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International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Former Yugoslavia since 1991 Case No: IT-95-14/1 - X R41 Date: 20 November 1996 Original: English

Before: Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald

Registrar: Mrs. Dorothee de Sampayo Garrido-Nijgh

Order of: 20 November 1996

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

DARIO KORDIĆ AND OTHERS

ORDER TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON THE MEASURES TAKEN TO EFFECT PERSONAL SERVICE OF THE INDICTMENT

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Ms. Louise Arbour

20 November 1996

I, Gabrielle Kirk McDonald, Judge of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, in chambers,

NOTING the indictment against Dario Kordić and others dated 2 November 1995 which I confirmed on 10 November 1995,

NOTING the warrants of arrest ordering surrender of the accused persons which I signed on 10 November 1995,

CONSIDERING that the above specified warrants of arrest, accompanied by the required documents, have been addressed to the authorities of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Republic of Croatia, specifically directing them to search for Dario Kordić and the other accused persons and to arrest them,

CONSIDERING that as of the date of this Order, the warrants of arrest have not been executed by the authorities to whom they were sent,

NOTING that as of the date of this Order, one of the accused persons named in this indictment, Tihofil Blaskić, has surrendered himself to the jurisdiction of the Tribunal,

CONSIDERING that the Tribunal is unable to exercise its jurisdiction in relation to the accused persons named in this indictment, other than Tihofil Blaskić, in respect of whom the warrants of arrest have not been executed,

CONSIDERING that according to Rule 60 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, hereafter referred to as the Rules, the Registrar, at the request of the Prosecutor, shall transmit a form of advertisement of the indictment to the national authorities of any States which the Prosecutor considers necessary for publication in the national newspapers of the territories concerned,

CONSIDERING also that the wording of Rule 60 shows that the only requirement is the transmission of the form of the advertisement by the Registrar to the competent authorities without the need to prove that it was actually published,

CONSIDERING that according to the provisions of Rule 61, Sub-rule (A), the Judge who confirmed the indictment shall invite the Prosecutor to report on the measures he has taken if the warrants of arrest have not been executed within a reasonable time, and that such measures include the transmission of the advertisement pursuant to Rule 60,

CONSIDERING that the concept of reasonable time must be evaluated in respect of the circumstances specific to each case,

CONSIDERING that as regards this particular case, the reasonable time has elapsed,

FOR THESE REASONS, PURSUANT TO RULE 61(A),

INVITE the Prosecutor to immediately initiate the procedure envisaged by Rule 60, should this not yet have been initiated in relation to the indictment against Dario Kordić and others dated 2 November 1995 as confirmed on 10 November 1995, in so far as the indictment relates to the accused persons named therein other than Tihofil Blaskić;

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FURTHER INVITE the Prosecutor to submit a written report on the measures taken pursuant to Rule 61 in relation to the indictment against Dario Kordić and others dated 2 November 1995 as confirmed on 10 November 1995, in so far as such measures relate to the accused persons named therein other than Tihofil Blaskić;

SET the final date for the submission of this report for 4 December 1996, or 27 November 1996 should Rule 60 have already been activated;

GRANT the Prosecutor a period of three days from the date of this Order to apply for an extension of time within which to comply with the Order, such application to include a statement of reasons for the necessity of this extension;

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Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald

Dated this twentieth day of November 1996 At The Hague The Netherlands

(Seal of the Tribunal)

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