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Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals

Case No. MICT-17-110-ES

Date: 21 September 2017

Original: English

THE PRESIDENT OF THE MECHANISM

Before: Judge Theodor Meron, President

Registrar: Mr. Olufemi Elias

Order of: 21 September 2017

PROSECUTOR

v.

CALLIXTE NZABONIMANA

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**DECLASSIFIED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH
INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED
WITHIN THIS ORDER.**

**ORDER DESIGNATING STATE IN WHICH
CALLIXTE NZABONIMANA IS TO SERVE HIS SENTENCE**

The Office of the Prosecutor

Mr. Serge Brammertz

Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana

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I, THEODOR MERON, President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (“Mechanism”);

NOTING the Judgement rendered by the Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (“ICTR”) on 29 September 2014, in the case of *Callixte Nzabonimana v. The Prosecutor*, Case No. ICTR-98-44D-A (“Appeal Judgement”), in which Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana was sentenced to life imprisonment, subject to credit being given under Rule 101(C) and 107 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the ICTR for the period already spent in detention since his arrest on 18 February 2008;¹

CONSIDERING the confidential memoranda conveyed to me by the Registry of the Mechanism (“Registry”) on 31 July 2017 and 12 September 2017 (“Memoranda”), in accordance with the terms of the Practice Direction on the Procedure for Designation of the State in Which a Convicted Person is to Serve his or her Sentence of Imprisonment;²

CONSIDERING that in the Memoranda the Registrar indicated the willingness and readiness of the Republic of Benin to enforce the sentence imposed upon Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana;³

CONSIDERING the Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the Republic of Benin on the Enforcement of Sentences Pronounced by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda or the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, entered into force on 12 May 2017;

HAVING CONSIDERED the relevant factors enumerated in the Practice Direction, including, *inter alia*, the views of the convicted person;

PURSUANT TO Article 25 of the Statute of the Mechanism, Rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Mechanism (“Rules”), and paragraphs 5 through 7 of the Practice Direction;

HEREBY DECIDE that Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana shall serve his sentence in the Republic of Benin;

INVITE the Registrar of the Mechanism (“Registrar”) to officially request the Government of the Republic of Benin to enforce the sentence of Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana and, should the

¹ Appeal Judgement, p. 169.

² MICT/2 Rev.1, 24 April 2014 (“Practice Direction”).

³ Memorandum, para. 3. *See also* Memorandum, para. 33.

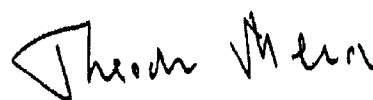
Government of the Republic of Benin accede to this request, so inform and take all necessary measures to facilitate Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana's transfer to the Republic of Benin;

ORDER, pursuant to Rule 127(C) of the Rules, that Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana shall remain in the custody of the Mechanism while awaiting his transfer to the Republic of Benin; and

INSTRUCT the Registrar to lift the confidential status of the present order once Mr. Callixte Nzabonimana's transfer to the Republic of Benin has been completed and **ORDER** that the present order shall thereupon and henceforth be considered a public filing.

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

Done this 21st day of September 2017,
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.



Judge Theodor Meron
President

[Seal of the Mechanism]





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