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# Report of the Registry on the approximate costs allocated so far within the Court in relation to referrals by the Security Council

### I. Background

- 1. At its fourteenth session, the Assembly of States Parties ("the Assembly"), "request[ed] the Registry to report on the approximate costs allocated so far within the Court in relation to referrals by the Security Council."
- 2. Article 115 of the Rome Statute provides that "the expenses of the Court and the Assembly of States Parties, including its Bureau and subsidiary bodies, as provided for in the budget decided by the Assembly of States Parties, shall be provided by the following sources:
  - (a) Assessed contributions made by States Parties; and
- (b) Funds provided by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the General Assembly, in particular in relation to the expenses incurred due to referrals by the Security Council."
- 3. In operative paragraph 26 of the resolution ICC-ASP/14/Res.4 titled "Strengthening the International Criminal Court and the Assembly of States Parties", the Assembly "[n]otes with concern that, to date, expenses incurred by the Court due to referrals by the United Nations Security Council have been borne exclusively by States Parties, and urges States Parties to begin discussions on a possible way forward on this issue, including the implementation of article 115, paragraph (b), of the Rome Statute also taking into account that article 13, paragraph 1, of the Relationship Agreement between the Court and the United Nations states that the conditions under which any funds may be provided to the Court by a decision of the General Assembly of the United Nations shall be subject to separate arrangements."

### II. Approximate costs allocated

4. It needs to be noted that the approximate cost allocations indicated below exclude limited cross-cutting costs associated with operational support activities for all the different situations and cases in the Court. The Court's budget methodology does not include distribution of support costs to its operations.<sup>2</sup> The estimate below can therefore not be considered to be a fully accurate costing of the situations, following a standard cost accounting methodology; rather, it is an approximate budgetary indication of the direct impact of the situations as allotted in the Court's yearly budgets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ICC-ASP/14/Res.4, Annex I, para 3(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For example, the generic cost of IT equipment is borne by the Registry section responsible for IT and such costs do not appear under the budget of teams operating in a particular situation, such as Libya or Sudan.

5. To date, the approved budgets allocated so far within the Court in relation to the referrals made by the Security Council³ amount to approximately €55 million over the years, as illustrated by the table below:

Table: Regular budget costs<sup>4</sup> – approved budget (in thousands of euros)

Year	Situation Darfur	Situation Darfur OTP	Situation Darfur Registry	Situation Libya	Situation Libya OTP	Situation Libya Registry
2006	5,755.2	4,253.2	1,468.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
2007	6,158.6	4,480.5	1,678.1	N/A	N/A	N/A
2008	7,080.8	4,182.6	2,861.5	N/A	N/A	N/A
2009	7,575.6	4,344.1	3,225.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
2010	6,602.6	4,050.5	2,552.1	N/A	N/A	N/A
2011	4,728.9	2,375.0	2,353.9	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3,158.1	2,310.2	874.9	6,487.9	4,890.8	1,597.1
2013	1,659.5	1,519.9	139.6	1,659.5	1,406.7	252.8
2014	1,265.2	1,058.1	207.1	584.3	340.2	244.1
2015	336.0	167.1	168.9	622.8	594.4	28.5
2016	519.4	336.4	183.0	733.6	528.7	203.1
Total	44,867.0	29,077.6	15,712.7	10,088.1	7,760.7	2,325.6
Grand total	54,955.05					

- 6. The approximate costs have been determined based on the planned budgetary allocation included in the Court's yearly budgets, as approved by the States Parties. The first column specifies all Court budgeted costs foreseen for the situation concerned, including the Trust Fund for Victims' budgeted activities, while the second and third columns detail respectively the OTP and Registry budget allocation per situation.
- 7. Notably, the above allocation of resources consists of those funds directly associated with the situations in Libya and Darfur, Sudan. These funds have covered, inter alia, the different cost allocations related to investigative and cooperation-related missions, allocations related to judicial proceedings in both situations (notably regarding the pre-trial proceedings, including initial appearances and two confirmation of charges, in the cases of The Prosecutor v. Ahmad Harun and Ali Kushayb, The Prosecutor v. Omar Hassan Ahmad Al Bashir, The Prosecutor v. Abu Garda, The Prosecutor v. Abdallah Banda and Saleh Jerbo, The Prosecutor v. Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein, The Prosecutor v. Muammar Mohammed Abu Minyar Gaddafi, The Prosecutor v. Abdullah Al-Senussi, and The Prosecutor v. Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi), as well as allocations related to field operations (such as witness protection, outreach activities, security). In the situation of Darfur, Sudan, these costs also include the creation and running of two field offices (in N'Djamena and Abeché, from 2005 to 2011).

<sup>3</sup> United Nations Security Council resolution 1593 (2005) and 1970 (2011).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The 'costs' presented in the table are planned expenditures as included in the Court's yearly budgets and do not reflect actual expenditures.