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TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before Judges:

Dennis C. M. Byron, Presiding

Gberdao Gustave Kam

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Registrar:

Adama Dieng

Date:

27 January 2009

THE PROSECUTION

v.

Édouard KAREMERA Mathieu NGIRUMPATSE Joseph NZIRORERA

Case No. ICTR-98-44-T

JUDICIAL PECENDER ARCHIVE

SCHEDULING ORDER

Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence

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- 1. The next session in this case is scheduled to start on 9 February 2009 with the continuation of the presentation of the defence case of Édouard Karemera.
- 2. The Chamber notes Mathieu Ngirumpatse's submissions on the resumptions of the trial¹ as well as Édouard Karemera's filing regarding the necessity of a status conference prior to the beginning of the next session.²
- 3. The Chamber also notes the updates on Mr. Ngirumpatse's health condition by the Chief Medical Officer of the Tribunal, including the latest report dated 26 January 2009.
- 4. It has come to the Chamber's attention that the Defence of Édouard Karemera has provided today the Witnesses and Victim Support Section ("WVSS") with the necessary information for this section to bring the Karemera Defence Witnesses to Arusha to testify. It is not clear whether the list of twelve witnesses provided to WVSS constitute the whole list of the remaining witnesses to be heard as it includes fewer witnesses than in former submissions by Édouard Karemera on the issue. For planning purposes, it is necessary that Édouard Karemera enlightens the Chamber on the exact number of witnesses remaining to be heard for his case.
- 5. The Chamber recalls the adjustments that were discussed during the hearing of 6 November 2008 regarding Mr. Ngirumpatse's ability to participate in his trial from the location where he receives his medical treatment. The Chamber is mindful that it would be preferable for it to sit three days a week, instead of four as was initially proposed, in order to provide Mr. Ngirumpatse with the best opportunity to participate in his defence while receiving his medical treatment.

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Observations pour Mr. Ngirumpatse relativement à l'éventualité d'une reprise de la session le 9 février 2009, filed on 22 January 2009.

Requête sur la nécessité d'une conférence de mise en état avant la reprise de la prochaine session, filed on 26 January 2009.

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6. The Chamber recalls that WVSS must be provided with witnesses' information sufficiently in advance so it can bring witnesses to Arusha to testify.

FOR THE 3ES REASONS, THE CHAMBER

- I. OR DERS that the next trial session starts with a status conference on 9 February 2009 and that the first witness of this session will be heard on 12 lebruary 2009;
- II. DIF ECTS Édouard Karemera to provide the Chamber, by Friday 30 January 2009, with information regarding the exact number of remaining witnesses to be heard for his ase; and
- III. DIFECTS the Registry to continue providing the best possible facilities to Mr. Ngi umpatse so he can participate in his defence.

Arusha, 27 January 2009, done in English.

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