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TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge William H. Sekule, Presiding

Judge Winston C. Matanzima Maqutu

Judge Arlette Ramaroson

Registrar:

Adama Dieng

Decision of:

10 July 2001

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

Pauline NYIRAMASUHUKO

&

Arsène Shalom NTAHOBALI

Case No. ICTR-97-21-T

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DECISION ON THE EXTREMELY URGENT DEFENCE MOTION TO SAFEGUARD THE RIGHTS OF ACCUSED PAULINE NYIRAMASUHUKO

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THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA ("the Tribunal"),

SITTING as Trial Chamber II, composed of Judge William H. Sekule, Presiding, Judge Winston C.M. Maqutu and Judge Arlette Ramaroson ("the Chamber");

BEING SEIZED, pursuant to Rule 73 of the Rules, of:

- (i) The "Requête d'extrême urgence aux fins de sauvegarder la défense de Pauline Nyiramasuhuko (...)" filed on 18 May 2001 (the "Motion");
- (ii) The "Réponse à la Requête d'extrême urgence aux fins de sauvegarder la défense de Pauline Nyiramasuhuko" filed by Counsel for Arsène Shalom Ntahobali on 22 May 2001;
- (iii) The "Réplique à la Réponse à la Requête d'extrême urgence aux fins de sauvegarder la défense de Pauline Nyiramasuhuko" filed by Counsel for Nyiramasuhuko on 30 May 2001;

CONSIDERING:

- (i) That the Parties were informed that the Motion would be decided upon, pursuant to Rule 73(A) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Tribunal (the "Rules"), on the basis of their written briefs; and
 - (ii) That the Prosecutor did not file submissions in respect of this Motion;

CONSIDERING FURTHER:

- (i) That, in their Motion, Counsel for Nyiramasuhuko raised issues pertaining to the alleged non-compliance by Counsel for Ntahobali with an agreement entered into by the Defense of Nyiramasuhuko and the Defence of the co-Accused in the person of Lead Counsel René St-Léger, to the effect that they would to some extent work together in the interests of their respective clients;
- (ii) That, as a consequence of the said alleged non-compliance, Counsel for Nyiramasuhuko moved the Chamber for a an Order that they be authorized to meet with co-Accused Ntahobali as part of the preparation of their defense;
- (iii) That, since the Chamber's "Decision on Ntahobali's Motion for withdrawal of Counsel" rendered on 22 June 2001, which granted the co-Accused's request to have his lead-Counsel and co-Counsel withdrawn from his case, MM. René Saint-Leger and James Michael Bailey no longer represent the co-Accused;
 - (iv) That, as a consequence of the above, the Motion, at this stage, is moot;



THE TRIAL CHAMBER,

DISMISSES the Motion.

Arusha, 10 July 2001

William H. Sekule Presiding Judge Winston C. Matanzima Maqutu Judge Arlette Ramaroson Judge

(Seal of the Tribunal)