

ANNEX 7

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From: Trial Chamber V Communications
Sent: 15 April 2021 10:38
To: Trial Chamber V Communications; [REDACTED]; Office of the Director DJSS
Cc: [REDACTED] OTP CAR IIB Managers; OTP CAR IIB Case Management; D29 Yekatom Defence Team; D30 Ngaissona Defence Team; V44 LRV Team; V44 LRV Team OPCV; V45 LRV Team
Subject: Order to increase the frequency of the Periodic Registry Reports on the Political and Security Situation in the CAR
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear colleagues from the Registry,

The Single Judge has taken note of the rapid developments in the CAR as reported by the Registry (*see* Third Periodic Report of the Registry on the Political and Security Situation in the Central African Republic, 26 February 2021, ICC-01/14-01/18-893-Conf and its annex; Annex to the First Periodic Report on the Victims Admitted to Participate in the Proceeding, 12 April 2021, ICC-01/14-01/18-952-Conf-Exp-Anx).

In light of these developments, the Single Judge considers it appropriate to increase the frequency of the periodic Registry reports (*see* emails from the Chamber on 4 November 2020, at 13:22 and 19 November 2020, at 13:19) to every 3 months, until further notice. The next report is accordingly due on 26 May 2021.

Kind regards, TC V

From: Trial Chamber V Communications
Sent: 19 November 2020 13:19
To: [REDACTED]; Trial Chamber V Communications ; Office of the Director DJSS
Cc: [REDACTED]; OTP CAR IIB Managers ; OTP CAR IIB Case Management ; D29 Yekatom Defence Team ; D30 Ngaissona Defence Team ; V44 LRV Team ; V44LRVTeam-OPCV ; V45 LRV Team
Subject: RE: Order for Periodic Registry Reports on the Political and Security Situation in the CAR

Dear colleagues from the Registry,

The Single Judge takes note of the Registry's extension request and additional information provided with regard to the upcoming elections in the CAR.

The Single Judge considers that good cause has been shown to extend the current timeline until 7 December 2020.

Noting the importance of the upcoming elections to the political and security situation in the CAR, the Single Judge considers it appropriate to increase the frequency of the periodic reports in the upcoming months. The Registry is accordingly instructed to file its periodic reports on 7 December 2020, 15 January 2021, 26 February 2021 and henceforth every 6 months.

Kind regards, TC V

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 November 2020 10:45

To: Trial Chamber V Communications; Office of the Director DJSS
 Cc: [REDACTED] OTP CAR IIB Managers; OTP CAR IIB Case Management; D29 Yekatom Defence Team; D30 Ngaissona Defence Team; V44 LRV Team; V44LRVTeam-OPCV; V45 LRV Team
 Subject: RE: Order for Periodic Registry Reports on the Political and Security Situation in the CAR

Dear Trial Chamber V,

On behalf of the Registry, and further to my email immediately below, we kindly request that the following be brought to the attention of the Single Judge.

On 4 November 2020, the Single Judge instructed the Registry to provide a report on the political and security situation in the CAR every six months, beginning on 25 November 2020. As explained next, the current political situation in the CAR (i.e. the forthcoming elections) means that shortly after 25 November, several events occur that may be noteworthy to bring to the Chamber's attention. Should the Chamber nonetheless wish for the Registry to provide a report prior to the elections, the Registry kindly requests an extension until 7 December 2020 to do so. The relevant section in the Registry responsible for drafting the said report has, since my email below, been impacted as a result of sick leave.

In light of the upcoming presidential and parliamentary elections in the CAR, with the first round of these elections scheduled for 27 December 2020, the Registry proposes that the information which it was instructed to provide by 25 November, instead be filed mid-January 2021. This timeline would enable the Registry to assess the main resulting implications of the first round of the elections from a political and security perspective, in terms of immediate impact on the Court's operations. Also, the Registry would then be in a position to highlight the resulting trends and their potential implications for the Court's work in the CAR looking forward.

The second and final round of these elections is scheduled for 7 February 2021. The Registry is mindful that this date is quite far in the future, and therefore stands ready to report already following the first round of elections, and to provide a further, more comprehensive report on the elections' results, by mid-February 2021. Should the Chamber prefer to receive only one report, after the second round in mid-February, kindly inform us accordingly.

As above, the Registry is endeavouring to best assist the Chamber on the matter. The Registry remains at the disposal of the Chamber as to how the Chamber wishes the Registry to proceed.

With my best,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
 Sent: 04 November 2020 13:28
 To: Trial Chamber V Communications; Office of the Director DJSS
 Cc: [REDACTED] OTP CAR IIB Managers; OTP CAR IIB Case Management; D29 Yekatom Defence Team; D30 Ngaissona Defence Team; V44 LRV Team; V44LRVTeam-OPCV; V45 LRV Team
 Subject: Re: Order for Periodic Registry Reports on the Political and Security Situation in the CAR

Dear Colleagues,

The Registry thanks the Chamber for its email, and shares with you that it will proceed as instructed.

With my best,

[REDACTED]

From: Trial Chamber V Communications

Sent: 04 November 2020 13:22:29

To: Office of the Director DJSS

Cc: Trial Chamber V Communications; [REDACTED] OTP CAR IIB Managers; OTP CAR IIB Case Management; D29 Yekatom Defence Team; D30 Ngaissona Defence Team; V44 LRV Team; V44LRVTeam-OPCV; V45 LRV Team

Subject: Order for Periodic Registry Reports on the Political and Security Situation in the CAR

Dear colleagues from the Registry,

The Single Judge notes that the Chamber last received information on the political and security situation in the Central African Republic (the 'CAR') more than six months ago (see Annex II to the Registry Submissions in View of the upcoming Status Conference, 8 April 2020, ICC-01/14-01/18-470-Conf-Exp-AnxII).

The Single Judge considers that it would be assisted by regular updates on the political and security situation in the CAR. The Registry is thus instructed to provide the Chamber with such reports every six months, beginning on 25 November 2020.

The Registry is instructed to make the reports simultaneously available to the parties and participants, if necessary in redacted form.

Kind regards, TC V