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International Residual Mechanism  
for Criminal Tribunals

Case no.: MICT-22-126-ES.1  
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**BEFORE THE PRESIDENT OF THE MECHANISM**

**Before:** **Judge Graciela Gatti Santana**

**Registrar:** **Mr Abubacarr M. Tambadou**

**Date of filing:** **3 February 2026**

**PROSECUTOR**

**v.**

**GASPARD KANYARUKIGA**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY FILING IN SUPPORT OF  
THE APPLICATION FOR EARLY RELEASE**

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## INTRODUCTION

1. The present supplementary filing is hereby submitted pursuant to the President's Order of 29 January 2026 wherein she ordered the applicant to provide further information regarding his planned residence if released early.
2. Since at this stage, Mr Kanyarukiga does not have an immediate or actual right to reside in the Kingdom of Belgium, where his son is resident, it has been indicated that if released early, he will reside in the Republic of Benin in a legally secure environment.
3. Furthermore, it has been made clear that specific arrangements can be made to ensure Mr Kanyarukiga's residence and accommodation in Benin. The documents attached to this filing attest to this possibility.
4. The planned residence in the Republic of Benin is temporary pending the outcome of subsequent proceedings which may, in due course, allow for the consideration of another residence option.
5. During this period, Mr Kanyarukiga will comply with any condition, surveillance measures, or arrangement that the Mechanism or the competent authorities of the Republic of Benin deem necessary or appropriate.

## II. CONCLUSIONS

6. With this filing, Counsel intends to demonstrate that the Defence is cooperating fully with the Mechanism and to respond to the President's observations, in order to allow consideration of this application for early release to continue.

## FOR THESE REASONS,

7. The President of the MECHANISM is respectfully requested to kindly take note of the further information provided regarding the planned residence in the Republic of Benin and consider the attached documents as satisfying the requirements set out in the Order of 29 January 2026.

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Done in Paris (France), 3 February 2026

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