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TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before Judges: Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca, Presiding Khalida Rachid Khan Lee Gacuiga Muthoga

Registrar: Adama Dieng

Date:

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

Protais ZIGIRANYIRAZO

Case No. ICTR-2001-73-T

DECISION ON THE PROSECUTOR'S MOTION TO VARY HIS WITNESS LIST Rule 73bis(E) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

Office of the Prosecutor: Wallace Kapaya Gina Butler Iskandar Ismail Jane Mukangira Defence Counsel: John Philpot Peter Zaduk

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

SITTING as Trial Chamber III, composed of Judges Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca, Presiding, Khatida Rachid Khan, and Lee Gacuiga Muthoga ("Chamber");

BEING SEIZED of the "Prosecutor's Motion for Varying the Witness List" filed on 22 December 2005 ("Motion");

CONSIDERING the Defence Response to Prosecutor's Motion for Varying the Witness List, filed on 28 December 2005, in which the Defence opposes the Motion for lack of diligence with regard to Witness BIY and for late disclosure with regard to Witness BPP, and the Prosecutor's Reply thereto filed on 4 January 2006;

CONSIDERING the extract of Witness BIY's testimony before Belgian Authorities dated 25 November 2005 indicating that the witness does not have special knowledge about the Accused which was not already disclosed to the Belgian Authorities, that others know more about the Accused, and that the witness is not willing to suffer mentally by responding to further questions;¹

CONSIDERING the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules") particularly Rule 73*bis*(E) of the Rules;

CONSIDERING that Witness BIY is the witness to testify as to the events at the Kanombe State House and is not willing to further testify;

CONSIDERING that the Prosecutor has another witness, Witness BPP, who can testify to the same events and that his statements were already disclosed to the Defence;

CONSIDERING that the withdrawal of Witness BIY and the sole inclusion of Witness BPP will not prejudice the rights of the Accused;

CONSIDERING FURTHER that it is in the interests of justice to allow the parties to present their cases and to bring the best evidence available;

THE CHAMBER

GRANTS the Motion, and ALLOWS the variation of the Prosecution Witness List as proposed in the Motion.

19 January 2006, done in English. Arusha Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca Gacuiga Muthos chid Khan Chalida Presiding Judge Judge [Seal of the Tribunal]

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¹ The witness said; « Je ne sais rien de spécial au sujet de Mr. Z ; il y en a d'autres qui en savent beaucoup plus. Je ne sais pas dire plus que ce que j'ai dit ici. Je ne veux plus souffrir mentalement avec des questions et je veux vivre tranguillement. »