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## TRIAL CHAMBER DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO RULE 11 BIS

Before Judges:

Khalida Rachid Khan, presiding

Asoka de Silva Emile Francis Short

Registrar:

Mr Adama Dieng

Date:

4 December 2007

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

### ILDEPHONSE HATEGEKIMANA

Case No. ICTR-00-55B-I

## SCHEDULING ORDER FOR FILING OF SUBMISSIONS BY THE PARTIES

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#### INTRODUCTION

The Prosecution has requested that Mr Hategekimana's case, currently in the pre-Trial phase before the Tribunal, be referred to the authorities of Rwanda for prosecution before an appropriate Rwandan coun pursuant to Rule 11 bis of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence. In accordance with Rule 11 bis (A), the President designated a Trial Chamber to decide the Referral Request, comprising Judges Khalida Ruchid Khan, presiding, Asoka de Silva, and Emile Francis Short.

#### DISCUSSION

- 2. The Defence requests that the Chamber order the Prosecution to provide it with a French version of the Referral Request, as well as French copies of all annexes to the Referral Request. The Defence also requests that it be allowed to file its response to the Referral Request 45 days (one month and one half) after receipt of the French documents. The Prosecution responded to the Defence Request, noting that it did not oppose the establishment of a scheduling order. The Defence reiterated its request that all documents be served on it in French.
- 3. The Chamber notes that the French translation of the Referral Request was circulated on 27 October 2007. French language versions of Annexes A, C, G, H and L to the Referral Request have not yet been made available to the Defence.
- The Rules of Procedure and Evidence are silent as to the time limit to file a response to a referral request brought under Rule 11 bis.
- 5. The French translation of the Referral Request has been available to the Defence for more than thirty (30) days. While the Chamber considers this more than a sufficient period to respond to the Referral Request, the Chamber notes that the Defence has not yet received translations of the above-referenced annexes. As such, the Chamber will give the Defence additional time to respond after it receives the French language versions of Annexes A. C. G. H and L.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On 9 November 2007, Mr Hategekimana made a further appearance following the filing of an Amended Indictment on 1 October 2007.

Prosecutor's Request for the Referral of the Case of Idelphonse Hategekiniana to Rwanda Pursuani to Rule 15 bis of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence, 7 September 2007 ("Referral Request")

<sup>\*</sup> Unless specified otherwise, all Rules referred to in this Decision are from the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Designation of a Trial Chamber for the Referral of the Case of Idelphonse Hategekiniana to Rwanda (President), 2 October 2007.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Prosecutor's Response to 'Relative à la Requête du Procureur du 07 Septembre 2007 et les pièces y annexies, le tout portant suspension de l'Acte d'accusation et de remise de l'Accuse aux Autorités (wandaises pour poursones', 21 September 2007.

<sup>&#</sup>x27; Requête Urgente de la Défense en Obtention en Version Française de Tons les Documents Lies à la Requête du Procureur en Date du 7 Septembre Fondée sur L'Article 11 Bis et en Rappel de la Démande de Délai, bled 26 November 2007 ("Second Defence Request").

### CONSIDERING THE ABOVE, THE CHAMBER

**ORDERS** the Prosecution to file with the Registry French language versions of Annexes A, C, G, H and L to the Referral Request, or, in the alternative, to explain why any of these Annexes are not available in French within three (3) days of this Order;

ORDERS the Defence to file its response to the Referral Request within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the French language versions of Annexes A, C, G, H and L to the Referral Request.

Arusha, 4 December 2007

Khalida Rachid Khan

Presiding Judge

Asoka de Silva

Judge

With the consent and on behalf of Emile Francis Short Judge (Absent during signature)

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