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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, Single Judge

**SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR V. WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO, HENRY
KIPRONO KOSGEY AND JOSHUA ARAP SANG**

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Decision on the "Prosecution's Application to Submit a Consolidated Response to Ruto's 'Defence Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision on the Confirmation of Charges' and Sang's 'Defence Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision on the Confirmation of Charges'"

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

The Office of the Prosecutor
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Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, acting as Single Judge on behalf of Pre-Trial Chamber II (the “Chamber”) of the International Criminal Court (the “Court”)¹ hereby renders this decision on the “Prosecution’s Application to Submit a Consolidated Response to Ruto’s ‘Defence Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision on the Confirmation of Charges’ and Sang’s ‘Defence Application for Leave to Appeal the Decision on the Confirmation of Charges’” (the “Request”).²

1. On 23 January 2012, the Chamber issued its “Decision on the Confirmation of Charges Pursuant to Article 61(7)(a) and (b) of the Rome Statute”.³
2. On 30 January 2012, the Defence of Mr. Ruto and the Defence of Mr. Sang filed their respective applications for leave to appeal the decision on the confirmation of charges (collectively, the “Defence Applications”).⁴
3. On 31 January 2012, the Prosecutor filed the Request, whereby he requested that the Chamber grants him leave to: (i) file a consolidated response to both the Defence Applications; and (ii) extend the page limit for this consolidated response from 20 pages to 40 pages total.
4. The Single Judge notes regulation 37 of the Regulations of the Court (the “Regulations”). Regulation 37(1) of the Regulations provides that “[a] document filed with the Registry shall not exceed 20 pages, unless otherwise provided in the Statute, Rules, [the] Regulations or ordered by the Chamber.” Pursuant to regulation 37(2) of the Regulations, “[t]he Chamber may, at the request of a participant, extend the page limit in exceptional circumstances”.
5. The Single Judge is of the view that the choice of whether to file a consolidated response, instead of two different responses, to the Defence Applications ultimately rests with the Prosecutor and, therefore, that no leave is necessary to this effect. With

¹ Pre-Trial Chamber II, “Decision Designating a Single Judge”, ICC-01/09-01/11-6.

² ICC-01/09-01/11-379.

³ Pre-Trial Chamber II, ICC-01/09-01/11-373.


⁴ ICC-01/09-01/11-377; ICC-01/09-01/11-376.

respect to the extension of page limit, the Single Judge considers that such request shall be granted, since, in essence, this would not add any additional pages to the Prosecutor's total response, but, as correctly pointed out in the Request, it would merely allow him "to respond in the single document with the same number of pages as [he] would use if two briefs were prepared".

FOR THESE REASONS, THE SINGLE JUDGE HEREBY

GRANTS the Prosecutor an extension of page limit from 20 to 40 pages for his consolidated response to the Defence Applications.

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



Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova
Single Judge

Dated this Wednesday, 1 February 2012

At The Hague, The Netherlands