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International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens responsible for genocide and other such violations committed in the territory of neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

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## IN THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before:

Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald (Presiding)

Judge Mohamed Shahabuddeen

Judge Lal Chand Vohrah

Judge Wang Tieya

Judge Rafael Nieto-Navia

Registrar:

Mr. Agwu U. Okali

Order of:

26 May 1998

**PROSECUTOR** 

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THÉONESTE BAGOSORA AND 28 OTHERS

ORDER ON THE MOTION ON BEHALF OF THE ACCUSED COLONEL THÉONESTE BAGOSORA

## The Prosecutor:

Louise Arbour Bernard A. Muna

## Counsel for the Accused:

Raphael Constant

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THE APPEALS CHAMBER of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens responsible for genocide and other such violations committed in the territory of neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 ("International Tribunal for Rwanda"),

CONSIDERING the Preliminary Motion on behalf of the accused regarding an appeal lodged by the Prosecutor against a decision of 30 March 1998 by Judge Tafazzal Hossein KHAN [sic] ("Motion"), filed on 1 May 1998 by Counsel for Mr. Bagosora ("Accused"),

NOTING that the Prosecutor in her ex parte Notice of Appeal filed on 6 April 1998, is seeking to appeal from the Decision of Judge Tafazzal Hossain Khan ("Decision"), dated 31 March 1998, in which he dismissed the indictment against Théoneste Bagosora and 28 Others, filed on 6 March 1998, following an ex parte review pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the International Tribunal for Rwanda ("Appeal"),

CONSIDERING that in the Motion, the Accused seeks leave to be heard by the Appeals Chamber on the Appeal and contends that the Appeal is inadmissible,

NOTING the Scheduling Order dated 23 April 1998 in which the Appeals Chamber of the International Tribunal for Rwanda requested the Prosecutor to submit a written brief addressing the question of whether an appeal lies from the Decision ("Scheduling Order"),

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NOTING the Appellant Brief by the Prosecution in Support of the Admissibility of the Appeal of the Dismissal by Judge Khan of the Indictment against Bagosora and 28 Others of 31 March 1998, filed on 30 April 1998 pursuant to the Scheduling Order,

NOTING FURTHER that the Appeals Chamber has not yet determined whether it has jurisdiction to review the Decision, and that therefore the Request for Leave is premature at this time,

**HEREBY STAYS** consideration of the Motion pending determination by the Appeals Chamber of whether an appeal lies from the Decision.

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Done in both English and French, with the English text being authoritative.

Gabrielle Kirk McDonald Presiding Judge

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 1998 At The Hague The Netherlands.



[Seal of the Tribunal]