Cour Pénale Internationale

International Criminal Court

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Date: 10 January 2012

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng, Presiding Judge

Judge Sylvia Steiner Judge Cuno Tarfusser

SITUATION IN LIBYA
IN THE CASE OF
THE PROSECUTOR v.
SAIF AL-ISLAM GADDAFI and ABDULLAH AL-SENUSSI

Public Document

Decision on the request of Libya for extension of time limit to submit observations regarding the arrest of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi

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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Mr Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor Ms Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor

Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

Unrepresented Applicants for

Participation/Reparation

The Office of Public Counsel for

Victims

The Office of Public Counsel for the

Defence

Mr Xavier-Jean Keïta, Principal Counsel

Ms Melinda Taylor, Counsel

States Representatives

Competent Authorities of Libya

Amicus Curiae

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Ms Silvana Arbia

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Mr Didier Preira

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

Victims Participation and Reparations

Section

Others

Pre-Trial Chamber I of the International Criminal Court ("Chamber" and "Court" respectively),

NOTING Resolution 1970, adopted by the United Nations Security Council ("UNSC") on 26 February 2011, whereby the UNSC referred the situation in Libya since 15 February 2011 to the Prosecutor of the Court;²

NOTING the "Decision on the 'Prosecutor's Application Pursuant to Article 58 as to Muammar Mohammed Abu Minyar GADDAFI, Saif Al-Islam GADDAFI and Abdullah AL-SENUSSI'", issued by the Chamber on 27 June 2011;³

NOTING the Warrant of Arrest for Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi dated 27 June 2011;4

NOTING a letter allegedly received from the National Transitional Council, confirming the arrest of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi on 19 November 2011;⁵

NOTING the "Decision Requesting Libya to file Observations Regarding the Arrest of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi" dated 6 December 2011;⁶

NOTING the transmission on 9 January 2012, by the Registrar, of the request of Libya for an extension of the time limit to submit observations regarding the arrest of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi, wherein the Libyan authorities submit that due to the security situation in Libya, they are not able to meet the deadline and respectfully request an extension of three weeks to start running from 10 January 2012;

¹ S/RES/1970 (2011).

² Ibid., para. 4.

³ ICC-01/11-01/11-1.

⁴ ICC-01/11-01/11-3.

⁵ ICC-01/11-01/11-34-Anx.

⁶ ICC-01/11-01/11-39-Red.

⁷ ICC-01/11-01/11-41-Red.

NOTING regulations 34 and 35 of the Regulations of the Court;

CONSIDERING that given the prevailing political and security situation in Libya, good cause is shown to necessitate the extension of the time limit to submit observations;

CONSIDERING that the length of the extension requested would cause an undue delay in the proceedings and that only a shorter extension is appropriate;

FOR THESE REASONS,

GRANTS the request for an extension of time to Libya, so that its observations regarding the arrest of Saif Al-Islam Gaddafi must be filed by 16:00 on Monday, 23 January 2012.

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

Judge Sanji Mmasenono Monageng

Presiding Judge

Judge Sylvia Steiner

Judge Cuno Tarfusser

Dated this Tuesday, 10 January 2012.

At The Hague, The Netherlands