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# 23 April 2012 #124 ICC Weekly Update



## 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 16 - 21 April 2012

### Bemba Case

#### Decision on the Defence Request for an Extension of Time

Issued by Trial Chamber III on 20 April 2012

## 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*. Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui 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. Trial Chamber I convicted Mr Lubanga Dyilo on 14 March 2012, and will hold a hearing to pronounce the sentence at a later stage. The trial in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui* started on 24 November 2009. On 16 December 2011, Pre-Trial Chamber I declined to confirm the charges against Mr Mbarushimana. He was released on 23 December 2011. After being granted leave to appeal by Pre-Trial Chamber I, the ICC Prosecutor appealed the decision on 12 March 2012.

Decisions taken between 16 - 21 April 2012

### Lubanga Dyilo Case

#### Decision granting leave to make representations in the reparations proceedings

Issued by Trial Chamber I on 20 April 2012

### Katanga and Ngudjolo Chui Case

#### Ordonnance relative aux modalités de présentation des conclusions orales

Issued by Trial Chamber II on 20 April 2012

## Situation in Darfur, Sudan

There are four cases in the situation in Darfur, Sudan: *The Prosecutor v. Ahmad Muhammad Harun ("Ahmad Harun") and Ali Muhammad Ali Abd-Al-Rahman ("Ali Kushayb")*; *The Prosecutor v. Omar Hassan Ahmad Al Bashir*; *The Prosecutor v. Bahar Idriss Abu Garda*; *The Prosecutor v. Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain and Saleh Mohammed Jerbo Jamus*; and *The Prosecutor v. Abdel Raheem Muhammad Hussein*. Five warrants of arrest have been issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I for Messrs Harun, Kushayb, Al Bashir and Hussein. The four suspects remain at large. A summons to appear was issued for Mr Abu Garda who appeared voluntarily before the Chamber on 18 May 2009. After the hearing of confirmation of charges, in February 2010, Pre-Trial Chamber I declined to confirm the charges. Mr Abu Garda is not in the custody of the ICC. Two other summonses to appear were issued against Mr Banda and Mr Jerbo who appeared voluntarily on 17 June 2010; the confirmation of charges hearing took place on 8 December 2010. On 7 March 2011, Pre-Trial Chamber I unanimously decided to confirm the charges of war crimes brought by the ICC Prosecutor against Mr Banda and Mr Jerbo, and committed them to trial. On 16 March 2011, the ICC Presidency constituted Trial Chamber IV and referred the case to it.

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### Banda and Jerbo Case

#### Order on the recruitment of Zaghawa language assistants by the prosecution

Issued by Trial Chamber IV on 18 April 2012

## Situation in Libya

On 26 February 2011, the United Nations Security Council decided unanimously to refer the situation in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya since 15 February 2011 to the ICC Prosecutor. On 3 March 2011, the ICC Prosecutor announced his decision to open an investigation in the situation in Libya, which was assigned by the Presidency to Pre-Trial Chamber I. On 27 June 2011, Pre-Trial Chamber I issued three warrants of arrest respectively for **Muammar Mohammed Abu Minyar Gaddafi**, **Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi** and **Abdullah Al-Senussi** for crimes against humanity (murder and persecution) allegedly committed across Libya from 15 until at least 28 February 2011, through the State apparatus and Security Forces. On 22 November 2011, Pre-Trial Chamber I formally terminated the case against Muammar Gaddafi due to his death.

Decisions taken between 16 - 21 April 2012

### Gaddafi and Al-Senussi Case

#### Decision Appointing Counsel from the OPCD as Counsel for Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 17 April 2012

#### Decision on the Presiding Judge of the Appeals Chamber in the appeal of Libya against the decision of Pre-Trial Chamber I entitled "Decision Regarding the Second Request by the Government of Libya for Postponement of the Surrender of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi"

Issued by the Appeals Chamber on 20 April 2012

## Situation in 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 3 October 2011, the Pre-Trial Chamber authorised the Prosecutor to open an investigation into the situation in Côte d'Ivoire since 28 November 2010. The hearing on the confirmation of charges in the case *The Prosecutor v. Laurent Gbagbo*, the only case currently heard before the Court in this situation, is scheduled to start on 18 June 2012.

Decisions taken between 16 - 21 April 2012

### Gbagbo Case

#### Decision on the "Prosecution's request pursuant to Regulation 35 for variation of time limit to submit a request for redactions and for the extension of time for disclosure"

Issued by Pre-Trial Chamber I on 20 April 2012

## 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

### ICC launches a tenth anniversary website

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The International Criminal Court (ICC) has launched a website ([www.10a.icc-cpi.info](http://www.10a.icc-cpi.info)) to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute.

After 60 States had ratified the Rome Statute, on 1 July 2002, the ICC started its activities marking a historic milestone towards ending impunity. Governed by the Rome Statute, the ICC is the first permanent, treaty-based, international criminal court established to help end impunity for the perpetrators of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community. The Court is a fully functional institution supported by 121 States Parties. It has undertaken seven investigations, 15 cases and issued 20 arrest warrants.



To use the 10-year anniversary logo on your event posters and publications, please contact [10A.info@icc-cpi.int](mailto:10A.info@icc-cpi.int).

The ICC supports initiatives of stakeholders to celebrate the tenth anniversary. The website provides free tools, including publications and audio-visual materials, for those hosting events. Additionally, it aims at serving as a platform for States and non-States Parties, intergovernmental and regional organizations, academia and civil society to share information on specific activities throughout the year. The website, which is available in English and French, features a calendar of events, a photo gallery, press releases, and further background information about the Court.

Stakeholders can submit their activities and events to the website via the following email: [10A.info@icc-cpi.int](mailto:10A.info@icc-cpi.int).

**Link:** Letter of the President of the Assembly of States Parties to States, intergovernmental organizations and civil society to appeal to organize events under the theme “Tenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute”.

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### President of the Assembly meets with UN actors

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In the framework of deepening cooperation between the United Nations (“the UN”) and the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute (“the Assembly”), the President of the Assembly, Ambassador Tiina Intelmann (Estonia) met with H.E. Mr Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the 66th session of the UN General Assembly, Ms Helen Clark, Administrator of the UN Development Programme (UNDP) as well as with Ms Michelle Bachelet, Head of the UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN WOMEN).

At their meeting on 10 April 2012, President Nasser and President Intelmann discussed the interaction between the International Criminal Court (“the Court”) and the various organs of the UN, touching, among other issues, on the question of the modalities of financing situations referred to the Court by the UN Security Council. The importance of strengthening cooperation between the Assembly and the Court on the one hand and regional organizations and non-States Parties on the other was also discussed.



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On 3 April 2012, Ms Clark and President Intelmann spoke about the importance of integrating the issue of positive complementarity into UN development activities, and actions that UNDP was currently undertaking in this regard. Complementarity refers to assistance to States in strengthening their own judicial capacities so as to be able to try crimes under the Rome Statute, i.e., genocide, war crimes

and crimes against humanity, domestically. The issue of reparations to the victims of persons convicted by the Court was also touched upon.

In their 9 April 2012 discussions, Ms Bachelet and President Intelmann focused on gender-based crimes in the context of the Rome Statute. They also discussed the importance of reparations for victims of mass crimes, especially as it pertains to the work of the Court's Trust Fund for Victims.

During her term of office, Ambassador Intelmann hopes to be able to strengthen the role of the Assembly in complementarity efforts, and to that end, plans further meetings with development actors in order to improve coordination.

Statement: **English**

Source: *Assembly of States Parties*

### Delegation from the High Court of Justice of Chad visits the ICC



ICC Judge Bruno Cotte with the Delegation from the High Court of Justice of Chad at the seat of the Court in The Hague © ICC-CPI

On 19 April 2012, a delegation from the High Court of Justice of Chad visited the International Criminal Court (ICC). The delegation met with ICC Judge Bruno Cotte as well as other high-ranking Court officials.

## Calendar

APRIL 2012						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Committee on Budget and Finance to hold its 18 <sup>th</sup> Session						
	Delegation from the Supreme Court of Latvia to visit the ICC			Court to host ICC Trial Competition (English)		
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MAY 2012						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Judge Anita Ušacka to participate in the 11th Biennial International Conference titled "Keeping Safe, Keeping Well", hosted by the International Association of Women Judges (IAWJ), London (UK) <sup>1</sup>			Judge Hans-Peter Kaul to speak on the ICC at the annual conference of the Arbeitskreis Völkerstrafrecht (Cologne) and at the International Academy of Nuremberg Principles (Nuremberg, Germany) <sup>2</sup>	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Judge Silvia Fernandez de Gurmendi, at the invitation of the ICTJ, to deliver a lecture on the ICC at a training course for the Guatemalan Supreme Court Judges, New York (USA) <sup>2</sup>					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Closing Statements in the case against Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui					
	ICC First Vice-President, Judge Sanji Monageng, to speak at the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Regional East African Judicial Officers Training Workshop: International Criminal Justice, Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crimes (Mauritius) <sup>2</sup>					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Closing Statements in the case against Germain Katanga and Mathieu Ngudjolo Chui						
- 29 May – 1 June: ICC to host NGO Roundtable - From 18 June 2012: Confirmation of charges hearing in the case against Laurent Gbagbo						

1. Travel costs covered by the Judge.

2. The ICC is grateful to the organizers for covering the costs of the Court's participation.

The calendar is subject to last minute changes.