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PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before: Judge Iulia Antoanella Motoc, Presiding

Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-Gansou

Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera

SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES IN THE CASE OF *THE PROSECUTOR* ν . RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

Public

Decision convening a hearing for the first appearance of Mr Rodrigo Roa Duterte

Decision to be notified in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations of the Court to:	
☑ The Office of the Prosecutor	⊠ Counsel for the Defence
☐ Legal Representatives of the Victims	☐ Legal Representatives of the Applicants
☐ Unrepresented Victims	☐ Unrepresented Applicants (Participation/Reparation)
☐ The Office of Public Counsel for Victims	☐ The Office of Public Counsel for the Defence
☐ States' Representatives	☐ Amicus Curiae
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Registrar Mr Osvaldo Zavala Giler	☐ Counsel Support Section
☐ Victims and Witnesses Unit	☐ Detention Section
☐ Victims Participation and Reparations Section	□ Other

PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER I of the International Criminal Court issues this 'Decision convening a hearing for the first appearance of Mr Rodrigo Roa Duterte' ('Mr Duterte').

- 1. On 15 September 2021, the Chamber, in a previous composition, authorised the commencement of an investigation into the Situation in the Philippines (the 'Philippines') in relation to crimes within the jurisdiction of the Court.¹
- 2. On 24 June 2022, following a deferral request from the Philippines,² and a temporary suspension of the investigative activities,³ the Prosecution requested the Chamber to authorise the resumption of the investigation into the Philippines Situation.⁴
- 3. On 26 January 2023, the Chamber authorised the Prosecutor to resume the investigation into the Philippines Situation.⁵ On 18 July 2023, the Appeals Chamber confirmed this decision.⁶
- 4. On 10 February 2025, the Prosecution filed an application for a warrant of arrest for Mr Duterte pursuant to article 58(7) of the Rome Statute (the 'Statute').⁷
- 5. On 7 March 2025, the Chamber issued a warrant of arrest for Mr Duterte (the 'Warrant of Arrest').⁸
- 6. On 12 March 2025, Mr Duterte was surrendered to the Court.
- 7. The Chamber notes articles 60(1) and 67 of the Statute, rule 121(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the 'Rules') and regulations 20(1) and 21 of the Regulations of the Court (the 'Regulations').
- 8. According to article 60(1) of the Statute and rule 121(1) of the Rules, a person subject to a warrant of arrest under article 58 of the Statute 'shall appear before the Pre-Trial Chamber' and be informed of (i) the crimes he is alleged to have committed; (ii) his rights

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¹ Decision on the Prosecutor's request for authorisation of an investigation pursuant to Article 15(3) of the Statute, ICC-01/21-12.

².Annex A to the Notification of the Republic of the Philippines' deferral request under article 18(2), ICC-01/21-14-AnxA.

³ Notification of the Republic of the Philippines' deferral request under article 18(2), ICC-01/21-14.

⁴ Prosecution's request to resume the investigation into the situation in the Philippines pursuant to article 18(2), ICC-01/21-46.

⁵ Authorisation pursuant to article 18(2) of the Statute to resume the investigation, ICC-01-21-56-Red.

⁶ Judgment on the appeal of the Republic of the Philippines against Pre-Trial Chamber I's "Authorisation pursuant to article 18(2) of the Statute to resume the investigation", ICC-01/21-77.

⁷ ICC-01/21-80-US-Exp (public redacted version notified on 13 March 2025, ICC-01/21-80-Red).

⁸ ICC-01/21-83.

under the Statute; and (iii) the date for a hearing to confirm or to decline to confirm the charges.

- 9. The Chamber considers it appropriate for the first appearance of Mr Duterte to take place on Friday, 14 March 2025 at 14:00 hours. The public hearing will be broadcasted with a thirty-minute delay in order to protect any potential sensitive information, in accordance with regulation 21(2) of the Regulations.
- 10. Taking note of regulation 21(1) of the Regulations, pursuant to which the publicity of hearings may extend beyond the courtroom, the Chamber authorises video recordings and the taking of photographs in the courtroom at the start of the initial appearance hearing.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE CHAMBER HEREBY

DECIDES to convene the hearing for the first appearance of Mr Duterte on Friday, 14 March 2025, at 14:00 hours; and

AUTHORISES the Registrar to inform external applicants that, at the start of the initial appearance hearing and after all the parties and representatives of the Registry have taken their seats, video recording and the taking of photographs is permitted.

Done in English. A French translation will follow. The English version remains authoritative.

Judge Iulia Antoanella Motoc, Presiding

Judge Reine Adélaïde Sophie Alapini-

Judge María del Socorro Flores Liera

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Dated this Thursday, 13 March 2025

At The Hague, The Netherlands

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