



Quick Facts

Established: By the Rome Statute that entered into force on 1 July, 2002.

States Parties: 110 countries.

Crimes within the Court's jurisdiction: The most serious crimes of concern to the international community, namely genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes committed after 1 July, 2002.

Judges: 18 judges elected for nine years by the Assembly of States Parties.

President: Judge Sang-Hyun Song.

Prosecutor: Mr Luis Moreno-Ocampo.

Registrar: Ms Silvana Arbia.

Staff: Over 800 from approximately 90 States.

Official languages: English, French, Arabic, Chinese, Russian and Spanish.

Working languages: English and French.

Headquarters: The Hague, the Netherlands.

Field offices: Kinshasa and Bunia (DRC); Kampala (Uganda); Bangui (CAR); N'Djamena and Abeche (Chad).

Programme budget for 2010: €104 million.

Investigations: The Office of the Prosecutor has

been conducting investigations in four situations: Uganda, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Central African Republic and Darfur, Sudan. In addition, on 26 November, 2009, the Prosecutor sought authorisation from Pre-Trial Chamber II to open an investigation in the situation in Kenya. The judges' decision is pending.

Preliminary analysis: The Office of the Prosecutor is conducting examinations in Afghanistan, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Georgia, Palestine and Guinea.

Arrest warrants: 13 have been issued with one having been withdrawn following the death of one suspect. In addition, one summons to appear was issued for Bahar Idriss Abu Garda.

In custody: Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui in the context of the situation in the DRC; Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo in the context of the situation in the CAR.

At large: Eight suspects.

Cases: Eight cases.

Trials: Two trials pertaining to the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: *The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo* and *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui.* The trial in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo* is scheduled to commence on 27 April, 2010.

Case Updates

Situation in Uganda

The situation was referred to the Court by the Government of Uganda in December, 2003. The Prosecutor opened an investigation in July, 2004.

- 5 warrants of arrest (1 withdrawn)
- o suspects in custody
- 4 suspects at large
- 1 case
- o trials

The Prosecutor v. Joseph Kony, Vincent Otti, Okot Odhiambo and Dominic Ongwen

Five warrants of arrest have been issued against top members of the Lords Resistance Army (LRA) for crimes against humanity and war crimes committed in Uganda since July, 2002. Following the confirmed death of **Raska Lukwiya**, the proceedings against him have been terminated. The four remaining suspects are still at large.

Situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The situation was referred to the Court by the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in April, 2004. The Prosecutor opened an investigation in June, 2004.

- 4 warrants of arrest
- 3 accused in custody
- 1 suspect at large
- 3 cases
- 2 trials

The Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo

Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, alleged founder of the *Union des patriotes congolais* [Union of Congolese Patriots] (*UPC*) and the *Forces patriotiques pour la libération du Congo* [Patriotic Forces for the Liberation of Congo] (*FPLC*), alleged former Commander-in-Chief of the FPLC and alleged president of the UPC, is accused of committing the war crimes of enlisting and conscription of children under the age of 15 into the FPLC and using them to participate actively in hostilities between September, 2002, and August, 2003. The trial started on 26 January, 2009. The Prosecution finished its presentation on 14 July, 2009. The Defence started to present its case on 27 January, 2010.

The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui

Germain Katanga, alleged commander of the *Force de résistance patriotique en Ituri* [Patriotic Resistance Force in Ituri] (*FRPI*), and **Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui**, alleged former leader of the *Front des nationalistes et intégrationnistes* [National Integrationist Front] (*FNI*), face counts of crimes against humanity (murder, rape and sexual slavery) and war crimes (using children under the age of fifteen to take active part in the hostilities, directing an attack against a civilian population as such or against individual civilians not taking direct part in hostilities, destruction of property, pillaging and sexual slavery). The trial started on 24 November, 2009.

The Prosecutor v. Bosco Ntaganda

Bosco Ntaganda, former alleged Deputy Chief of the General Staff of the *Forces Patriotiques pour la Libération du Congo* [Patriotic Forces for the Liberation of Congo] (*FPLC*), is alleged to have committed war crimes of enlistment and conscription of children under the age of 15 and of using them to participate actively in hostilities in Ituri in the DRC from July, 2002, until December, 2003. The warrant of arrest was delivered on 22 August, 2006, under seal and unsealed on 28 April, 2008. The suspect remains at large.

Situation in Darfur, Sudan

The situation was referred to the Court by the United Nations Security Council in its resolution 1593 of 31 March, 2005. The Prosecutor opened an investigation in June, 2005.

- 3 warrants of arrest
- 1 summons to appear
- o suspects in custody
- 3 suspects at large
- 3 cases
- o trials

The Prosecutor v. Ahmad Muhammad Harun ("Ahmad Harun") and Ali Muhammad Ali Abd-Al-Rahman ("Ali Kushayb")

Two warrants of arrest have been issued for the former Minister of State for the Interior, **Ahmad Harun**, and the alleged leader of *Janjaweed* militia, **Ali Kushayb**, for crimes against humanity and war crimes. The two suspects remain at large.

The Prosecutor v. Omar Hassan Ahmad Al Bashir

A warrant of arrest was issued on 4 March, 2009, for Sudanese President **Omar Al Bashir** listing five counts of crimes against humanity (murder, extermination, forcible transfer, torture and rape) and two counts of war crimes (intentionally directing attacks against a civilian population as such or against individual civilians not taking part in

hostilities and pillaging) on the basis of his individual criminal responsibility as an indirect (co)perpetrator. On 3 February, 2010, the Appeals Chamber directed Pre-Trial Chamber I to decide whether the arrest warrant should be extended to cover the charge of genocide. The suspect remains at large.

The Prosecutor v. Bahar Idriss Abu Garda

Bahar Idriss Abu Garda, chairman and general co-ordinator of military operations of the United Resistance Front, appeared voluntarily before the Court on 18 May, 2009, following a summons to appear. He was charged with three counts of war crimes (violence to life, intentionally directing attacks against personnel, installations, material, units and vehicles involved in a peacekeeping mission and pillaging) allegedly committed during an attack carried out on 29 September, 2007, against the African Union Peacekeeping Mission in Sudan (AMIS). On 8 February, 2010, Pre-Trial Chamber I declined to confirm the charges against him due to insufficient evidence. The decision does not preclude the Prosecution from subsequently requesting confirmation of the charges if such a request is supported by additional evidence. The Prosecution can also submit a request for leave to appeal the decision. Abu Garda is not in the custody of the ICC.

The Court is also examining the Prosecutor's application for the issuance of warrants of arrest or summons to appear against two other individuals for war crimes committed during the attack on African Union peacekeepers in Darfur on 29 September, 2007.

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.

- 1 warrant of arrest
- 1 accused in custody
- o suspects at large
- 1 case
- 1 trial scheduled for April 2010

The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo

Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo, alleged President and Commander-in-chief of the *Mouvement de libération du Congo* [Movement for the Liberation of Congo] (*MLC*), faces charges as a military commander for two counts of crimes against humanity (rape and murder) and three counts of war crimes (rape, murder and pillaging). The opening of the trial has been scheduled for 27 April, 2010.