## INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR SETTLEMENT OF INVESTMENT DISPUTES

Bay View Group LLC and The Spalena Company LLC

v.

**Republic of Rwanda** 

(ICSID Case No. ARB/18/21)

## PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3 ON BIFURCATION

*Members of the Tribunal* Rt. Hon. Lord Phillips KG, PC, President of the Tribunal Mr. J. Truman Bidwell, Jr., Arbitrator Ms. Barbara Dohmann QC, Arbitrator

> Secretary of the Tribunal Mr. Alex B. Kaplan

> > August 28, 2019

- 1. In Procedural Order No. 2, the Tribunal stated that "Rwanda's request to determine its preliminary objections to jurisdiction *ratione temporis* as a preliminary question is granted, save that the Tribunal will reconsider this decision if the Claimants' Counter-Memorial on Preliminary Objections pleads a viable claim based on matters post-dating the Cut-off Date that require exploration on the merits."
- 2. On August 17, 2019, the Claimants duly submitted their Counter-Memorial on Preliminary Objections, a substantial portion of which was devoted to jurisdiction *ratione temporis*.
- 3. The Tribunal, having deliberated, finds that the Claimants have pleaded a sufficient case to be investigated during the merits phase—that they have a claim founded on matters occurring after the Cut-off Date of May 14, 2015.
- 4. Accordingly, the Respondent's objection to jurisdiction *ratione temporis* shall no longer be bifurcated from the merits phase.

## DECISION

- 5. For the reasons set forth above, the Tribunal orders as follows:
  - (a) Rwanda's request to determine its preliminary objections to jurisdiction *ratione temporis* as a preliminary question is denied on reconsideration; and
  - (b) The Parties shall confer and propose by September 13, 2019 the number of hearing days required for the hearing on bifurcated preliminary objections scheduled for November 18-22, 2019 together with a provisional schedule of the hearing.

On behalf of the Tribunal,

[signed]

Rt. Hon. Lord Phillips KG, PC President of the Tribunal Date: August 28, 2019