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Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut
Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou

SITUATION IN THE STATE OF PALESTINE

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I. Introduction

1. Pursuant to Pre-Trial Chamber I's "Decision on Information and Outreach for the Victims of the Situation" issued on 13 July 2018 ("Chamber" and "Decision of 13 July 2018", respectively),¹ the Registry hereby submits its tenth report on the progress of its activities related to information and outreach for victims and affected communities in the situation in the State of Palestine ("Situation").

II. Procedural History

2. On 13 July 2018, the Chamber issued its decision by which it, *inter alia*, ordered the Registry to: *i)* "establish, as soon as practicable, a system of public information and outreach activities for the benefit of victims and affected communities of the situation in Palestine";² *ii)* submit an initial report on its activities "at a time deemed appropriate but no later than 14 December 2018" and inform the Chamber, every three months, about the progress of its information and outreach activities and the challenges encountered;³ and *iii)* "create an informative page on the Court's website, especially directed to the victims in the situation of Palestine".⁴
3. Since 12 November 2018, the Registry files regularly its periodic reports⁵ on the progress relating to information and outreach activities for victims and affected communities in the Situation.

¹ Pre-Trial Chamber I, "Decision on Information and Outreach for the Victims of the Situation", 13 July 2018, ICC-01/18-2.

² Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10, *lit.* a) and paras. 13-18.

³ Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10 *lit.* b) and para. 19.

⁴ Decision of 13 July 2018, p. 10 *lit.* c) and para.18.

⁵ See Registry, "Registry's Initial Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 12 November 2018, ICC-01/18-3-Conf. A public redacted version dated 19 November 2018 was registered on 20 November 2019, ICC-01/18-3-Red; "Registry's Second Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", dated 12 February 2019 and registered 13 February 2019, ICC-01/18-4-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-4-Red; "Registry's Third Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 13 May 2019,

4. On 5 February 2021, the Chamber issued the Decision on the Prosecution request pursuant to article 19(3) for a ruling on the Court's territorial jurisdiction in Palestine ("Decision of 5 February 2021").⁶ The Chamber decided, by majority, that the Court's territorial jurisdiction in the Situation in Palestine, a State Party to the ICC Rome Statute, extends to the territories occupied by Israel since 1967, namely Gaza and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem.⁷

III. Classification

5. Pursuant to regulation 23*bis*(1) of the Regulations of the Court ("RoC"), this report is classified as "confidential" since it contains sensitive information [Redacted].
6. The Registry will concomitantly file a public redacted version of the present report.

ICC-01/18-5-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-5-Red; "Registry's Fourth Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 9 August 2019, ICC-01/18-6-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-6-Red; "Registry's Fifth Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", dated 14 November 2019 and registered on 15 November 2019, ICC-01/18-7; "Registry's Sixth Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 12 February 2020, ICC-01/18-20-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-20-Red; "Registry's Seventh Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 11 May 2020, ICC-01/18-132-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-132-Red; "Registry's Eighth Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 12 August 2020, ICC-01/18-141-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-141-Red; "Registry's Ninth Report on Information and Outreach Activities Concerning Victims and Affected Communities in the Situation", 12 November 2020, ICC-01/18-142-Conf. A public redacted version was filed on the same date, ICC-01/18-142-Red.

⁶ Pre-Trial Chamber I, "Decision on the 'Prosecution request pursuant to article 19(3) for a ruling on the Court's territorial jurisdiction in Palestine'", 5 February 2021, ICC-01/18-143.

⁷ See also "Judge Péter Kovács' Partly Dissenting Opinion", 5 February 2021, ICC-01/18-143-Anx1 and "Partly Separate Opinion of Judge Perrin de Brichambaut", 5 February 2021, ICC-01/18-143-Anx2.

IV. Applicable Law

7. The Registry submits the present report pursuant to the Chamber's instruction⁸ as well as the applicable law recalled by the Chamber in its Decision of 13 July 2018,⁹ and in accordance with regulations 8 and 23*bis*(1) of the RoC and regulation 6 of the Regulations of the Registry.

V. Submissions

A. Registry's activities during the reporting period (12 November 2020 – 11 February 2021)

8. During the reporting period, the activities of the Public Information and Outreach Section ("PIOS") and the Victims Participation and Reparations Section ("VPRS") remained limited, particularly due to the restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

a. Activities conducted by PIOS

9. Following the Decision of 5 February 2021, PIOS produced and disseminated to the widest possible audience a press release containing information about the decision. The press release was posted on the Court's website and distributed to the general ICC mailing list including media based in The Hague, international media, as well as other stakeholders. [Redacted], the general public was also informed about the Decision of 5 February 2021 through posts on the Court's social media channels, including Facebook, Twitter and WhatsApp. The ICC spokesperson and head of the Public Affairs Unit also gave several interviews and answered media queries coordinating closely with the Office of the Prosecutor. Translations of the press release in

⁸ Decision of 13 July 2018, para. 19 and Disposition, *lit. b*) on p. 10.

⁹ Decision of 13 July 2018, para. 6.

Arabic and Hebrew have been posted on the ICC website and shared [Redacted] on social media to reach out to the same audiences.

10. During the reporting period PIOS has increased efforts and reinforced its internal capacity to monitor closely perceptions on social media and online media reports. This has been particularly useful in the immediate aftermath of the Decision of 5 February 2021 to understand the main questions and concerns in relation to it, to tailor messages and to contribute to clarifying misconceptions and managing expectations.

b. Activities carried out by VPRS

11. Throughout the reporting period, VPRS replied to communications and queries from interlocutors who sought information about victim-related matters and relevant judicial developments in the Situation. On 8 February 2021, the VPRS sent an email to its interlocutors informing them about the Decision of 5 February 2021.

B. Subsequent activities

a. PIOS

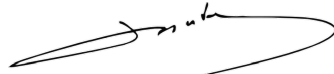
12. PIOS is currently exploring options to further publicise and explain the Decision [Redacted].
13. PIOS will continue its media monitoring activities and to translate information materials in Arabic and Hebrew and post them on the ICC website as they become available.

b. VPRS

14. VPRS will continue to disseminate specific victim-related information amongst its interlocutors and it will keep them informed about all judicial developments in the Situation. VPRS also stands ready to organize

informative sessions on various online platforms upon request from its interlocutors and others.

15. VPRS and PIOS will continue to work closely together and will carry out joint activities whenever possible and relevant.



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on behalf of Peter Lewis, Registrar

Dated this 12 February 2021

At The Hague, The Netherlands