

Annex 20

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From: Trial Chamber X Communications
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To: [REDACTED] Trial Chamber X Communications
Cc: Office of the Director DJSS; [REDACTED]
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Subject: RE: Communication to TC X on victim applicants in Al Hassan case

Dear colleagues,

The Single Judge considers that in the interest of the applicants concerned, and insofar as they are assessed by VPRS as complete and falling within the scope of the Al Hassan case, their application forms may be transmitted to the Chamber in the Registry's next transmission of Group A applications.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]
 (on behalf of the Single Judge to Trial Chamber X)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 November 2020 15:01
To: Trial Chamber X Communications
Cc: Office of the Director DJSS; [REDACTED]
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Subject: Communication to TC X on victim applicants in Al Hassan case

Dear Trial Chamber X, dear Colleagues,

The VPRS would like to inform you that a periodic check & overview exercise was recently completed for applications for participation and/or reparations previously registered in the VPRS database in relation to the Mali *Situation only* (ie applications that have been submitted prior to the Al Hassan case-specific application process). This exercise encompassed altogether 127 applications.

During the exercise, out of the aforementioned 127 applications, 81 were assessed as outside of the scope of the Al Hassan case, 39 forms as unclear and requiring further information, and 7 forms were assessed by the VPRS as complete and falling within the scope of the Al Hassan case.

None of these victims had specifically requested to participate in the case through the Al Hassan victim application form and/or during the Al Hassan victim application process; relevant forms were received during the investigation stage. As a consequence of that, the aforementioned 7 forms were not transmitted to the Chamber within the initial deadline set in its decision of 12 March 2020 (ICC-01/12-01/18-661, para. 29); nor are they *stricto sensu* "newly collected applications" for which the Chamber extended the deadline for transmission in its decision of 12 June 2020 (ICC-01/12-01/18-880, paras 10-14 and Disposition, p. 8). Said applications were discovered by VPRS as fitting in the Al Hassan case remit only recently because the victims had not used the designated Al Hassan form and the submission had in fact preceded the Al Hassan application collection process.

In order to best serve these victims, the Registry would like to propose transmitting all relevant complete forms in its future Group A applications. This would include the 7 forms as mentioned above as well as any further of the remaining 39 incomplete forms to the extent that they are completed with supplementary information within the remaining application submission timeframe in the Case.

The VPRS therefore respectfully requests the Chamber's approval that any complete applications could be transmitted in the VPRS's future transmissions of group A applications.

All the best,

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