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Before:

Hon. Judge Gberdao Gustave Kam

Registrar:

Adama Dieng

Dated:

12 October 2011

THE PROSECUTOR AUGUSTIN BIZIMANA

CASE No. ICTR-98-44F-R71bis

PROSECUTOR'S REPONSE TO DEFENCE MOTION FOR POSTPONEM OF HEARING DATE REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO FILE

Pursuant to Rules 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

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A. INTRODUCTION

- 1. The Defence in their motion dated 11October 2011 ("the Motion") requests the Trial Chamber III to postpone the hearing date for special deposition in this case from 8 November 2011 to mid -December 2011.
- 2. The Defence state that the request is to enable investigations that would give context and clarity to the factual issues raised in the Indictment in order to prepare fully for cross-examination of the prosecution witnesses¹.
- 3. The Defence also stated that the request to investigate was granted on 10^{th} October 2011; the mission will end on 15^{th} November 2011^2 .

PROSECUTOR'S SUBMISSIONS

4. The Prosecutor in principle does not contest or oppose the request made by the Defence. However, it is the Prosecutor's view that the hearings can begin on a date earlier than mid - December 2011. This view is based on the fact that the Defence will complete their investigations by 15 November 2011.

RELIEF SOUGHT

The Prosecutor respectfully prays the confirming Judge:

- a. grant the Defence request as the Chamber may deem fit,
- b. order any other reliefs.

Dated in Arusha this 12 October 2011.

Paul Ng'arua

Senior Trial Attorney

¹ Defence Request For Postponement of Hearing Date para 3

² Defence Request For Postponement of Hearing Date para 7



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