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TRIAL CHAMBER V

Before: Judge Bertram Schmitt, Presiding Judge
Judge Péter Kovács
Judge Chang-ho Chung
Judge Beti Hohler, Alternate Judge

SITUATION IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC II

**IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR *v.* ALFRED YEKATOM AND PATRICE-EDOUARD
NGAISSONA**

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With Confidential Annex I and II

**Notification of the Appointment of Mr Anthony Abato
as Legal Adviser to Witness D30-4914**

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Mr Anthony Abato

I. Introduction

1. The Registry hereby informs Trial Chamber V (“Chamber”) of the appointment of Mr Anthony Abato (“Mr Abato”) as Legal Adviser to Witness D30-4914 (“Notification of Appointment”), pursuant to rule 74 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“Rules”).

II. Classification

2. Pursuant to regulation 23 *bis*(1) of the Regulations of the Court (“RoC”), the annexes to the present submission are classified as confidential, as they contain personal information and contact details of Mr Abato.

III. Applicable Law

3. The Registry has considered the following provisions: article 68 of the Rome Statute, rules 21 and 74 of the Rules, regulations 67 and 69 of the RoC, regulation 123(1) of the Regulations of the Registry, and articles 5, 8 and 22(3) of the Code of Professional Conduct for counsel (“Code”).

IV. Submissions

4. On 20 June 2024, Trial Chamber V directed the Registry to appoint a duty counsel for Witness D30-4914, after considering the request of the Ngaïssona Defence Team.¹

5. On 26 June 2024, the Registrar appointed Mr Abato as the Legal Adviser to Witness D30-4914.² Mr Abato will be duly provided with access to the relevant material in connection with the case, including the statements and transcripts of


¹ Trial Chamber V, “Decision on the Ngaïssona Defence Request for the Appointment of Duty Counsel”, 20 June 2024, ICC-01/14-01/18-2536.

² Confidential Annex I.

interviews of Witness D30-4914, *via* a secure channel in order to maintain confidentiality at all times.³

6. On 24 June 2024, Mr Abato executed the solemn undertakings required by articles 5 and 22(3) of the Code.⁴

7. The Registrar remains at the disposal of the Chamber should further information be required.



Marc Dubuisson, Director, Division of Judicial Services
on behalf of Osvaldo Zavala Giler, Registrar

Dated this 1 July 2024
At The Hague, The Netherlands

³ Trial Chamber V, “Decision on the Prosecution Request for Appointment of Duty Counsel”, 29 January 2021, ICC-01/14-01/18-857, paras. 3 - 5, *spec.* para. 4.

⁴ Confidential Annex II.