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TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge Asoka de Silva, Presiding

Designated pursuant to Rule 73(A) of the Rules

Registrar:

Mr Adama Dieng

Date:

13 April 2006

The PROSECUTOR

**Augustin BIZIMUNGU** Augustin NDINDILIYIMANA François-Xavier NZUWONEMEYE Innocent SAGAHUTU

Case No. ICTR-00-56-T

DECISION ON THE PROSECUTOR'S EX-PARTE MOTION FOR THE TRANSFER OF WITNESSES DETAINED OR PLACED UNDER COURT SUPERVISION PURSUANT TO RULES 54 AND 90bis OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND **EVIDENCE** 

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

SITTING as Trial Chamber II, composed of Judge Asoka de Silva, Presiding (the "Chamber");

**BEING SEISED OF** the "Prosecutor's Ex-Parte Motion for the Transfer of Witnesses Detained or Placed Under Court Supervision Pursuant to Rules 54 and 90bis of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence", filed on 12 April 2006 (the "Motion");

NOTING the Prosecutor's letter of 8 March 2006 to the Rwandan Ministry of Justice seeking confirmation that the conditions for transfer of detained witnesses under the Rules are met;

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION the letter of 11 April 2006 from the Rwandan Ministry of Justice to the Tribunal's Prosecutor, in which it is confirmed that Witnesses DO, ANF, XXQ and GFQ are available during the period they are required to be present at the Tribunal as Prosecution witnesses;

**TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION** that the trial against the four accused will resume on 2 May 2006;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the provisions in Rule 90bis (B) which require that a transfer order for a detained witness shall be issued only after prior verification that:

- (i) The presence of the detained witness is not required for any criminal proceedings in progress in the territory of the requested State during the period the witness is required by the Tribunal;
- (ii) Transfer of the witness does not extend the period of his detention as foreseen by the requested State.

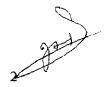
**SATISFIED** that these conditions have been met in the present case:

HEREBY ORDERS that Witnesses DO, ANF, XXQ and GFQ shall be transferred temporarily to the Tribunal's Detention Facilities in Arusha for a period not exceeding three (3) months with effect from 20 April 2006, in order to testify in the trial against the four accused;

## INSTRUCTS the Registry to:

- transmit this order to the Government of Rwanda and the Government of Tanzania;
- ensure the proper conduct of the transfer, including the supervision of the witnesses in the Detention Unit of the Tribunal:
- remain abreast of any changes which might occur regarding the conditions of detention provided for by the requested State and which may possibly affect the length of the temporary detention, and, as promptly as possible, inform the Judges of any such change.

REQUESTS the Government of Rwanda and the Government of Tanzania to cooperate with the Registry in the implementation of this Order;



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Arusha, 13 April 2006

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