



International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda Tribunal pénal international pour le Rwanda

OR: ENG

TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge William H. Sekule, Presiding

Judge Solomy Balungi Bossa Judge Mparany Rajohnson

Registrar:

Mr. Adama Dieng

Date:

2 September 2011

The PROSECUTOR

Augustin NGIRABATWARE

Case No. 1CTR-99-54-T

ORDER DENYING THE DEFENCE REQUEST FOR A STAY OF THE ORDER TO FILE ITS FINAL LIST OF WITNESSES BY 5 SEPTEMBER 2011

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

SITTING as Trial Chamber II composed of Judges William H. Sekule, Presiding, Solomy Balungi Bossa and Mparany Rajohnson (the "Chamber");

CONSIDERING the Statute of the Tribunal (the "Statute") and the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (the "Rules");

RECALLING that:

- 1. On 13 July 2011, the Chamber ordered the Defence to significantly reduce the number of Defence witnesses, and to file its final list by 1 August 2011;¹
- 2. The Defence did not file a final list of its witnesses by 1 August 2011;² and
- 3. On 26 August 2011, the Chamber ordered the Defence to file its final list of witnesses by 5 September 2011, which was not to exceed 19 remaining witnesses, to make a total of 35 witnesses ("the Order of 26 August 2011");³

CONSIDERING the "Defence Compliance with the Trial Chamber's Order to Reduce Significantly the Witness List and Defence Extremely Urgent Motion for Reconsideration and/or Certification to Appeal the Trial Chamber's Decision of 26 August 2011", filed confidentially on 1 September 2011 (the "Defence Motion");

NOTING that the Defence Motion provides a list of 29 remaining Defence witnesses;⁴

NOTING also that the Defence Motion requests a stay of the Order of 26 August 2011;⁵

CONSIDERING that the Defence request for a stay of the Order is not warranted under the circumstances, and also the specific time frame in which to file the final list as indicated in the Order of 26 August 2011;

CONSIDERING also that the next session of the Defence case-in-chief is scheduled to resume on 19 September 2011; and

EMPHASIZING that the resolution of this request is without prejudice to the resolution of any other issue addressed in the Defence Motion;

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¹ T. 13 July 2011, pp. 89-90.

² See Decision on the Defence Motion for Reconsideration or Certification to Appeal the Oral Decision of 13 July 2011, and on the Reduction of the Defence Witness List (TC), 26 August 2011, paras. 13, 53.

³ Id., para. 60, p. 12.

⁴ Defence Motion, para. 66.

⁵ *Id.*, para. 116.

THE CHAMBER HEREBY:

DENIES the Defence request for a stay of the Order of 26 August 2011 to file its final list of witnesses by 5 September 2011, which was not to exceed 19 remaining witnesses;

REITERATES the Order of 26 August 2011; and

ORDERS the Defence to indicate the order of appearance of its final list of witnesses by 5 September 2011.

Arusha, 2 September 2011

William H. Sekule Presiding Judge Solomy Bakungi Bossa

Mparany Rajohnson Judge