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#### THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before:

Judge Theodor Meron Judge Jean Claude Antonetti Judge Patrick Robinson Judge Alphonse Orie Judge Liu Daqun

Registrar:

Mr. John Hocking

The Prosecutor

ν.

Aloys Ntabakuze

### PROSECUTION RESPONSE TO NTABAKUZE'S MOTION FOR CONTEMPT AND TO SEEK EXECUTION OF ORDER OF 22 MARCH 2016

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#### INTRODUCTION

- Ntabakuze's "Motion for Contempt and to seek Execution of the order of 22 March 2016" is not properly before the Appeals Chamber and should be dismissed in its entirety.
- 2. In his application, Ntabakuze requests the Appeals Chamber to order the Prosecutor to disclose to him any and all statements made by members of the Muvumba battalion, including exhibit P.146 in the Ndindilyimana case. In addition, he requests that the Prosecutor be found in contempt of court, for his alleged failure to disclose exhibit P. 146 following the decision of 22 March 2016.<sup>2</sup>

#### PROSECUTOR'S SUBMISSIONS

- 3. By decision dated 22 March 2016, Judge Joseph E. Chiondo Masanche, sitting as Single Judge, dismissed Ntabakuze's Motion for Disclosure of Exculpatory Material.<sup>3</sup> The Single Judge held that Ntabakuze failed to show that the Prosecution breached his disclosure obligation with regard to the statement contained in exhibit P.146 in the Ndindilyimana case, as the statement had already been disclosed to Ntabakuze on two separate occasions during his trial proceedings.<sup>4</sup> In the interest of expediency, the Single Judge requested the Prosecution to provide Natabakuze with an additional copy of the statement.<sup>5</sup>
- 4. In addition, with regard to Ntabakuze's request for additional statements by members of the Muvumba Battalion, the Single Judge held that Ntabakuze had failed to identify any other potentially exculpatory material in the custody or under the control of the Prosecution which has not been disclosed to him in accordance with the Rules.<sup>6</sup>
- 5. Ntabakuze does not cite the rule nor provide the legal basis for his application before the Appeals Chamber. He never sought certification to appeal within seven days of the filing of the impugned decision, nor did he move the Single

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Prosecutor v. Aloys Ntabakuze, Case No. MICT-14-77-R, Ntabakuze's Motion for Contempt and to Seek Execution of Order of 22 March 2016, 10 May 2016.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid, para.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Prosecutor v. Aloys Ntabakuze, Case No. MICT-14-77-R, Decision on Ntabakuze's Motion for Disclosure of Exculpatory Material, 22 March 2016.

<sup>1</sup>bid. para. 6

<sup>5</sup> Ibid. para. 9.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid. para. 7.

Judge for the alleged contempt. The Appeals Chamber should therefore strike Ntabakuze's application as inadmissible.

6. Furthermore, another copy of the statement contained in exhibit P.146 in the Ndindiliyimana case has been disclosed to Ntabakuze through the MICT Registry. His application for a finding of contempt for non-disclosure of exhibit P.146 is therefore moot.

Dated at Arusha this 17th day of May 2016

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