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JEAN PAUL AKAYESU

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THE PROSECUTOR

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AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO RULE 4 OF THE TRIBUNAL'S  
RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE

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I, Judge Navanethem Pillay, President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (the "Tribunal");

**HAVING RECEIVED** a request dated 9 March 2001, in terms of Rule 4 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence, from Judge Claude Jorda, Presiding Judge of the Tribunal's Appeals Chamber, to hold a hearing in the appeal of Jean Paul Akayesu vs. the Prosecutor ("*Akayesu*"), away from the seat of the Tribunal in Arusha, Tanzania, at the seat of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, at The Hague, Netherlands;

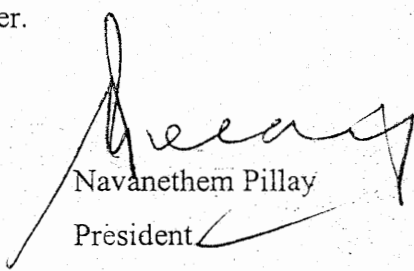
**HAVING CONSIDERED** the reasons for such request, namely that:

- (a) the hearing is for the purpose of delivering the judgment of the Appeals Chamber;
- (b) the draft judgment has been finalised and the Appeals Chamber is in a position to deliver the same at the end of March 2001;
- (c) the next scheduled session of the Appeals Chamber in Arusha, Tanzania is not expected to be held until 27 May 2001. It is in the interests of justice that the delivery of the judgment not be withheld until the end of May 2001, but be made known to the Appellant expeditiously;
- (d) The exercise of the functions of the Appeals Chamber away from the seat of the Tribunal will in this instance also be cost effective in that travel costs of five Judges, the Prosecutor, Defence Counsel and their support staff, from Europe to Arusha will not be incurred;

In light of the above, I conclude that the holding of the hearing in The Hague, as requested by Judge Jorda, is in the interests of justice.

I hereby authorise the Appeals Chamber to render their judgement in the appeal of Jean Paul Akayesu vs. The Prosecutor, at The Hague, Netherlands, (the seat of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia) and at a date to be determined by the Presiding Judge of the Appeals Chamber.

Arusha, 16 March 2001,

  
Navanethem Pillay

President

(Seal of the Tribunal)

