

ONGWEN, DOMINIC

Current age: Approximately 36 years

Possible charges	Age at time	Strength of evidence	Harm	Culpability	Likely sentence	Previous background and character	Degree of coercion	Current attitude to allegations	Other relevant matters
Murder at Odek camp	Approx. 27	Admissions in recorded radio intercepts. Numerous individuals name Ongwen as planning and ordering the attack. Victims abducted during the attack name Ongwen as the commander of the attackers. Very strong	Dozens of individuals murdered. Extreme harm	Ongwen was in sole command. His superiors were hundreds of miles away. He planned and ordered the attack. He knew it would result in death and destruction as well as abduction of numerous children. His highly disciplined fighters had no option but to obey his commands. High culpability		Abducted between the ages of 9 and 14, approx. 15 years prior to the attack, Ongwen was coerced by his commanders in the same way as he behaved to his own subordinates. Reported to be suffering from mental illness but has refused to allow himself to be examined by Prosecution doctors.	Ongwen was only present at Odek because of his own abduction and initial coercion. But by the time of the attack Ongwen was a senior independent commander who had spurned numerous opportunities to escape.	Unknown. Ongwen refused to speak to or meet Prosecution investigators after his arrest. Has made no independent admissions of culpability.	The attack on Odek was part of a series of similar attacks, with similar atrocious consequences, within a few months of each other.