



Tribunal Pénal International pour le Rwanda International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda ICTR-99-52-A

3rd April 2007 [10053/H - 10050/H]

<u>IN THE APPEALS CHAMBER</u>

Before:

Judge Fausto Pocar, Presiding Judge Mohamed Shahabuddeen

Judge Mehmet Güney Judge Andrésia Vaz Judge Theodor Meron

Registrar:

Mr. Adama Dieng

Decision of:

3 April 2007



Ferdinand NAHIMANA Jean-Bosco BARAYAGWIZA Hassan NGEZE (Appellants)

THE PROSECUTOR (Respondent)

Case No. ICTR-99-52-A

ICTR Appeals Chamber

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DECISION ON HASSAN NGEZE'S MOTION OF 29 MARCH 2007

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THE APPEALS CHAMBER of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 ("Appeals Chamber" and "Tribunal", respectively);

NOTING the "Appellant Hassan Ngeze's Urgent Motion to Order the Prosecutor and the Registry to Provide the Original Documents as Directed by Appeals Chamber Vide [sic] its Order of 21st February 2007" filed confidentially on 29 March 2007 ("Motion"), in which Hassan Ngeze ("the Appellant") asks the Appeals Chamber to order:

- the Registry to provide the Appeals Chamber with the original of the document entitled "Justification of DSA Payment, Witness Pseudonym EB" dated 17 May 2001, which includes an attachment form titled "Signature Sample" also dated 17 May 2001 ("DSA Form"), in accordance with the "Order Extending the Scope of the Examination by the Handwriting Expert Appointed by Order of 7 February 2007" issued by the Appeals Chamber on 21 February 2007 ("Order of 21 February 2007");
- the Prosecution to provide, in accordance with the Order of 21 February 2007, the Appeals Chamber with the original of two statements, dated respectively 29 March 2001 and 23 May 2005, whose copies are included as Documents D and F in Confidential Annex I to the Order of 7 February 2007;²

RECALLING its Public Order Appointing a Handwriting Expert With Confidential Annexes issued on 7 February 2007 ("Order of 7 February 2007"), in which the Appeals Chamber appointed Mr. Stephen Maxwell as handwriting expert and ordered a forensic examination based on a comparison between, 1) the photocopy of a handwritten purported recantation statement of Witness EB' ("First Recantation Statement") and an original additional statement purportedly made by Witness EB on 15 December 2005 that affirms the First Recantation Statement ("Original Additional Statement"); and 2) the First Recantation Statement and Original Additional Statement

Order of 21 February 2007, p. 3.

² Exhibit CA-3D2 (under seal), appended to the Order of 7 February 2007 as Confidential Annex I, Documents D and F, Index No.9872/H and 9870/H ("Documents D and F").

Exhibit CA-3D2 (under seal) contained in Confidential Annex I to the Order of 7 February 2007.
 Exhibit CA-3D4 (under seal) contained in Confidential Annex II to the Order of 7 February 2007.

on the one hand, and original samples of Witness EB's handwriting and signature taken at the appeal hearing of 16 January 2007¹ and after the appeal hearing of 18 January 2007, on the other;⁶

RECALLING that the Order of 21 February 2007 extended the scope of the handwriting examination so as to include the originals of Documents D and F and of the DSA Form;⁷

RECALLING that in its "Second Order Extending the Scope of the Examination by the Handwriting Expert Appointed by Order of 7 February 2007" of 27 March 2007 ("Order of 27 March 2007"), the Appeals Chamber further extended the handwriting examination so as to include the original of Document E in *Confidential* Annex I to the Order of 7 February 2007 ("Document E"), which consists of a sample of Witness EB's handwriting reproducing a passage of the First Recantation Statement;"

CONSIDERING that, pursuant to the Order of 21 February 2007, the Witnesses and Victims Support Section of the Registry sent to the Appeals Chamber the original of the DSA Form;

CONSIDERING, further, that following the Order of 21 February 2007, the Prosecution sent to the Appeals Chamber, through the Registry, all of the original documents related to its meetings of 29 March 2001 and 22-23 May 2005 with Witness EB, including the originals of Documents D and F, as requested in the Order of 21 February 2007, and the original of Document E;¹⁰

CONSIDERING that the Handwriting Expert has now received the originals of Documents D and F, of the DSA Form and of Document E;

CONSIDERING that, as the Prosecution and Registry have both already provided all the requested original documents as directed by the Appeal Chamber in its Order of 21 February 2007, the Motion is now most;

CONSIDERING, therefore, that the Appeals Chamber can dispose of this Motion without waiting for a response from the Prosecution;

ON THE BASIS OF THE FOREGOING,

⁵ Exhibits CA-3D6, CA-3D7 and CA-1 (under seal) contained, respectively, in *Confidential Annexes III*, IV and V to the Order of 7 February 2007.

Exhibit CA-2 (under seal), contained in *Confidential* Annex VI to the Order of 7 February 2007; see "Rapport à la Chambre d'appel: Recueil d'un exemplaire d'écriture et de signature du Témoin EB" by Ms. Catherine Marchi-Uhel, Senior Legal Officer, 29 January 2007.

⁷ Order of 21 February 2007, p. 3.

Order of 27 March 2007, p. 3; see also Order of 7 February 2007, Confidential Annex I, Index No. 9871/H.

HEREBY DISMISSES the Motion.

Done in English and French, the English text being authoritative.

Dated this 3rd day of April 2007. At The Hague, The Netherlands Te and

Fausto Pocar
Presiding Judge
[Seal of the Tribunal]

² See Confidential Memorandum from the Prosecution to the Senior Legal Officer of the Appeals Chamber, 22 March 2007. The handwriting sample reproduces lines 7 to 18 of the second page of the First Recantation Statement, included as Document B in Confidential Annex 1 to the Order of 7 February 2007 (Index No.9874/H).

¹⁰ Order of 27 March 2007, p. 3.



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