SITUATION IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE IN THE CASE OF THE PROSECUTOR v. LAURENT GBAGBO

ANNEX 14

Public Document

Letter from Alassane Ouattara to the President of the ICC dated 14 December 2010

Presidency of the Republic
The President

Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

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Abidjan, 14 December 2010

NR 0039-PR-of 14/12/2010

To
The President of the
International Criminal Court
Maanweg 174, 2516 AB
The Hague
THE NETHERLANDS

Subject: Confirmation of the Declaration of Acceptance

Mr President.

On 18 April 2003, the Government of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, represented by its Minister of Foreign Affairs, formally accepted the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court.

Since 2 December 2010, following the post-crisis presidential elections held on 31 October and 28 November 2010, Côte d'Ivoire has had a new President of the Republic, whose victory was proclaimed by the Independent Electoral Commission.

The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General has certified the election results, in accordance with the political agreements intended to resolve the crisis. The entire international community, in particular the UN Security Council, the United States of America, France, the African Union, the Economic Community of West African States and the European Union, has recognised the results of this election and offered me its support.

Accordingly, in my capacity as the new President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire and pursuant to article 12(3) of the Rome Statute, which provides:

"If the acceptance of a State which is not a Party to this Statute is required under paragraph 2, that State may, by declaration lodged with the Registrar, accept the

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exercise of jurisdiction by the Court with respect to the crime in question. The accepting State shall cooperate with the Court without any delay or exception in accordance with Part 9", I have the honour of confirming the declaration of 18 April 2003.

As such, I pledge that my country, Côte d'Ivoire, will cooperate fully and without delay with the International Criminal Court, particularly as regards all of the crimes and acts of violence committed since March 2004.

Yours faithfully,

[signed]
Alassane Ouattara

Presidency of the Republic

The President

Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

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Abidjan, 14 December 2010

NR 0040 PR-of 14/12/2010

To
The Prosecutor of the
International Criminal Court
Maanweg 174, 2516 AB
The Hague
THE NETHERLANDS

Subject: Confirmation of the Declaration of Acceptance

Mr Prosecutor,

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[signed] **Alassane Ouattara**

Presidency of the Republic

Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

The President

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Abidjan, 14 December 2010

NR 0041-PR of 14/12/2010

To The Registrar of the International Criminal Court Maanweg 174, 2516 AB The Hague THE NETHERLANDS

Subject: Confirmation of the Declaration of Acceptance

Mr Chief Registrar,

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