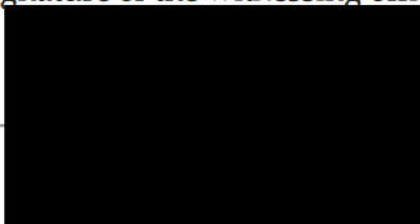
Additional remarks:

The certification of the prior recorded testimony was conducted with the assistance of a Court Interpreter from the Registry Language Services Section.

Date: 25 June 2024

Place: The Hague, The Netherlands

Signature of the witnessing officer



AMENDMENTS TO THE PRIOR RECORDED TESTIMONY

On my first declaration made on 27 March 2024, I did not sign the first page of the prior recorded testimony, I only wrote my initials. Even though I signed the last page, I forgot to sign the first page.

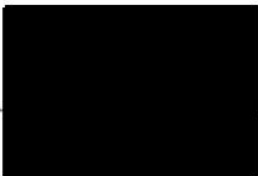
At paragraph 16, I stated that I started on my functions as Principle of "l'école de Karawa" in 2023, it was a mistake. I started on my functions on 2 November 2022.

Date: 25 June 2024

Place: Bangui, Central African Republic

Signature of witness

MBOUTOLO, Simplicie Marin

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