Cour Pénale Internationale



International Criminal Court

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No. ICC-01/12-01/18

Date: 18 August 2020

TRIAL CHAMBER X

Before: Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua, Presiding Judge

Judge Tomoko Akane Judge Kimberly Prost

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF MALI

IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. AL HASSAN AG ABDOUL AZIZ AG MOHAMED AG MAHMOUD

Public

Decision adjourning the evidentiary hearings

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

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Participation/Reparations

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TRIAL CHAMBER X of the International Criminal Court, in the case of The Prosecutor v. Al Hassan Ag Abdoul Aziz Ag Mohamed Ag Mahmoud, having regard to Article 64(6)(f) of the Rome Statute, issues the following 'Decision adjourning the evidentiary hearings'.

- 1. On 6 January 2020, the Chamber set the date for the commencement of trial at 14 July 2020, with the presentation of evidence to begin on 25 August 2020, and adopted a calendar leading up to this date.¹
- On 14 July 2020, the trial against Mr Al Hassan commenced.² 2.
- On 17 August 2020, Judge Tomoko Akane informed the rest of the Chamber 3. that her father, who lives abroad, is at the end-stage of a terminal illness. She therefore requested the adjournment of the hearing scheduled to start on 25 August 2020 so she can be with her father during these final stages and to participate in his funeral.
- 4. The Chamber considers that in light of the difficult circumstances faced by Judge Akane, a two-week adjournment is necessary and inevitable.

 $^{^1}$ Decision Setting the Commencement Date of the Trial, ICC-01/12-01/18-548. 2 Transcript of hearing of 14 July 2020, ICC-01/12-01/18-T-017-CONF-ENG.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

ADJOURNS the trial until 8 September 2020.

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

Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua

Presiding Judge

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Judge Tomoko Akane

Judge Kimberly Prost

Dated this Tuesday, 18 August 2020

At The Hague, The Netherlands