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Subject: Further observations on the feasibility of video-conferencing

Dear colleagues from the Registry,

The Yekatom Defence filed a 'Corrected version of "Mr. Yekatom's Response to the Registry Observations on the Assessment of the Feasibility of using Video - Conferencing at the Detention Centre", 21 December 2020, ICC-01/14-01/18-793-Conf' (ICC-01/14-01/18-793-Conf-Corr, the 'Response'), in response to the 'Registry Observations on the Assessment of the Feasibility of using Video-Conferencing at the Detention Centre' (ICC-01/14-01/18-760-Conf, the 'Observations').

The Single Judge considers that the Chamber would be assisted by further observations from the Registry on the Response, notably on certain aspects of video-conferencing for non-privileged calls.

The Single Judge therefore directs the Registry to provide further observations, in particular on the following items, by no later than 15 January 2021:

- (i) the differences between the platform for 'privileged video communications', offered by the Registry as an alternative to in-person legal visits at the Detention Centre since June 2020, and the 'technical platform' determined as 'sufficiently appropriate, secure and practical' to host the video-conferencing with family members of the accused (Observations, ICC-01/14-01/18-760-Conf, para. 9);
- (ii) the specific 'extensive Registry resources, logistical planning, and budgetary resources, both in the field and at Headquarters' that will be required to host the video-conferencing with family members of the accused (Observations, ICC-01/14-01/18-760-Conf, para. 10);
- (iii) whether extending the duration of video-conferencing from one to two hours (see Response, ICC-01/14-01/18-793-Conf-Corr, para. 17) or facilitating shorter but more frequent time slots would be technically and logistically feasible;
- (iv) the necessity of ICC staff members monitoring the video-conference from both the location of the accused and the location of the family members; or whether remote live monitoring of the video-conference by adding a third participant to the video-conference to ensure its effective oversight would be technically feasible;
- (v) whether the Registry has completed all necessary tests regarding the feasibility of video-conferencing in the relevant locations (Observations, ICC-01/14-01/18-760-Conf, paras 8, 15, 18-19).

Kind regards, TC V