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**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III**

**Before:** Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, Presiding Judge  
Judge Hans-Peter Kaul, Judge  
Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, Judge

**SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC  
IN THE CASE OF  
THE PROSECUTOR  
v. JEAN-PIERRE BEMBA GOMBO**

**Public Document**

**Decision Designating a Single Judge for the Period of 4 to 22 September 2008**

Decision to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court* to:

**The Office of the Prosecutor**

Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor  
Petra Kneuer, Trial Lawyer

**Counsel for the Defence**

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**Legal Representatives of the Victims**

**Legal Representatives of the Applicants**

**Unrepresented Victims**

**Unrepresented Applicants for  
Participation/Reparation**

**The Office of Public Counsel for  
Victims**

**The Office of Public Counsel for the  
Defence**

**States' Representatives**

**Amicus Curiae**

**REGISTRY**

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**Registrar**  
Silvana Arbia

**Defence Support Section**

**Victims and Witnesses Unit**

**Detention Section**

**Victims Participation and Reparations  
Section**

**Other**

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER III** (“the Chamber”) of the International Criminal Court (“the Court”), seized of the situation in the Central African Republic<sup>1</sup> and the resulting case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo* considers the appropriate modalities for holding the proceedings pertaining thereto for the forthcoming period.

1. Under article 39(2)(b)(iii) of the *Rome Statute* (“the Statute”), the functions of the Pre-Trial Chamber shall be carried out either by three judges of the Pre-Trial Division or by a single judge of that division in accordance with the Statute and the *Rules of Procedure and Evidence*.
2. Under article 57(2)(b) of the Statute, in all cases other than those referred to in article 57(2)(a), a single judge of the Pre-Trial Chamber may exercise the functions provided for in the Statute, unless otherwise provided for in the *Rules of Procedure and Evidence* or by a decision to the contrary by a majority of the Pre-Trial Chamber.
3. In accordance with rule 7(1) of the *Rules of Procedure and Evidence* and regulation 47(1) of *Regulations of the Court*, the designation of a single judge is decided on the basis of objective pre-established criteria, including the circumstances of the proceedings before the Chamber, as well as the proper management and efficiency in the handling of cases.
4. The Chamber considers that in view of the abovementioned criteria and the availability of the Chamber’s judges at the seat of the Court for the forthcoming period, it is appropriate to designate Ms Fatoumata Dembele Diarra as Single

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<sup>1</sup> ICC-01/05-1.

Judge for the situation concerned and any case resulting therefrom, including the abovementioned case for the period of 4 to 22 September 2008 inclusive.

**FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER DECIDES**

- a) to designate Ms Fatomata Dembele Diarra as Single Judge of Pre-Trial Chamber III for the situation in the Central African Republic and any case resulting therefrom, including the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*, for the period of 4 to 22 September 2008 inclusive;
- b) that, subject to article 57(2)(a) of the Statute, Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra, as Single Judge, shall exercise the functions of Pre-Trial Chamber III in respect of the situation in the Central African Republic and any case resulting therefrom, including the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo*, for the period of 4 to 22 September 2008 inclusive.

Done in both English and French, the French version being authoritative.

[signed]

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**Judge Fatoumata Dembele Diarra**  
**Presiding Judge**

[signed]

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**Judge Hans-Peter Kaul**  
**Judge**

[signed]

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**Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova**  
**Judge**

Dated this 3 September 2008

At The Hague, The Netherlands