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The Registry

Mr. David Hooper

Counsel of Germain Katanga

Reference: DCS/2009/050/MD/dsa

Date: 11 February 2009

Dear Mr. Hooper,

As you may be aware, I have instructed the Chief Custody Officer to implement a new policy on the registration and the updating of telephone contacts provided by the detained persons.

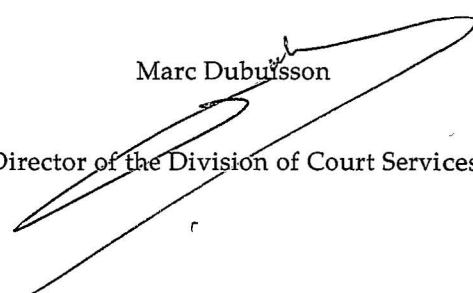
The decision was issued after the recent and constant increasing registration of telephone numbers by some detained persons including your client. It is furthermore justified by the need to ensure a responsible management of the activities carried out at the detention centre as part of the judicial activity of the Court and according to the Regulations of the Registry. In other words, the new policy, will allow, on the one hand, to receive from each detained person, bearing full responsibility, information regarding his contacts - regular or temporary - and, on the other hand, to avoid any situation that would not only jeopardise the requirement of a responsible management of the ICC detention centre but also put at stake the credibility of the detained persons due to incoherencies in information they would have provided.

The new policy, implemented as of 6 February 2009, refers inter alia to the following:

- Any request for additional telephone contacts, including the list provided by the detainees since December 2008, shall be approved by the Registrar;
- The request shall be made using the approved form and shall be submitted 15 days prior to the registration of the number by the detention centre staff. The approved form indicates information required about the contacts;

- The detained persons will have to submit telephone numbers provided before December 2008 using the approved form according to the timeframe identified by the Chief Custody Officer, unless otherwise decided by the Registrar.

Trusting that I have provided you with useful information, please accept my sincere greetings.



Marc Dubuisson

Director of the Division of Court Services