

13th Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Trust Fund for Victims

The Hague, 21-22 July

List of decisions

The Board expressed its appreciation for the hard work achieved by the TFV Secretariat from March through to July in developing the Lubanga's reparations Draft Implementation Plan. The Board noted the operational and administrative challenges that the Secretariat and its leadership faced in the past months and will continue to face in arriving at a final draft for its consideration. The Board supported the analysis presented by the Secretariat regarding the Appeals Chamber's requested deliverables in the Draft Implementation Plan which include those that can be achieved in whole or in part and those which cannot.

1. *The Board decided to submit to the Trial Chamber a request for a two months extension of the submission deadline of the Draft Implementation Plan for reparations in the Lubanga case.*

The extension request will include an overview of progress made to-date, with reference to the community consultations in Ituri, the Victims Participation and Reparations Section's victims' mapping exercise and the outcomes of an expert meeting in Belfast in May, as well as reference to the pending responses to requests for information from external parties, including the DRC Government, the United Nations and the Office of the Prosecutor, and operational and administrative challenges.

Due to the late delivery of the draft ReVision report on the day prior to the start of this meeting, an informed discussion of and decision making on the report's findings and recommendations, including on the issue of the future structure of the TFV Secretariat and its budgetary implications, was rendered impossible.

2. *The Board decided to invite both the Secretariat and the Registrar to submit their comments on the draft ReVision report on the TFV soonest, so as to allow the Board's review and decision making process to be completed as soon as possible, and in any case on time to submit a budget corrigendum to the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF) ahead of their upcoming session in September 2015.*
3. *Having noted with satisfaction the findings and recommendations of the audit report of the Office of the Internal Auditor on the TFV's internal control environment (delivered in July 2015), the Board decided upon suggestion of the Secretariat to make (a redacted version of) the report available to States Parties subject to the consent of the OIA.*

4. *The Board received a programme status update and approved the revised Annual Work Plan 2015 of the TFV Secretariat.*
5. *The Board requested the Executive Director to provide a short reply on their behalf to the queries of the Kenyan Civil Society alliance regarding the commencement of TFV activities under its assistance mandate in Kenya.*
6. *The Board decided that the list of decisions of this meeting would not be made public until after the extension request to the Trial Chamber has been submitted.*