



International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
Tribunal pénal international pour le Rwanda

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TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before Judges: Lee Gacuga Muthoga
Pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

Registrar: Adama Dieng

Date: 24 June 2008

THE PROSECUTOR
v.
CASIMIR BIZIMUNGU
JUSTIN MUGENZI
JÉRÔME-CLÉMENT BICAMUMPAKA
PROSPER MUGIRANEZA

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FURTHER ORDERS REGARDING THE FILING OF CLOSING BRIEFS

Article 19 of the Statute and Rules 54 and 86 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

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

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SITTING as Trial Chamber II, composed of Judge Lee Gacuiga Muthoga ("Chamber"), pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules");

RECALLING that the presentation of the evidence in this case was completed on 12 June 2008, subject to certain outstanding matters currently pending before the Chamber.

RECALLING the Trial Chamber's Orders of 27 May 2008, made pursuant to Rules 86 (B) and 54 of the Rules, which were subsequently reaffirmed during the Status Conference held on 13 June 2008, concerning the filing of Closing Briefs by the Parties in this case, which were set down as follows:

- The Prosecution is to file its Closing Brief no later than 1 October 2008;
- The Defence teams are to file their respective Closing Briefs no later than 10 November 2008 (Anglophone teams); or no later than 21 November 2008 (Francophone teams).

RECALLING that the Closing Arguments in this case have been scheduled for the week commencing 1 December 2008, pursuant to Rule 86 (A) of the Rules.

NOTING the Chamber's obligation to ensure that the trial is fair and expeditious, as required by Article 19 of the Statute of the Tribunal;

NOTING FURTHER the Chamber's power, pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules, to issue, *proprio motu*, such orders as may be necessary for the conduct of the trial;

CONSIDERING it necessary to place certain limitations upon the volume of the Closing Briefs filed by the Parties, for the conduct and expediency of the trial, in particular having regard to the need to prevent unnecessary strain being placed upon the judicial resources of the Chamber, as well as upon the Translation Section of the Tribunal;

HEREBY ORDERS

- I. That each Final Trial Brief filed, including all annexures, shall not exceed three hundred (300) pages; and
- II. That the typeface of the Parties' submissions shall be 12 point with 1.5 line spacing, and the margins on each page shall be at least 2.5 centimetres on all four sides; and



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III. That any Party who is unable to comply with this directive shall seek an order from the Trial Chamber to vary the length of the brief, at least two weeks prior to the deadline for the filing of the brief. Such variation will only be granted if the Chamber is satisfied that the circumstances necessitate an increase in the aforementioned limitations.

Arusha, 14 June 2008



Lee Gacumba Muthoga
Judge

