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អង្គជំនុំជម្រះតុលាការកំពូល Supreme Court Chamber Chambre de la Cour Suprême ព្រះរា**ខាណា**ទត្រូតទុទ្ធ ខា ខាតិ សាសនា ត្រូះទមារត្សត្រូ

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Dear Counsel,

I take note of your letter dated 6 May 2016 (F33), expressing concern about information contained in the latest revision of the ECCC's completion plan, which projects a final judgment on the pending appeals in Case 002/01 for the third as opposed to the second quarter of 2016, and urging the Supreme Court Chamber to issue its judgment on the appeals without delay.

The ECCC's completion plan is elaborated by the Office of Administration in the context of General Assembly Resolution A/RES/68/247B. While the information in the completion plan is compiled in consultation with the respective Chambers and Offices of the ECCC, it remains an administrative document that is primarily meant to facilitate planning and the budgeting process. The assumptions and projections contained therein are based on the available information and are subject to change.

The completion plan is not a means by which the Supreme Court Chamber communicates with the parties to the pending appeals proceedings. Rather, as indicated at the close of the appeal hearing on 18 February 2016, once the deliberations on the appeals have been concluded, a scheduling order will be issued, informing all parties of the date of the delivery of the judgment. This date has not been set yet and any speculation as to when the judgment will be delivered is gratuitous. You can, however, rest assured that the Supreme Court Chamber is conducting its deliberations without undue delay.

As a final point, I note that the filings in the present proceedings are closed and that there was therefore no procedural basis for your letter, which is therefore considered to not have been properly filed. The Supreme Court Chamber will not entertain any similar filings in the future.

Sincerely,

KONG Srim President of the Supreme Court Chamber

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