Annex 2

Procedural History

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- 1. On 27 March 2018, PTC I issued a warrant of arrest under Article 58 of the Statute for Mr Al Hassan.¹
- 2. On 30 September 2019, PTC I confirmed charges against Mr Al Hassan of crimes against humanity and war crimes, allegedly committed between 1 April 2012 and 28 January 2013 in the city of Timbuktu and the region which bears the same name.² PTC I granted, in part, the Prosecution's request to amend the charges on 23 April 2020.³
- 3. On 21 November 2019, the Presidency constituted Trial Chamber X, in its current composition, and referred to it the *Al Hassan* case.⁴
- 4. During the course of the trial proceedings, the Chamber, pursuant to Article 64(8)(b) of the Statute, issued several directions on the conduct of proceedings.⁵
- 5. Mr Al Hassan remained in custody at the ICC detention centre throughout the trial proceedings. The Defence's request for interim release was rejected on 5 May 2020.⁶ The Chamber also issued several decisions reviewing restrictions on Mr Al Hassan's contacts whilst in detention.⁷
- 6. On 19 February 2020, the Appeals Chamber rejected the Defence's appeal challenging the admissibility of the present case on the basis of the gravity requirement under Article 17(1)(d) of the Statute.⁸
- 7. On 8 July 2020, the Chamber rejected the Defence's request to adjourn the proceedings and delay the commencement of the trial.⁹

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¹ See Arrest Warrant.

² See Confirmation Decision.

³ See <u>Decision Amending the Charges</u>.

⁴ See Decision Constituting the Chamber.

⁵ For directions provided in writing, *see* <u>Directions on the Conduct of Proceedings; Second Decision on the Conduct of Proceedings; Third Decision on the Conduct of Proceedings; Fourth Decision on the Conduct of Proceedings; Sixth Decision on the Conduct of Proceedings; Seventh Decision on the Conduct of the Proceedings.</u>

⁶ See Interim Release Decision. See also Custodial Visit Decision; Al Hassan OA2 Judgment.

⁷ See Contact Restrictions Decision and previous decisions mentioned therein.

⁸ See Al Hassan OA Judgment.

⁹ See <u>Decision on Adjournment Request</u>.

- 8. The trial commenced on 14 July 2020, with the opening statements of the Prosecution and the LRVs. 10
- 9. On 24 August 2020, the Chamber rejected the Defence's request to terminate the proceedings.¹¹
- 10. On 21 May 2021, the Chamber found that Mr Al Hassan had ongoing fitness to stand trial.¹²
- 11. Between 8 and 10 February 2022, and after receiving the Chamber's leave, ¹³ the LRVs conducted its presentation of evidence.
- 12. On 11 February 2022, the Prosecution filed a formal notice on the completion of its presentation of evidence.¹⁴
- 13. On 9 May 2022, the Defence gave its opening statements¹⁵ and commenced its presentation of evidence.
- 14. On 3 February 2023, the Chamber rejected the Defence's request to defer closure of its presentation of evidence. The Defence filed a formal notice indicating the closure of its presentation of evidence on 6 February 2023. 17
- 15. On 8 February 2023, the Chamber declared the submission of evidence closed.
 An overview of the evidence submitted, including the number of witnesses and submitted evidence, is provided in the Trial Judgment.

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- 16. The Prosecution and the LRVs filed their final briefs on 9 March 2023.²⁰ The Defence filed its final brief on 17 April 2023.²¹ The parties and participants filed

¹⁰ See T-017, T-018.

¹¹ See Termination Decision.

¹² See Fitness Decision. See also Decision on Defence Unfitness Notice.

¹³ See Decision on LRVs Evidence.

¹⁴ See Prosecution Closure Notice.

¹⁵ See T-172.

¹⁶ Email dated 3 February 2023 at 18:40. Reasons for the Decision were provided on 3 March 2023. *See* Decision on Defence Request to Defer Closure of its Presentation of Evidence.

¹⁷ See Defence Closure Notice.

¹⁸ See Closure Declaration.

¹⁹ See in particular paragraphs 33 and 24 of the Trial Judgment.

²⁰ See Prosecution Final Brief; LRVs Final Brief.

²¹ See <u>Defence Final Brief</u>.

- response briefs on 2 May 2023²² and presented their closing statements between 23 and 25 May 2023.²³
- 17. On 6 December 2023, the Chamber scheduled a public hearing for 18 January 2024 for the delivery of the Trial Judgement.²⁴
- On 15 January 2024, the Chamber vacated the hearing previously scheduled.²⁵ 18.
- 19. On 15 April 2024, the Chamber re-scheduled a public hearing for 26 June 2024 for the delivery of the Trial Judgement.²⁶

 ²² See Prosecution Response Brief; <u>Defence Response Brief</u>; LRVs Response Brief.
 ²³ <u>Prosecution Closing Statement</u>, <u>T-213</u>; Defence Closing Statement, T-214; Defence Closing Statement, T-215.

²⁴ See Order Scheduling the Delivery of the Trial Judgment.

²⁵ See Order Vacating the Hearing for the Delivery of the Trial Judgment.

²⁶ See Second Order Scheduling the Delivery of the Trial Judgement.