

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda Tribunal pénal international pour le Rwanda

OR: ENG

TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before Judges:

Inés M. Weinberg de Roca, Presiding

Lee Gacuiga Muthoga

Robert Fremr

Registrar:

Adama Dieng

Date:

19 September 2007



v.

Wenceslas MUNYESHYAKA

Case No. nº ICTR-2005-87-1

ORDER FOR FURTHER SUBMISSIONS OF THE PROSECUTOR

Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

Office of the Prosecutor:

Hassan Bubacar Jallow Bongani Majola James Stewart Alex Obote George Mugwanya Inneke Onsea François Nsanzuwera Plorida Kabasinga Defence Counsel:

- 1. On 12 June 2007, the Prosecutor submitted a request for Referral of the Indictment, in the case against *Wenceslas Munyeshyaka* (the "Accused"), to the Republic of France (the "Referral Motion") on the basis that the Accused was living in that country. Pursuant to Rule 11 *bis* (A) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the "Rules"), the President of the Tribunal designated this Trial Chamber to decide the Referral Motion.
- 2. On 25 June 2007, the Prosecutor requested the French authorities to arrest the Accused in execution of a Warrant of Arrest issued by the Tribunal⁴. On 20 July 2007, the French Authorities arrested the Accused.⁵ On 1 August 2007, a French Court reseinded the effects of the Warrant of Arrest and released *Wenceslas Munyeshyaka*⁶.
- 3. On 13 August 2007, an Order for arrest, detention and transfer against the Accused was issued by the Tribunal⁷. The French Authorities implemented that Order by arresting the Accused on 5 September 2007⁸. On 13 September 2007, the French Court, in charge of assessing the validity of the arrest and the transfer request, postpones the hearings to Wednesday 19 September 2007⁹.
- 4. The Chamber recalls Rule 54 of the Rules of the Procedure and Evidence, which states that a Trial Chamber may, *proprio motu*, issue such orders as may be necessary for the preparation or conduct of trial.

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¹ Prosecutor's Request for Referral of the Case of Wenceslas Munyeshyaka to France pursuant to Rule 11 bis of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the "Referral Motion"), 12 June 2007.

² The term "Tribunal" refers to the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda or ICTR,

³ Designation of Trial Chamber under Rule 11 bis, (President), 11 July 2007.

⁴ Warrant for Arrest and Order for Detention, 20 June 2007.

⁵ Arrêt, 8ème Chambre d'instruction, Cour d'appel de Paris, 1^{et} Août 2007 (see page 4 of the English-translated version of the decision)

⁶ Idem, page 12.

⁷ Mandat d'arrêt et ordonnance de transfert et de détention, 13 August 2007.

⁸ Press Release, Agence France Presse, 13 September 2007.

⁹ Idem.

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FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, THE CHAMBER:

- J. ORDERS the Prosecutor to advise the Chamber, within 7 days from the date of the present Order, on the present state of the proceedings in the matter.
- II. REQUESTS the Registrar to notify immediately to the Prosecutor the present Order.

Arusha, 19 September 2007, done in English.

Inés M. Weinberg de Roca Presiding Judge Gacuiga Muthoga

Robert Fremr Judge

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