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# 1 August 2011 #88 ICC Weekly Update



## Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

In this situation, four cases have been brought before the relevant Chambers: *The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo*; *The Prosecutor v. Bosco Ntaganda*; *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui*; and *The Prosecutor v. Callixte Mbarushimana*. The accused Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui and the suspect Callixte Mbarushimana are currently in the custody of the ICC. The suspect Bosco Ntaganda remains at large. The trial in the case *The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo* started on 26 January 2009. The trial in the case *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui* started on 24 November 2009. The confirmation of charges hearing in the case *The Prosecutor v. Callixte Mbarushimana* is scheduled to start on 17 August 2011.

### Decisions taken between 25 - 29 July 2011

#### Lubanga Dyilo Case

##### **Redacted Decision on the Prosecution's Request for Non-Disclosure of Information in Six Documents**

Issued by Trial Chamber I on 25 July 2011

##### **Redacted version of the Decision on the applications by 7 victims to participate in the proceedings**

Issued by Trial Chamber I on 25 July 2011

#### Mbarushimana Case

##### **Decision on the "Defence Request for an extension of the time limit for the inspection and submission of its evidence for use at the confirmation hearing"**

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 26 July 2011

##### **Fourth decision on the review of potentially privileged material**

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 26 July 2011

##### **Decision on the "Defence request for a status conference to determine the admissibility of two categories of evidence on which the Prosecution intends to rely at the confirmation hearing"**

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 27 July 2011

##### **Decision on "Second Defence request for interim release"**

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 26 July 2011

## Situation in the Republic of Kenya

On 31 March 2010, Pre-Trial Chamber II granted the Prosecutor's request to open an investigation *proprio motu* in the situation in Kenya, State Party since 2005. Following summonses to appear issued on 8 March 2011, six Kenyan citizens voluntarily appeared before Pre-Trial Chamber II on 7 and 8 April 2011. Confirmation of charges hearings in the following two cases: *The Prosecutor v. William Samoei Ruto, Henry Kiprono Kosgey and Joshua Arap Sang* and *The Prosecutor v. Francis Kirimi Muthaura, Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta and Mohammed Hussein Ali*, are scheduled for 1 and 21 September 2011, respectively.

### Decisions taken between 25 - 29 July 2011

#### Ruto, Kosgey and Sang Case

##### **Order to the Defence to Reduce the Number of Witnesses to Be Called to Testify at the Confirmation of Charges Hearing and to Submit an Amended List of Viva Voce Witnesses**

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber II on 25 July 2011

### Decision on the “Filing of Updated Investigation Report by the Government of Kenya in the Appeal against the Pre-Trial Chamber’s Decision on Admissibility”

Issued by the Appeals Chamber on 28 July 2011

#### Muthaura, Kenyatta and Ali Case

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### Situation in the Central African Republic

The situation was referred to the Court by the Government of the Central African Republic in December 2004. The Prosecutor opened an investigation in May 2007. In the only case in this situation, *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*, Pre-Trial Chamber II confirmed, on 15 June 2009, two charges of crimes against humanity and three charges of war crimes, and committed the accused to trial before Trial Chamber III. The trial started on 22 November 2010.

Decisions taken between 25 - 29 July 2011

#### Bemba Case

### Redacted Version of Decision on the “Defence Motion for Disclosure Pursuant to Rule 77”

Issued by Trial Chamber III on 29 July 2011

### Situation in the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire

Côte d’Ivoire, which is not party to the Rome Statute, **had accepted the jurisdiction** of the ICC on 18 April 2003; more recently, and on both 14 December 2010 and 3 May 2011, the Presidency of Côte d’Ivoire **reconfirmed the country’s acceptance** of this jurisdiction. On 23 June 2011, the ICC Prosecutor submitted a request to the Pre-Trial Chamber asking for authorisation to open an investigation into the situation in Côte d’Ivoire since 28 November 2010.

Decisions taken between 25 - 29 July 2011

### Decision on the VPRS request for an extension of time to report on victims’ representations pursuant to Regulation 35 of the Regulations of the Court

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber III on 28 July 2011

#### Relevant Links

**Courtroom proceedings** can be followed on the ICC website: [www.icc-cpi.int](http://www.icc-cpi.int)

You can also consult the **hearing schedule**

**Video summaries** can be found on our **YouTube channel**

The ICC’s activities can also be followed through **Twitter**

## Events

### The Bureau recommends Ambassador Tiina Intelmann (Estonia) for President of the Assembly for the next triennium

On 26 July 2011, the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties decided to recommend that Ambassador Tiina Intelmann be elected President of the Assembly of States Parties at the beginning of the tenth session of the Assembly which will be held from 12 to 21 December 2011 in New York. She would hold the presidency from the tenth to the twelfth session.

Ambassador Intelmann has a broad professional experience in international matters and relations and has previously served as the Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations as well as to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. Ambassador Intelmann has been working on issues related to the United Nations for over ten years, most recently successfully co-facilitating the negotiations on the system-wide coherence reform establishing UN Women. She has previously also led negotiations on humanitarian affairs at the UN.



Ambassador Tiina Intelmann (Estonia)  
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Ambassador Intelmann has a Master of Arts in Italian language and literature from Leningrad State University in St Petersburg, Russian Federation.

For further information on the Assembly of States Parties, please e-mail to [asp@icc-cpi.int](mailto:asp@icc-cpi.int).

Source: Assembly of States Parties

## Interacting with communities

### Central African Republic: VPRS holds training seminar for local intermediaries assisting victims



Members of the Victims Participation and Reparations Section and legal representatives answer participants' questions © ICC-CPI

From 25 to 29 July 2011, the Victims Participation and Reparations Section (VPRS) of the Registry of the International Criminal Court (ICC) held a training seminar in Bangui, capital of the Central African Republic (CAR), to build capacity amongst local intermediaries working with victims. The intermediaries are individuals residing in the CAR who have volunteered to assist victims in their community by giving them information about their rights before the Court and by helping them to access justice.

The training seminar followed on from initial training given to the intermediaries, and aimed at building the intermediaries' capacity to assist victims. The role of the intermediaries in contact with the VPRS is crucial in implementing victims' rights to be informed, to participate in proceedings via a legal representative and, potentially, to apply for reparation.

Members of human rights organisations and local associations, as well as teachers, lawyers and other professionals, took part in the seminar. They represented all the areas of the Central African Republic affected by the crimes being prosecuted before the ICC in relation to the CAR: Bangui, Damara, Sibut, Mongoumba, Bossembele, Bossempte, Bozoum and Bossangoa.

One of the aims of the seminar was to build capacity in terms of methodology of working with victims and to raise awareness of good practice in interacting with them. Sessions were held on issues such as psychological support for victims, confidentiality and safety, and the various ethical issues facing intermediaries.

Laetitia Bonnet, the VPRS officer responsible for the Bangui office, closed the seminar by encouraging participants to "face the challenges of working with victims with determination and enthusiasm".

To date, 1619 victims have been authorised to participate, via their lawyers, in the proceedings in the Jean-Pierre Bemba case in the situation in the CAR. Victims wishing to file applications for participation must do so before 16 September 2011 by getting in contact with the ICC office in Bangui. After that date, only applications for reparation will be considered.

Source: Victims Participation and Reparations Section

### ICC Judge Joyce Aluoch engages with legal and academic communities in Kenya and Rwanda



ICC Judge Aluoch addressing lawyers in Kisumu, Kenya, 25 July 2011 © ICC-CPI

On Friday, 29 July 2011, Judge Joyce Aluoch, who is assigned to the Trial Division of the International Criminal Court (ICC or the Court), completed a five-day trip to Kenya and Rwanda, where she met with members of the legal and academic communities to raise awareness about the ICC's mandate and activities as well as to encourage female lawyers to apply to practice before the Court.

On 25 July, over 20 lawyers from Kisumu (Kenya) and, on 28 July, 80 lawyers from Kigali (Rwanda), attended information sessions organised in partnership with local bar associations and law societies as part of the "Calling African Female Lawyers" campaign conducted by the Court. Judge Aluoch explained to attendees that "African female lawyers are conspicuously missing at the ICC and this campaign is aimed to encourage you to enlist to the ICC List of Counsel and Assistants to Counsel in order to fill this gap".

Judge Aluoch emphasized that "vulnerable groups of victims, including women and children, who have suffered serious offences which fall under the jurisdiction of the Court often have great difficulty in openly sharing their experiences with others, and therefore stand to gain immeasurably from being represented by qualified female lawyers with whom they can feel more at ease and who can ably represent their interests before the Court".

Taking the opportunity of her presence in the region, Judge Aluoch also gave a lecture on 29 July to 160 students at the National University of Rwanda, regarding "Recent developments and future prospects of the ICC". During the lecture, Judge Aluoch encouraged students to get involved in the ICC's work. She also explained: "the growing support for the ICC is very encouraging. It is a sign of determination of the international community to fight impunity and achieve accountability. Ending impunity is a task that concerns us all and requires our concerted efforts".

These events, organised as part of the ICC's public information strategy for 2011-2013, aim to increase awareness of the ICC within legal and academic communities as well as to keep members of these communities engaged in direct and constructive dialogue with the Court.



## Calendar

AUGUST 2011						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5 ICC President Song to call on African Female Lawyers in Maputo, Mozambique	6	7
			ICC President Song to participate in the Southern African Development Community Lawyers' Association AGM in Maputo, Mozambique			
Court Recess						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Confirmation of charges hearing to commence in the case <i>The Prosecutor vs. Callixte Mbarushimana</i>	18	19	20	21
22	23 ICC to host Welcoming Ceremony for Grenada, 115th State Party to the Rome Statute	24	25	26 Closing oral statements to be made in the case <i>The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo</i>	27	28
29	30	31				
<b>1 September: Confirmation of charges hearing to commence in the case <i>The Prosecutor v. William Samoei Ruto, Henry Kiprono Kosgey and Joshua Arap Sang</i></b>						
<b>22 September: Confirmation of charges hearing to commence in the case <i>The Prosecutor v. Francis Kirimi Muthaura, Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta and Mohammed Hussein Ali</i></b>						

The calendar is subject to last minute changes.