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International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda Tribunal pénal international pour le Rwanda

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TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before:

Judge Lloyd G. Williams, Q.C., Presiding

Judge Andrésia Vaz

Judge Khalida Rachid Khan

Registrar:

Adama Dieng

Date:

18 March 2004

THE PROSECUTOR

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EMMANUEL RUKUNDO

Case No. ICTR-2001-70-I

DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR HIS PROVISIONAL RELEASE

Rule 65, Rule 65 bis and Rule 73 bis of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

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

SITTING as Trial Chamber III composed of Judges Lloyd G. Williams, O.C., presiding, Andrésia Vaz and Khalida Rachid Khan ("Chamber");

BEING SEISED of the "Decision on Appeal from the Decision of Trial Chamber III of 18 August 2003 Denying the Application for Provisional Release," dated 8 March 2004 which ordered the remittance of the application for Provisional Release to the full bench of the Trial Chamber for its Decision;

RECONSIDERING THEREFORE the Defence "Motion to Fix a Date for the Commencement of the Trial of Father Emmanuel Rukundo or, in the Alternative, to Request his Provisional Release," as filed on 21 May 2003; the "Prosecutor's Response to the Defence Motion for Provisional Release (Bail) or to Fix a Date for a Pre-Trial Conference." as filed on 27 May 2003 and the Defence Reply thereto filed on 3 July 2003; and the "Registrar's Submission under Rule 33(B) of the Rules on Defence Counsel's Motion for Provisional Release of Father Emmanuel Rukundo," filed on 18 July 2003 and the Defence response thereto filed on 28 July 2003;

CONSIDERING the Statute of the Tribunal ("Statute") and the Rules, particularly Rule 65 as it was amended at the thirteenth plenary session of 26 and 27 May 2003;

CONSIDERING FURTHER the "Decision on Defence Motion to Fix a Date for the Commencement of the Trial of Father Emmanuel Rukundo or, in the Alternative, to Request his Provisional Release," dated 18 August 2003;

NOTING that the Trial Chamber, now fully constituted, agrees with the reasoning in the aforementioned Decision of 18 August 2003;

NOW DECIDES the matter, pursuant to Rule 73(A) of the Rules, solely on the basis of the written briefs filed by the parties;

AND HEREBY

ADOPTS the reasoning in the Decision of 18 August 2003; and

DENIES the Defence Motion for Provisional Release.

Arusha, 16 March 2004

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Presiding

Andrésia Vaz

Judge

Khalida Rachid Khar

Judge

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