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International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda  
Tribunal Pénal International pour le Rwanda

TRIAL CHAMBER III

Original: English

Before: Judge Yakov Ostrovsky, Presiding  
Judge Lloyd George Williams  
Judge Pavel Dolenc

Registrar: Mr. Adama Dieng

Decision of: 15 March 2002

THE PROSECUTOR  
versus  
LAURENT SEMANZA

Case No. ICTR-97-20-T

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DECISION ON A DEFENCE MOTION TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR FILING A  
RESPONSE TO THE PROSECUTOR'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO CALL  
REBUTTAL EVIDENCE

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**THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA**

**SITTING** as Trial Chamber III, composed of Judge Yakov Ostrovsky, presiding, Judge Lloyd George Williams and Judge Pavel Dolenc (the "Chamber");

**BEING SEIZED** of "REQUETE EN EXTREME URGENCE DE LA DEFENSE EN VUE D'OBTENIR DES DELAIS SUPPLEMENTAIRES POUR REPLIQUER A LA REQUETE EN REPLIQUE DE L'ACCUSATION (art. 73 D RPP)", filed on 8 March 2002 (the "Motion");

**CONSIDERING** the Prosecutor's Response to the Motion (the "Response"), filed on 12 March 2002;

**NOW DECIDES** the matter solely on the briefs of the parties pursuant to Rule 73(A) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

**WHEREAS** the Defence requests reasonable additional time to respond to the Prosecutor's Motion for Leave to Call Rebuttal Evidence, filed on 5 March 2002 (the "Rebuttal Motion").

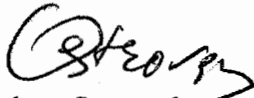
**WHEREAS** the Prosecutor urges the Chamber to dismiss the Defence Motion.

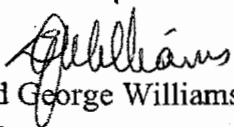
**WHEREAS** the Chamber considers the Defence request justified taking into account the voluminous documentation filed by the Prosecutor in support of her Rebuttal Motion.

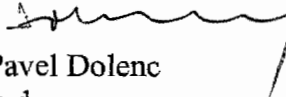
**ACCORDINGLY**, the Chamber

**GRANTS** the Defence Motion and **DECIDES** to extend the time for filing a response to the Rebuttal Motion until 22 March 2002, after which date the Chamber shall decide the Prosecutor's Rebuttal Motion.

Arusha, 15 March 2002

  
Yakov Ostrovsky  
Judge

  
Lloyd George Williams, QC  
Judge

  
Pavel Dolenc  
Judge

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