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Rwanda & DRC Prosecutor Generals meet ICTR Prosecutor in Kigali



I-r: Flory Kabange Numbi , Hassan Bubacar Jallow & Martin Ngoga

ICTR Prosecutor, Hassan Bubacar Jallow met the DRC Prosecutor General, Flory Kabange Numbi and Mr. Martin Ngoga, Rwanda Prosecutor General in Kigali on Saturday 23 January 2010.

They discussed about ways and means of cooperating in the tracking and apprehension of the remaining fugitives, some of whom are still in hiding in the DRC. The DRC Prosecutor General reaffirmed the commitment of his government to assist in this endeavour. Four accused persons have so far been arrested in the DRC.

ICTR Launches New Website

The Registrar of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) Mr. Adama Dieng on 21 January 2010 launched the new Web site of the Tribunal. "The website is a vital

extension of the ICTR, and represents a unique platform from which ICTR can state its mission and objectives, and showcase its accomplishments in the important pursuit of the fight against impunity", said the Registrar, when opening the new site.

The new ICTR website is geared at meeting head-on the challenges relating to effective information

dissemination, facilitating the completion of the Tribunal's work, and establishing an information platform for the legacy of the Tribunal.

The website has been revamped in order to keep pace with the latest technical developments in the area of Information Technology and Information Processing.

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UNOCI Chief Meets the Registrar of the ICTR

The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Côte d'Ivoire, Y. J. Choi, held discussions on Wednesday 6 January 2010 with the Registrar of the ICTR, Mr. Adama Dieng. The meeting was held at the headquarters of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI).



At the end of the meeting, Mr. Dieng said that his courtesy call on the head of UNOCI was to encourage him in his mission, which was not easy but which he was carrying out with success.

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2009 Judicial Achievements

- Nine new trials commenced (plus one guilty plea)
- Two new arrests
- Evidence phase in 6 trials completed (including one re-trial) (involving 18 accused)
- Six first instance (including one guilty plea and one contempt of court) and 2 appeals judgements

ICTR Judicial Activities

Work of the Trial Chambers and the Appeals Chamber between 1 December 2009 and 25 January 2010

1. Trial Chamber I

Cases where closing arguments are awaited

Munyakazi

The Trial Chamber received the closing briefs of the parties. Oral closing arguments will be heard on 28 and 29 January 2010)

Cases where judgement delivery is awaited

Setako

Deliberations in this case are ongoing. The Chamber will announce the date of judgement in due course.

Cases where judgement has been recently delivered

Nsengimana:

Following its oral judgement of 17 November 2009, the Chamber completed the editorial process of the written judgement on 18 January 2010.

2. Trial Chamber II

Ongoing Trials

Kanyarukiga

The trial in this case commenced on 31 August 2009. After calling eleven witnesses over fourteen trial days, the Prosecution closed its case on 17 September 2009.

The Pre-Defence Brief was filed on 18 December 2009.

The Defence case commenced on 18 January 2010 and is scheduled to run until 12 February 2010. The Chamber has so far heard 5 Defence witnesses. During the period between December 2009 and January 2010, the Chamber has issued four written and five oral decisions, including on a Defence Motion for a stay of proceedings and on a Motion for Exclusion of evidence.

Ngirabatware

The case commenced on 23 September 2009 and adjourned on 22 October 2009 due to Judge Bossa and Judge Rajohnson sitting on the bench for the *Nzabonimana* trial. Proceedings resumed on 25 January 2010 for seven weeks in order to conclude the hearing of the Prosecution's case.

The Chamber filed three decisions in December and there are currently five pending motions, which should be decided shortly.

Cases awaiting closing arguments

Hategekimana

The trial of Ildephonse Hategekimana closed on 6 October 2009. On 19 October 2009, the Trial Chamber instructed both Parties to file their closing briefs no later than 15 January 2010 and to present their closing arguments on 25 February 2010.

On 6 January 2010, the Defence filed a Motion in which it requested the Chamber to extend the filing date for the Defence closing brief and to extend the length of the brief.

On 11 January 2010, the Prosecution submitted that all measures granted to the Defence should likewise be accorded to the Prosecution.

Having considered the Parties' submissions, the Chamber ordered both Parties to file their closing briefs no later than 1 February 2010 and to hear the Parties' closing arguments on 8 April 2010.

Trials in Judgement Drafting Phase

Nyiramasuhuko et al. ("Butare")

The Chamber is involved in deliberations and judgement drafting.

Nidiliyimana et al. ("Military II")

Judgement drafting is in progress.

Bizimungu et al.

Judgement drafting in the case is ongoing.

3. Trial Chamber III

Ongoing trials

Karemera et al.:

During the considered period, the Chamber rendered 19 decisions. On 18 January 2010, the trial resumed with the continuation of the presentation of Joseph Nzirorera's case. During the previous session, the Chamber had been sitting half days, four days a week, only to take into account the adverse health condition of Matthieu Ndirumpatse. On 18 January 2010, following several new medical reports, the Chamber decided to extend sitting hours by additional 1 hour and 30 min in the afternoon.

Gatete

The Prosecution closed its case on 16 November 2009 after calling 22 witnesses over 12 trial days. The Defence case is scheduled to commence on 1 March



2010, and the Pre-Defence Brief is expected to be filed by 29 January 2010.

In December 2009 the Trial Chamber rendered decisions on one Prosecution motion and two Defence motions, including one denying certification to appeal a prior decision. In January 2009 it rendered another decision denying a Defence request for certification to appeal. The Chamber is currently deliberating on one pending Defence motion.

Ntawukulilyayo

The Defence case resumed on 8 December 2009. It concluded on 17 December 2009 after hearing a total of 23 witnesses over 21 trial days. During December 2009, the Chamber issued: (i) an oral decision regarding the qualification of a proposed expert witness, (ii) a written decision on the relevance of other proposed expert evidence, and (iii) a scheduling order for the filing of closing briefs by 25 February 2010 and the hearing of closing arguments on 12 and 13 April 2010. The Trial Chamber has also started judgment drafting preparations.

Nzabonimana

The Prosecution case, which had commenced on 9 November 2009, continued. The Trial Chamber heard six prosecution witnesses and issued five written decisions. Judge Rajohnson also took the deposition of one defence witness in Kigali.

Trials in Judgement Drafting Phase

Muvunyi (re-trial)

Judgement drafting is ongoing. Judgement delivery is expected for mid-February.

Trial to commence in 2010

Ndahimana:

The case is at pre-trial stage. In December 2009, the Prosecution filed a motion for leave to amend the indictment. The Chamber is currently deliberating on the matter.

Nizeyimana:

The Chamber is attending pre-trial work. John Philpot has been appointed as lead counsel in December 2009.

Appeals Chamber

The Appeals Chamber is seized of thirteen matters, including eight cases involving appeals from judgement.

In the *Bikindi* case, where the notices of appeal were filed on 31 December 2008, the case was heard on 30 September 2009 in Arusha and deliberations are in progress.

In the *Nchamihigo* case, the appellant filed his notice of appeal on 6 March 2009. The case was heard on 29 September 2009 in Arusha and deliberations are in progress.

In connection with the *Bagosora et al.* Trial Judgement pronounced on 18 December 2008 and issued in writing on 9 February 2009, the Appeals Chamber decided that Theoneste Bagosora's notice of appeal is to be filed no later than 30 days from the date of the filing of the French translation of the Trial Judgement. The French translation of the Trial Judgement was filed on 9 December 2009 and Bagosora filed his notice of appeal on 8 January 2010. Aloys Ntabakuze and Anatole Nsengiumva filed their notices of appeal in March 2009. The briefing in respect of Aloys Ntabakuze's appeal is completed.

In the *Rukundo* case, in which the Trial Judgement was rendered on 27 February 2009 and issued in writing on 13 March 2009, the prosecution filed its notice of appeal on 14 April 2009 and, following an extension of time pending receipt of the French translation of the Trial Judgement, Emmanuel Rukundo filed his notice of appeal on 6 November 2009. The briefing in respect of the prosecution's appeal is completed.

In the *Kalimanzira* case, in which the Trial Judgement was rendered on 22 June 2009, both Callixte Kalimanzira and the prosecution filed notices of appeal. Callixte Kalimanzira received an extension of time to file his appeal brief within 75 days of the filing of the French translation of the Trial Judgement which was filed on 16 November 2009.

The Trial Judgement in the *Nshogoza* case was rendered on 2 July 2009. Leonidas Nshogoza appealed his contempt conviction and the briefing was completed on 24 August 2009. Deliberations on this matter are proceeding.

In the *Renzaho* case, in which the Trial Judgement was rendered on 14 July 2009, Tharcisse Renzaho filed his notice of appeal on 2 October 2009 and was granted an extension of time to file his appeal brief within 40 days of the service of the French translation of the Trial Judgement (21 January 2010).

In addition to these appeals, the Appeals Chamber is seized of three interlocutory appeals in the *Karera et al.*, *Kanyarukiga*, and *Nzabonimana* cases as well as of a fifth request for review from Eliezer Niyitegeka and a post-appeal request in the *Kamuhanda* case.

In the period of December 2009 through January 2010, the Appeals Chamber rendered 2 decisions on interlocutory appeals and issued 11 preliminary decisions or orders.

In 2009, the Appeals Chamber rendered two Judgements, in the *Karera* and *Zigiranyirazo* cases, 15 decisions on interlocutory appeals, 14 decisions concerning post-appeal matters, including review, and 140 preliminary decisions or orders.

To date, the Appeals Chamber has delivered 22 Appeal Judgements, concluding the appellate proceedings in respect of 28 persons.



Decisions of the ICTR from 1 December 2009 to 25 January 2010

Date	Record	Title	TC
01/12/2009	ICTR-02-78-0248	KANYARUKIGA - RESPONDENT'S RESPONSE TO APPEAL OF THE 30 OCTOBER 2009 TC II'S DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR DISCLOSURE AND RETURN OF EXCULPATORY DOCUMENTS SEISED FROM THE APPELLANT	TC 2
02/12/2009	ICTR-99-54-0253	NGIRABATWARE - DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE CHAMBER'S ORAL RULINGS OF 29 AND 30 SEPTEMBER 2009	TC 2
02/12/2009	ICTR-97-36A-0135	MUNYAKAZI - DECISION ON DEFENCE EXTREMELY URGENT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT TO FILE ITS CLOSING BRIEF	TC 1
02/12/2009	ICTR-98-44D-0136	NZABONIMANA - DECISION ON THE DEFENCE MOTION REQUESTING THE CHAMBER TO ALLOW NZABONIMANA TO PRESENT SUBMISSIONS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE ICTR AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE MATTER OF FRANCE'S REFUSAL TO COOPERATE WITH THE ICTR AND CLARIFY THE DECISION...	TC 3
02/12/2009	ICTR-01-69-0164	NSENGIMANA - PROSECUTOR'S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL	AC
04/12/2009	ICTR-99-54-0255	NGIRABATWARE - DECISION ON DEFENCE URGENT MOTION REQUESTING AN ORDER DIRECTED TO FRANCE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 28 OF THE STATUTE	TC 2
04/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4214	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION CONSOLIDEE SUITE AUX ECRITURES DE MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE DU 25 SEPTEMBRE 2009 ET A SA REQUETE DU 10 NOVEMBRE 2009	TC 3
04/12/2009	ICTR-05-82-0104	NTAWUKULILYAYO - REPONSE DE LA DEFENSE A LA SUITE DE LA DECISION DE LA CHAMBRE DU 27 NOVEMBRE 2009 ORDONNANT A LA DEFENSE DE DEPOSER TOUT DOCUMENT SUPPLEMENTAIRE RELATIF A LA QUALIFICATION ET A L'EXPERIENCE DE CHARLES NTAMPAKA	TC 3
04/12/2009	ICTR-99-54-0254	NGIRABATWARE - DECISION ON DEFENCE URGENT MOTION FOR AN ORDER DIRECTED AT THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 28 OF THE STATUTE	TC 2
07/12/2009	ICTR-00-61-0157	GATETE - PROSECUTOR'S RESPONSE TO DEFENCE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION TO APPEAL DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE	TC 1
07/12/2009	ICTR-98-44D-0144	NZABONIMANA - DECISION ON THE STATUS OF PROSECUTION WITNESS CNAO AND ASSOCIATED PROTECTIVE MEASURE	TC 3
07/12/2009	ICTR-02-78-0249	GASPARD KANYARUKIGA - 091207-02-78-AR 73 REPLY TO RESPONDENT'S RESPONSE TO APPEAL OF THE 30 OCTOBER 2009 TC II'S DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR DISCLOSURE	TC 2
08/12/2009	ICTR-00-61-0158	091208-00-61-T - GATETE - DECISION ON DEFENCE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION TO APPEAL THE CHAMBER'S DECISION OF 3 NOVEMBER 2009	TC 3
08/12/2009	ICTR-02-78-0250	GASPARD KANYARUKIGA - CORRIGENDUM TO REPLY TO RESPONDENT'S RESPONSE TO APPEAL OF THE 30 OCTOBER 2009 TC II DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR DISCLOSURE AND RETURN OF EXCULPATORY DOCUMENTS SEISED FROM THE ACCUSED	TC 2
08/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4218	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE'S APPEAL AGAINST DECISION ON REMAND ON PROVISIONAL RELEASE	AC
10/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4219	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION SUR LA REQUETE DE JOSEPH NZIRORERA AUX FINS D'OBTENIR LA COOPERATION DU ROYAUME DE BELGIQUE	TC 3
11/12/2009	ICTR-01-69-0169	NSENGIMANA - DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL	AC
11/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4220	KAREMERA ET AL - REQUETE DE MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE EN CERTIFICATION D'APPEL DE LA DECISION CONSOLIDEE DU 4 DECEMBRE 2009 SIUTE AUX ECRITURES DE MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE DU 25 SEPTEMBER 2009 ET A SA REQUETE DU 10, NOVEMBRE 2009	TC 3



Date	Record	Title	TC
15/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4227	KAREMERA ET AL - PROSECUTOR'S RESPONSE TO NGIRUMPATSE'S APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION TO APPEAL: DECISION CONSOLIDEE SUITE AUX ECRITURES DE MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE DU 25 SEPTEMBRE 2009 ET DE SA REQUETE DU 10 NOVEMBRE 2009	TC 3
15/12/2009	ICTR-00-61-0160	GATETE - DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION TO ADMIT MF13 INTO EVIDENCE PURSUANT TO RULE 89 (C) OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE	TC 3
15/12/2009	ICTR-98-44D-0147	NZABONIMANA - DECISION ON THE PROSECUTION'S URGENT MOTION ALLEGING CONTEMPT OF THE TRIBUNAL (Rule 77 (c) of R.P.E.)	TC 3
16/12/2009	ICTR-05-82-0105	NTAWUKULILYAYO - DECISION ON THE DEFENCE REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE CHAMBER'S DECISION REJECTING JOSEPH UFITEYEZU AS AN EXPERT WITNESS	TC 3
17/12/2009	ICTR-98-44D-0151	NZABONIMANA - DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION TO RECALL WITNESS CNAL	TC 3
17/12/2009	ICTR-98-44D-0150	NZABONIMANA - DECISION ON NZABONIMANA'S 2ND MOTION FOR DISCLOSURE OF EVIDENCE, FOR RENEWED AUTHORIZATION TO INTERVIEW CERTAIN PROSECUTION WITNESSES AND FOR POSTPONEMENT OF THE TESTIMONY OF WITNESSES CNAAC AND CNAX	TC 3
18/12/2009	ICTR-04-81-0226	SETAKO - DECISION ON WITHDRAWAL OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF CAINNECH LUSSIAA BERDOU CO-COUNSEL FOR THE ACCUSED EPHREM SETAKO	TC 1
18/12/2009	ICTR-00-61-0161	GATETE - DECISION ON PROSECUTION MOTION FOR THE DISCLOSURE OF THE PARTICULARS OF THE ACCUSED'S ALIBI	TC 3
21/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4229	KAREMERA ET AL - REPLIQUE DE MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE A LA REPONSE DU PROCUREUR SUITE A SA DEMANDE DE CERTIFICATION D'APPEL DE LA DECISION CONSOLIDEE DU 4 DECEMBRE 2009	TC 3
22/12/2009	ICTR-98-44-4230	KAREMERA ET AL - REPLIQUE DE EDOUARD KAREMERA A LA "PROSECUTOR'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF TC III DECISION OF 11 NOVEMBER 2009 NOT TO ADMIT INTO EVIDENCE IP 048"	TC 3
07/01/2010	ICTR-98-44-4242	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON VOIR DIRE OF KIM HUGHES	TC 3
07/01/2010	ICTR-02-78-0261	KANYARUKIGA - DECISION ON THE PROSECUTION MOTION FOR DISCLOSURE OF DEFENCE WITNESS PARTICULARS	TC 2
07/01/2010	ICTR-02-78-0262	KANYARUKIGA - DECISION ON THE EXTREMELY URGENT DEFENCE MOTION FOR AN ORDER FOR THE TRANSFER DETAINED WITNESS KG44	TC 2
11/01/2010	ICTR-98-41-2396	[MILITARY I] - BAGOSORA ET AL - DECISION ON ANATOLE NSENGIYUMVA'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING HIS APPEAL BRIEF	AC
12/01/2010	ICTR-98-44-4247	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON JOSEPH NZIRORERA'S MOTION FOR VIDEO-LINK: ALPHONSE NTILIVAMUNDA	TC 3
12/01/2010	ICTR-98-44-4250	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON JOSEPH NZIRORERA'S MOTION TO SUBPOENA MICHEL BAGARAGAZA FOR AN INTERVIEW	TC 3
13/01/2010	ICTR-00-55B-0182	HATEGEKIMANA - DECISION REGARDING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE CLOSING BRIEFS AND TO PRESENT CLOSING URGUMENTS	TC 2
13/01/2010	ICTR-02-78-0267	KANYARUKIGA - DECISION ON THE EXTREMELY URGENT DEFENCE MOTION FOR WITNESS KG15 TO TESTIFY BY MEANS OF VIDEO-LINK (Rule 54 RPE)	TC 2
14/01/2010	ICTR-98-44-4257	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON MATTHIEU NGIRUMPATSE'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE SUBMISSIONS PURSUANT TO THE SCHEDULING ORDER OF 12 JANUARY 2010	TC 3
15/01/2010	ICTR-02-78-0268	KANYARUKIGA - DECISION ON A DEFENCE MOTION FOR A STAY OF THE PROCEEDINGS OR EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE INDICTMENT	TC 2
19/01/2010	ICTR-98-41-2402	NSENGIYUMVA - DECISION ON ALOYS NTABAKUZE'S MOTION FOR SCHEDULING OF THE APPEAL HEARING	AC
20/01/2010	ICTR-98-44-4261	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION REGARDING TRANSLATION OF EXHIBITS	TC 3
21/01/2010	ICTR-00-61-0163	GATETE - DECISION ON DEFENCE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION TO APPEAL DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE. Rule 73(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence	TC 3



First Phase of the Youth Sensitization Project Commences

The Tribunal in November 2009 began implementation of the first phase of an ambitious program for the Youth of the five East African countries - Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda. The program: **Youth Sensitizing Project** is financed by the German Government and aims at sensitizing the youth in the region on the Role of the Tribunal in Promoting International Justice.

Under the project which will put the youth in the center of the communication policy, the Tribunal is organising an Essay and Drawing Competition for students aged between 8 - 18 years in the five countries. The essays and drawings will basically consist of answers to basic questions such as; what is International Justice; what is the Contribution of the Tribunal to National Reconciliation; and How Does the Tribunal fight Impunity.

Implementation of the project began with missions of various ICTR senior staff visiting the capitals of the five countries to lay the groundwork before the official launching of the project.

The missions which took place in the first half of November involved visits to Dar es Salaam, Nairobi, Kampala, Bujumbura and Kigali where the delegation held introductory meetings and sessions with officials from the UN Resident Coordinator's Offices; the German Embassies; Goethe Institutes, the Ministries of National Education and local media.

All officials from these institutions expressed their total support to the Project and promised to assist in ensuring that it was successfully implemented and attained fully its intended goals.

It is planned that the Project will be launched officially at special ceremonies in the five cities in February and March 2010. The ceremonies will also involve the holding of special exhibitions, briefing sessions and media events apart from inviting senior Government and UN officials to grace them.

The Project is part of the Tribunal's Legacy programme and consists of two parts: the competition and the publication of a cartoon book on the causes of the 1994 genocide. The Communication Cluster is involved in raising awareness of the youth in the region in the global fight against the Culture of Impunity, following the tragic events which led to genocide in Rwanda in 1994.

Legal Writing Workshops held at the ICTR

The ICTR Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Committee hosted a series of legal writing training sessions conducted by Professor James Raymond from 18-22 January 2010. More than fifty lawyers from the Prosecution, the Defence, and the Chambers attended the opening session on Monday morning, 18

January 2010, where Professor Raymond conducted an interactive presentation entitled "Structure Before Style." During the Monday afternoon session, "Formulating the Deliberations Part of Factual Findings," Professor Raymond engaged President Byron and Judge Johansen as well as several Chambers' legal officers in a dynamic discussion about the analysis and drafting of factual findings in ICTR judgements. That evening the participants gathered to listen to soul music, performed by Professor Raymond on the clarinet and an international group of musicians.



Professor James Raymond

From Tuesday through Friday, 19 – 22 January, Professor Raymond held small meetings with legal staff concerning the drafting of judgements and briefs.

For information about upcoming ICTR legal education activities, please contact any of the following members of the CLE; Suzanne Chenault, Chair; Judge Lee Muthoga, Advisor; Chile Eboe-Osuji, Advisor; Emma Wanchap, Member; Hillary Forden, Member; Amy Wood, Member.

Newly Appointed US Ambassador Visits the Tribunal

In December 2009, President Barack Obama appointed the Hon. Alfonso E. Lenhardt as his Ambassador-designate to the United Republic of Tanzania. After retiring from the US army in 1997 as a Major General, Ambassador Lenhardt was the President and CEO of the non-profit National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC). On 4 September 2001, he was appointed the 36th Sergeant-at-Arms of the United States Senate and became the first African-American to serve as an officer of the Congress.



Hon. Alfonso E. Lenhardt

On 20 January 2010, H.E. Alfonso Lenhardt came to visit the Tribunal for the purpose of introducing himself to the three principals of the ICTR - the President, the Prosecutor and the Registrar - and seeing first-hand the Tribunal's work, accomplishments and challenges. The Ambassador-designate was given a briefing on the activities of the Tribunal by the ICTR Spokesperson and the contribution and support of the United States to the work of the Tribunal were commended. "The Rule of law is important to us, said the Ambassador, we must ensure that justice is done.



Our entire system is built on that foundation. I am aware of the 11 people still at large. We will continue to put pressure and assist wherever possible for their arrest'.

H.E. Lenhardt concluded his visit with the attendance of a court session in the Karemera et al. case, in which President Dennis Byron is the Presiding Judge.

ICTR Launches New Website

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This refurbishment has modified the website to include, amongst others:

- An information portal for the ICTR, with a higher information capacity and capability to disseminate more information
- A lay out format that is visually appealing
- An enhanced capability to search and retrieve valuable information
- An improved navigation capability
- An overall presentation of the ICTR with a more professional image

The original website will run concurrently with the new one for a transitory period of three months.

UNOCI Chief Meets ICTR Registrar

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"The work being done by the Special Representative should be welcomed by all Ivorians and Africans because it contributes to the reinforcement of peace and unity, the consolidation of democracy and respect for human rights and human dignity," said the Registrar.

Mr. Dieng also expressed the hope that Côte d'Ivoire "will reconcile with itself and together all its children will rebuild the country so that it can once again take its place as a leader" in West Africa. "This is possible if everyone learns ... to have as their sole focus the defence of the interest of the Ivorian people," he added.

Mr. Dieng, who was on a four-day official mission in Côte d'Ivoire, took part in a ceremony to mark the start of courses at the Human Rights Institute of Atlantic University, where he gave an augural lesson on 7 January 2010.

Appeal for Support of Humanitarian Relief Efforts in Haiti

The ICTR community expresses its condolences and wishes to show its solidarity to those deeply affected by the devastating earthquake, which occurred in Haiti on 12 January 2010. Because of the magnitude of the disaster, international support and donations are vital to saving lives and alleviating suffering.

The Fundraising Committee for Haiti, a recent ICTR initiative, enables staff members to contribute immediately to the critical relief efforts in Haiti. The Committee appeals to staff members for financial donations to support UNICEF in assisting the most



*In this image provided by the UN, a young Haitian girl sleeps with her mother and brother after receiving treatment at an ad hoc medical clinic at UN Stabilization Mission In Haiti's (MINUSTAH) logistics base on January 13, 2010 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.
(Photo by Logan Abassi/ MINUSTAH via Getty Images)*

vulnerable victims' urgent needs, including the distribution of food, water, and medicine

Donations may be made directly from a staff member's payroll by completing a deduction form, which has been sent via email and which is also available from leave monitors in respective sections. Cash donations can be directed to the Finance Section where a receipt will be issued.

The Fundraising Committee for Haiti is grateful for your concerns and for your generosity in assisting the survivors of the massive earthquake in Haiti.



*An old woman sits in the rubble
(Photo by Daniel Morel/Getty Images)*

For additional information, please contact any of the Committee members below.

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