

Trial Hearing
WITNESS: CAR-OTP-P-0884

(Open Session)

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- 1 International Criminal Court
- 2 Trial Chamber VI
- 3 Situation: Central African Republic II
- 4 In the case of The Prosecutor v. Mahamat Said Abdel Kani - ICC-01/14-01/21
- 5 Presiding Judge Miatta Maria Samba, Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera and
- 6 Judge Sergio Gerardo Ugalde Godínez
- 7 Trial Hearing - Courtroom 2
- 8 Thursday, 30 May 2024
- 9 (The hearing starts in open session at 9.37 a.m.)
- 10 THE COURT USHER: [9:37:06] All rise.
- 11 The International Criminal Court is now in session.
- 12 Please be seated.
- 13 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:37:32] Good morning, everyone.
- 14 Madam Court Officer, can you please mention the case.
- 15 THE COURT OFFICER: [9:37:38] Good morning, Madam President, your Honours.
- 16 The situation in the Central African Republic II, in the case the Prosecutor versus
- 17 Mahamat Said Abdel Kani, case reference ICC-01/14-01/21.
- 18 And we are in open session.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:37:53] Thank you very much.
- 20 Can I ask the parties to introduce themselves, starting with the Prosecution.
- 21 MS MAKWAIA: [9:38:00] Good morning, Madam President, your Honours.
- 22 For the Prosecution this morning, Mr Kamran Choudhry, trial lawyer; and myself,
- 23 Ms Holo Makwaia, senior trial lawyer.
- 24 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:38:09] Thank you very much, Ms Makwaia.
- 25 Ms Pellet for the victims, please.

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- 1 MS PELLET: [9:38:15](Interpretation) Thank you, your Honour.
- 2 The victims are represented by Tars Van Litsenborgh and myself, Sarah Pellet,
- 3 counsel OPCV.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:38:29] Thank you very much.
- 5 Ms Naouri for the Defence, please.
- 6 MS NAOURI: [9:38:35](Interpretation) Thank you, your Honour. Good morning.
- 7 Beside me today Mr Dov Jacobs. And beside Mr Jacobs we have Capucine Banet.
- 8 And as for myself, I am Jennifer Naouri, Defence counsel.
- 9 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:38:52] Thank you very much, Ms Naouri.
- 10 Rule 74 counsel, please.
- 11 MR AL-MALT: [9:38:57] Good morning, Madam President, your Honours.
- 12 Noah Al-Malt appearing as Rule 74 counsel for the witness.
- 13 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:39:04] Thank you very much, counsel.
- 14 And, for the record, I note that Mr Said is in court here with us.
- 15 Good morning, Mr Said. I hope I see you well.
- 16 I note for the record that Mr Said is here in court with us. Good morning, Mr Said, I
- 17 hope I see you well.
- 18 MR SAID: [9:39:42](Interpretation) Yes. Good morning, your Honour.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:39:47] Thank you. Thank you.
- 20 Good morning, Mr Witness. I hope you rested well.
- 21 WITNESS: CAR-OTP-P-0884 (On former oath)
- 22 (The witness speaks Sango)
- 23 THE WITNESS: [9:40:00](Interpretation) Good morning, Madam President. I did
- 24 rest and I feel well today.
- 25 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:40:07] Very good.

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- 1 Now we're going to continue with your testimony, Mr Witness. And I just want to
2 remind you that you're still on oath to tell the truth to this Court.
3 I'll invite Mr Jacobs, counsel for Mr Said, to continue with his cross-examination.
4 Mr Jacobs, your witness, please.
5 MR JACOBS: [9:40:36](Interpretation) Thank you, Madam President.
6 QUESTIONED BY MR JACOBS: (Continuing) (Interpretation)
7 Q. [9:40:44] Good morning, Mr Witness.
8 A. [9:40:47] Good morning, counsel.
9 MR JACOBS: [9:41:01](Interpretation) Your Honour, to continue with my
10 questioning from yesterday, I think it would be better if we went into private session.
11 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:41:09] Okay.
12 Madam Court Officer, can we go into private session briefly, please.
13 (Private session at 9.41 a.m.)
14 THE COURT OFFICER: [9:41:27] We are in private session, Madam President.
15 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:41:30] Thank you very much.
16 Mr Jacobs, continue, please.
17 MR JACOBS: [9:41:36](Interpretation) Thank you very much.
18 Q. [9:41:41] Mr Witness, just to give you a bit of background, we were talking
19 about a number of legal documents yesterday and you were providing us with some
20 context and this allowed us to better understand the documents in question.
21 I'd like to ask you about another document and perhaps you can shed some light on it.
22 And this is in relation to possible judicial proceedings as well.
23 This is tab 76 from our list, CAR-D33-0014-0811, tab 76. And this document can be
24 shown to the witness.
25 Great. Can you see the document, Mr Witness?

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1 A. [9:42:59] Yes, I can see it up on the screen.

2 Q. [9:43:08] Very well. At the top we can see that the document reads:

3 "Central African Republic

4 Presidency of the Republic

5 Bangui, 26 January 2015".

6 And if we scroll down a little bit -- great, thank you -- we can see that it says:

7 "To the attention of her Excellency Madam President of the Republic and Head of

8 State

9 Re: Anti-Balaka strategy -- Strategy to fight the Anti-Balaka".

10 So this is a sort of memorandum intended for the president of the republic.

11 Mr Witness, could you tell us who the president of the republic was at that time,

12 the person's name?

13 A. [9:44:11] Thank you. At the time the president was Mrs Catherine

14 Samba-Panza.

15 With your leave, your Honour, I would like to backtrack a little bit in relation to

16 the arrest warrant that was shown yesterday that dates back nearly 10 years. * Indeed,

17 Madam President, Mrs. Samba-Panza was elected on 20 January 2014 and sworn in on

18 23 January 2014. On 27 January 2014 the first government took up office. At the

19 beginning of February, Ms Catherine Samba-Panza was truly committed to peace, she

20 called upon all the forces of the nation to take part in the effort to restore peace.

21 She called upon politicians, people from the faith community, members of civil

22 society.

23 And I noticed that the arrest warrant yesterday is nearly 10 years old, and if you look

24 at the date, I saw that it was the date on which Mrs Samba-Panza had received all

25 the Seleka leaders at a meeting with a view to establishing peace and reconciliation.

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1 She invited all the Anti-Balaka leaders, including Mr Ngaïssona (Redacted)
2 attended that meeting, which ended at 1600 hours. She said she wanted no further
3 disturbances or unrest in her country because we were all her children.
4 Once the meeting with her was over, (Redacted) the meeting and (Redacted) that
5 MINUSCA and all the international forces had come and surrounded the palace,
6 saying they had arrest warrants (Redacted). The head of state said, "How can it be
7 that, as head of state, I call upon all the leaders to come and discuss peace and
8 reconciliation and now the international forces want to arrest them? This doesn't
9 make sense. This is not normal. This is making trouble." And, ultimately,
10 (Redacted).
11 I think before documents like this are brought before this Court, I think it is better to
12 check the context, the context in which such documents were issued. This document,
13 this warrant dates back nearly 10 years. What we saw yesterday was taken out of
14 context. These are documents that are being submitted to the judges and I
15 have -- we have an opportunity to comment upon them. * However, we see that
16 right in the middle of a meeting, we are often presented with documents with
17 handwritten annotations made on them. This is not normal, Madam President, since
18 we are committed to telling the truth.
19 Q. [9:48:15] Well, first of all, we are going to read this document and then I will ask
20 you some questions in relation to the document.
21 A. [9:48:24] Okay.
22 Q. [9:48:26] Thank you for your comments about yesterday's documents. Indeed,
23 we are asking you to give us context, background about these documents. So your
24 comments yesterday were very useful and I thank you, Mr Witness.
25 Now concerning this document up on the screen - if we could just scroll down - and I

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1 will read something out to you, Mr Witness, and you can explain the context to.

2 So ...

3 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:49:00] Mr Jacobs, maybe before we look at this
4 particular document again, just for the record, can we be reminded, if you remember,
5 which document it is that the witness is talking about, the list. I think I remember
6 a list that you showed to him. Was that document given to you, disclosed to you by
7 the Prosecution, or is it part of your own investigation?

8 MR JACOBS: [9:49:35](Interpretation) Thank you, your Honour. I gathered, from
9 the information provided from the witness, he was talking about the order to detain
10 him. And this was tab 74, I believe. Tab 74 on our list, CAR-OTP-0080-0685.
11 As for the handwritten list from yesterday, that was disclosed to us by the OTP. It
12 was a Rule 77 disclosure.

13 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:50:21] How about -- how about this tab 74, was it
14 disclosed to you by the OTP also?

15 MR JACOBS: [9:50:40](Interpretation) Yes. CAR-OTP - you see, since the code
16 shows OTP, we can see that it comes from the OTP - 0080-0685. This was disclosed
17 to us by the OTP and we have chosen to make use of this document at today's
18 hearing.

19 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:51:07] Yes, certainly.
20 I just be wanted to know that, because I want the witness to understand that
21 the document was disclosed by the OTP.

22 And I'm sure you agree that these are documents that you disclosed to the Defence.

23 MS MAKWAIA: [9:51:24] Yes, Madam President. But we -- they don't -- we don't
24 necessarily accept their veracity. We disclosed them as part of our disclosure
25 obligations.

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1 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [9:51:36] Yes, I do understand that. I just want to put
2 the witness's concerns to rest.
3 These are legal procedures. They were disclosed by the Office of the Prosecutor to
4 the Defence and they could use it if they want to. We thank you very much for your
5 explanation and the context attached thereto. We take note of it.
6 So we go now to the document that Mr Jacobs wants to question you on.
7 Mr Jacobs, please put the tab number again on the record. Thank you.
8 MR JACOBS: [9:52:17](Interpretation) Absolutely, your Honour.
9 The document that we will be looking at is -- is tab 76, CAR-D33-0014-0811, tab 76.
10 It's up on the screen.
11 Q. [9:52:42] Let us return to this document, Mr Witness.
12 We were talking about the line that reads:
13 "Re: Strategy to fight against the Anti-Balaka".
14 This dates back to July 2015 and I'll read the -- out the beginning of the document. It
15 reads as follows:
16 "Your Excellency, Madam President of the Republic,
17 Our country the Central African Republic has had to deal with danger for a while
18 now and this danger has kept the country from continuing its path to development.
19 Now that you are the head of State, you can count on us, you can entrust us to help
20 you bring peace back to the country.
21 Aware of this confidence, this trust, we have decided to fully carry out the mandate
22 that is ours, namely the mandate of an intelligence and documentation service. And
23 thus for a number of weeks now we have examined the issue of the Anti-Balaka
24 phenomenon and we have tried to find some way to put an end to this issue, this
25 plague for our country.

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1 And, as a reminder, we would like to say this,
2 - The events of 7 October were funded by the President of the Nation Transitional
3 Council Mr Nguendet and the amount in question was 1.5 million CFA francs to have
4 signs made for 6 million -- and also 6 million CFA francs were spent to organise
5 demonstrations to call upon your resignation, (Redacted)
6 (Redacted)

7 I was just waiting for the interpretation to end, Mr Witness.

8 Now, this document shows that Mr Nguendet of the National Transitional Council
9 was organising demonstrations with (Redacted) with a view to bringing about
10 the resignation of Madam Catherine Samba-Panza. How do you respond to this?
11 What would you have to say?

12 A. [9:55:37] Madam President, I do have some details that I can provide, but I
13 would like to ask if we could scroll up slightly so that I could point out one thing in
14 particular to you.

15 Please scroll up a bit more.

16 Madam President, (Redacted) the presidency of the republic and the intelligence unit
17 within the presidency has to work when it is officially recognised. And the unit has
18 to have a number and that has to be done in hand -- in a handwriting, or written form.
19 And here we see a document, but this document is not official. And I can prove this
20 because there's no official registration number on this document. That's the first
21 thing.

22 As for the re -- the question from counsel, in 2015 (Redacted) at the time of Madam
23 Samba-Panza, Mr Nguendet was the president of the National Council, so I do not
24 understand why Mr Nguendet would be interested in cooperating (Redacted) with
25 a view to driving Samba-Panza out of the government too.

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1 (Redacted) throughout all the neighbourhoods trying to bring about restoration of
2 peace. (Redacted) trying to make reconciliation happen. This is a fake. This is
3 the very first time I have ever seen this document.

4 People who wanted to accept -- to attack others invent such documents, manufacture
5 such documents. This is a fake, there is no registration number. This is what I
6 wanted to say to you.

7 Q. [9:58:21] Thank you. A few follow-up questions, if you don't mind, about what
8 you have just said.

9 Now, to your knowledge, who was the person heading this intelligence unit within
10 the presidency at the time?

11 A. [9:58:43] No, I don't know who was in charge. The head of the unit should sign
12 the bottom of the document and write out his name, so I -- I couldn't tell you.

13 Q. [9:59:05] Very well, thank you.

14 Now, Mr Nguendet who was the president of the National Transitional Council, can
15 you confirm that that person was the president of the republic for 10 days, I believe,
16 between the resignation of Djotodia and the arrival of Ms Samba-Panza; is that
17 correct?

18 A. [9:59:29] Yes. Yes, I can confirm that. He was the president for 10 days, on an
19 acting basis, from 20 January. And on that date President Samba-Panza was elected
20 and he continued carrying out his duties as the president of the National Transitional
21 Council.

22 Q. [10:00:00] So Catherine Samba-Panza was elected by the National Transitional
23 Council to serve as president; is that correct?

24 A. [10:00:09] Yes, that's right.

25 Q. [10:00:20] And Mr Nguendet was not a candidate at that time?

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1 A. [10:00:28] No. If I think about this carefully, it was Nguendet who coordinated
2 the election of the head of state, that is to say he was not entitled to be a candidate
3 because, during the extraordinary meeting in N'Djamena in the presence of
4 President Idriss Deby, he was just granted a few moments to serve on an acting basis
5 after Djotodia left. He did not have an opportunity to -- to offer his presidency. He
6 was not eligible.

7 Q. [10:01:20] Thank you for that information.

8 I've finished with this document. I'd like to request that it be formally submitted.

9 And this is tab 76, CAR-D33-0014-0811.

10 I am sorry, can that document be displayed again. I don't know if it has already
11 been taken off the screen.

12 Thank you very much, court officer. Could we go to page 0812, second page, please.

13 Thank you very much. Perfect.

14 Now, Mr Witness, we take advantage of your presence here to try to clarify
15 the content of this document. We see at the top of the page the following:

16 (Redacted)

17 (Redacted)

18 (Redacted)

19 (Redacted)

20 Now, once again, could you provide us with context. Did such a meeting ever take
21 place at that hotel and what was it all about, Mr Witness?

22 A. [10:03:18] Madam President, as I have already told you, I have undertaken to
23 speak the truth to you and that is what I will do. You see, the Nairobi situation or
24 dossiers, one where some Anti-Balaka and Seleka had met, they travelled to Nairobi
25 to seek an agreement with a view to overthrowing Madam Samba-Panza. When

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- 1 they returned, (Redacted)
- 2 (Redacted)
- 3 (Redacted)
- 4 (Redacted)
- 5 (Redacted)
- 6 (Redacted)
- 7 (Redacted)
- 8 (Redacted)
- 9 (Redacted)
- 10 (Redacted)
- 11 (Redacted)
- 12 (Redacted)
- 13 (Redacted)
- 14 Some persons travelled to Nairobi and even spent up to six months there, but,
- 15 unfortunately, their project didn't succeed.
- 16 It is thanks to the Bangui forum that the international community called for all those
- 17 who had been to Nairobi to be invited to the peace process. And that is why,
- 18 Madam President, I was telling you a short while ago that it is important to always
- 19 verify the authenticity of any documents before they are submitted to the Court.
- 20 Q. [10:05:59] Thank you, Mr Witness. Just to clarify things.
- 21 Did you at any time announce that you were running for the presidency of
- 22 the republic, Mr Witness, yes or no?
- 23 A. [10:06:18] No, never, never.
- 24 Q. [10:06:22] Thank you. That's very clear, Mr Witness.
- 25 Thank you, Mr Witness.

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1 And, Madam President, I'm done with this document and I therefore request that it
2 formally be submitted.

3 Mr Witness, when were you contacted by the OTP of the ICC for the first time, as far
4 as you recall?

5 A. [10:07:30] It was in 2018.

6 Q. [10:07:45] Very well. Did the investigators contact you for the first time by
7 telephone; is that correct?

8 A. [10:08:01] Yes, they called me by telephone and we met for the first time at the
9 Ledger Hotel in Bangui, of course.

10 Q. [10:08:20] Thank you. If I understood your previous statement properly,
11 the first phone call came in on 5 October 2017. Does that jog your memory, that
12 date?

13 A. [10:08:42] Yes. You know, it's a phone call and I -- I might forget the exact date,
14 but all I know is that our first meeting took place in 2018.

15 Q. [10:08:57] Absolutely. I only want to know, you see, when the investigators
16 called you the very first time, did you talk to or with them immediately, did you ask
17 them who they were and how they had obtained your phone number?

18 A. [10:09:24] Well, you refer to them as "investigators", this means that these are
19 people who follow the events in the CAR. I do not know how they came about my
20 phone number, but these are people who work for an international organisation, so I
21 simply had to come hear what they had to tell me after they contacted me.

22 Q. [10:09:49] Can you remind us, what was your position at that time? You were
23 not yet (Redacted), that is at the end of 2017, early 2018. At that
24 time you were not (Redacted), what was your position, Mr Witness?

25 A. [10:10:15] At the end of the (Redacted)

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1 (Redacted). I was on holiday, and it is while I was on holiday that I received the call.
2 In 2018 I travelled several times between (Redacted) in relation to
3 (Redacted), and that is how we met to have some discussions. In 2018 I was in
4 Bangui, and at that time I returned to my duties as an -- (Redacted)
5 (Redacted)

6 Q. [10:11:03] Very well, Mr Witness.

7 So, to get the record straight, you started the interviews in January 2018 and, by that
8 time, if I understand well, you had already returned to your duties as (Redacted)
9 (Redacted); is that correct?

10 A. [10:11:28] You see, I had resumed work before, but when I was away in
11 (Redacted), so in 2018 I was already in active service, so to speak.
12 I had to returned to my duties already.

13 Q. [10:11:55] Very well. Before you talked to the investigators, did you inform
14 your hierarchy, did you inform your superiors to, for example, obtain authorisation to
15 talk with the investigators?

16 A. [10:12:14] Well, you know, we were already working for the international
17 community and we were dealing here with the ICC. They had information and they
18 called me and I came to hear what they had to tell me. I did not seek any
19 authorisation. I was aware that some events had taken place in the country and that
20 they had come to conduct investigations, so I could not turn down their invitation to
21 talk.

22 Q. [10:12:59] That is very clear, Mr Witness.

23 Did the investigators pay for any of your expenses, travel, telephone, and what have
24 you? Health costs, for example?

25 A. [10:13:24] You know, at that time, I was already working, I was a (Redacted)

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1 (Redacted), and so, when they called me, I took care of my transport.

2 Madam President, they are not the ones who paid for my transport. And I used to
3 live at PK9. To travel from PK9 to Hotel Ledger, that's a very short trip, so I paid for
4 my transportation myself.

5 Q. [10:13:54] Very well. After your statement was taken in 2018, did you maintain
6 contact with the investigators of the OTP, Mr Witness?

7 A. [10:14:11] They had met with me and they drafted a report. And think our
8 meetings lasted about two weeks and then they came back sometime later in 2018.
9 But before they came, they would write to me, they would call me, or the field office
10 in Bangui would inform me that the ICC team was coming and so that's how we
11 would get to meet.

12 Q. [10:14:56] Thank you, Mr Witness.

13 Did anybody in Bangui come to meet you to say they had contributed to
14 the investigators, or, should I say, they had talked with the investigators of the ICC?

15 A. [10:15:28] No. I believe that the ICC procedure is confidential. When they
16 contacted me, they asked to meet me, they didn't ask to meet other persons. So
17 I don't have any information whereby anyone else was contacted. I think they work
18 according to the principle of confidentiality.

19 Q. [10:16:04] Very well, Mr Witness.

20 Now I would like to display tab 80 of our list, CAR-OTP-2127-3964.

21 Mr Witness, it is an investigation report drawn up by the investigators of the OTP
22 establishing their contact with you. It is a document in English, we don't have
23 a French version, so I will offer a French translation for you so that we can discuss it,
24 Mr Witness. Do you agree?

25 A. [10:16:41] Yes, I do.

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1 Q. [10:16:46] So, if we go to page 3966, first page of the document.
2 At paragraph 13, the investigators tell us here that you, P-0884, stated that you had
3 obtained information from some insiders relating to their interactions with the OTP in
4 Bangui. People know in Bangui that the OTP staff usually met witnesses in different
5 hotels to take their statement. This can also jeopardise the staff of the OTP and their
6 security.

7 P-0884, you, Mr Witness, provided some examples. And then there's a list of
8 examples, for example, (Redacted) who had informed P-0884 that he had met
9 the investigators in a hotel. The investigators had asked him to provide a statement
10 to the OTP and he had been promised to get a new passport in order to travel abroad
11 for that purpose.

12 Then we also have a second name, (Redacted)
13 and who had made a statement to the OTP.

14 And then there is another (Redacted)

15 So the investigators tell us here that you had talked with some people who had
16 mentioned to you that they had had discussions with the OTP. Does this jog your
17 memory, Mr Witness?

18 A. [10:18:55] No, it doesn't jog my memory.

19 Q. [10:19:10] Very well, Mr Witness. Thank you for that clarification.

20 I have no further questions on this document and I simply apply for formal
21 submission of OTP -- that document, CAR-OTP-2127-3964.

22 And that would be my last question, Madam President.

23 Thank you, Madam President, I am -- thank you, Mr Witness.

24 Madam President, I am finished with this witness.

25 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:19:42] All right. Thank you very much,

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1 Mr Jacobs.

2 Mr Choudhry, do you have any question in re-examination?

3 MR CHOUDHRY: [10:19:49] Thank you, your Honours. The Prosecution has no
4 further questions in re-examination.

5 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:19:55] Thank you. Okay. Thank you very much
6 then.

7 Mr Witness, on behalf of the Chamber I wish to express our appreciation to you for
8 helping us in our endeavour to solicit the truth about what happened in the CAR
9 during the period concerned. We wish you well in all that you do in your future
10 endeavours.

11 Maybe, before I continue, let me ask the court officer to put us on -- in private -- in
12 open session and ask my colleagues if they have maybe questions to put to this
13 witness. Just a moment.

14 Can we go into open session, please, Madam.

15 (Open session at 10.21 a.m.)

16 THE COURT OFFICER: [10:21:00] We are in open session, Madam President.

17 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:21:16] I'm sorry, Madam Court Officer, can we go
18 back into private session, please.

19 (Private session at 10.21 a.m.)

20 THE COURT OFFICER: [10:21:33] We are back to private session, Madam President.

21 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:21:37] Thank you very much.

22 Mr Witness, I'm going to ask my colleague on my right to put a few questions, one or
23 two questions, to you. Thank you.

24 Judge Flores, please.

25 JUDGE FLORES LIERA: [10:21:50] Thank you. Thank you very much,

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1 Madam President.

2 And, Mr Witness, good morning. I have just one question.

3 In your testimony in the Yekatom and Ngaïssona case, you stated that Levy Yakete
4 was president of COCORA, a group that at the end of 2012 and beginning of 2013 was
5 organising demonstrations against the Seleka in Bangui. What happened to
6 the members of COCORA when the Seleka took over Bangui, do you have any
7 recollection of that?

8 THE WITNESS: [10:22:36](Interpretation) Thank you, your Honour.

9 I don't have any information about them in that regard. However, Levy Yakete died
10 a tragic death in a traffic accident. I don't have any further information about
11 the other members.

12 JUDGE FLORES LIERA: [10:23:03] Thank you. Thank you very much for your
13 answer, Mr Witness. I have no more questions. Thank you.

14 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:23:08] Mr Witness, just maybe for clarity, because
15 you mentioned a name, "Rambo", when you were asked by counsel for the Defence
16 about Bertin Nganabeam. You referred to a name, "Rambo". Could you give
17 a better identification of who Rambo is, did he have a -- another name? Do you
18 know his real name?

19 THE WITNESS: [10:23:48](Interpretation) His name is Yekatom, Alfred Yekatom
20 Rombhot. His name is Rombhot and it is spelled R-H-O-M-B-O-T. I think that is
21 how Rombhot is spelt, R-H-O-M-O-T.

22 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:24:14] Thank you very much, Mr Witness.

23 As I was saying, we do appreciate your -- your support to the Court by way of your
24 testimony. We wish you well in all that you do and in your future endeavours. We
25 wish you safe travelling mercies back to your area of location.

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- 1 THE WITNESS: [10:24:38](No interpretation)
- 2 (The witness is excused)
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:24:45] And, with that, I think we've come to
- 4 the end of this block of witnesses.
- 5 Madam Court Officer, can you get us into open session, please.
- 6 (Open session at 10.25 a.m.)
- 7 THE COURT OFFICER: [10:25:29] We are in open session, Madam President.
- 8 PRESIDING JUDGE SAMBA: [10:25:33] Yes.
- 9 As I was saying, counsel, and Rule 74 counsel and participant for victims
- 10 representative, I'm going to adjourn this matter until we meet again on 10 June as per
- 11 the Court calendar. And when hopefully we'll meet, I think we'll continue with 510
- 12 and the rest of the Prosecution witnesses.
- 13 So I rise the Court and ask that we come again on 10 June at 9.30. I wish you all
- 14 good rest, including the interpreters.
- 15 THE COURT USHER: [10:26:12] All rise.
- 16 (The hearing ends in open session at 10.26 a.m.)