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Mr Bruno Cathala
The Registrar
International Criminal Court
Maanweg 174
2516AB, The Hague

Dear Mr Cathala,

I refer to your letter dated 18 February 2008 addressed to Her Majesty's Ambassador Lyn Parker in The Hague, asking for the observations of the United Kingdom on the application for interim release of Mr Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui.

The United Kingdom regards the application for interim release to be a matter for the Pre-Trial Chamber to decide upon in accordance with the provisions of the Rome Statute and believes it would be inappropriate for the United Kingdom to become involved in this decision.

As far as we are aware, Mr Ngudjolo has never previously traveled or requested to travel to the United Kingdom and, as a national of the Democratic Republic of Congo, would require a visa before doing so. We have received no such application from Mr Ngudjolo at this time. Any application for a visa would be considered under the UK's Immigration Rules.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Ellis'.

Hugo Ellis
International Organisations Department

cc: Akbar Khan, Legal Adviser, The Hague