



International Tribunal for the  
Prosecution of Persons Responsible  
For Serious Violations of International  
Humanitarian Law Committed in the  
Territory of the Former Yugoslavia  
Since 1991

Case: IT-95-14/2-A  
Date: 25 October 2001  
Original: English

**BEFORE THE PRE-APPEAL JUDGE**

**Before:** Judge David Hunt, Pre-Appeal Judge  
**Registrar:** Mr Hans Holthuis  
**Decision of:** 25 October 2001

**PROSECUTOR**

v

**Dario KORDIĆ & Mario ČERKEZ**

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**DECISION AUTHORISING RESPONSE BY THE PROSECUTION  
EXCEEDING THE PAGE LIMIT IMPOSED BY THE PRACTICE DIRECTION ON  
THE LENGTH OF BRIEFS AND MOTIONS AND ALLOWING FURTHER  
TIME TO FILE A REPLY**

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**Mr Upawansa Yapa and Mr Norman Farrell**

**Counsel for the Defence:**

**Mr Mitko Naumovski for Dario Kordić  
Mr Božidar Kovačić and Mr Goran Mikuličić for Mario Čerkez**

**I, DAVID HUNT**, Judge of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991 (“the International Tribunal”);

**NOTING** that the Office of the Prosecutor (“the Prosecution”) filed its “Prosecution Response to ‘Kordić Submissions in Relation to 9 October 2001 Scheduling Order’” (“the Response”) on 22 October 2001, seeking an extension of the page limit for the filing of its Response;

**NOTING** that paragraph 5 of the Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions (IT/184) of 19 January 2001 (“the Practice Direction”) provides that “Motions and replies and responses before a Chamber will not exceed 10 pages or 3,000 words, whichever is greater”;

**NOTING** that under paragraph (C)7 of the Practice Direction, a party must seek authorisation in advance from the Chamber to exceed the page limits;

**NOTING** that no such application for authorisation has been submitted by the Prosecution;

**CONSIDERING**, however, that the filing of the Response facilitates comprehension and promote an expeditious processing of the matter;

**CONSIDERING**, further, that it is in the interest of justice that a comprehensive Reply duly addressing the arguments raised in the Response (without unnecessary repetitions) be filed;

**THEREFORE**, in this particular case, I hereby authorise the oversized filing of the Response and inform Kordić and Čerkez that, if need be, a Reply exceeding the page limit set out in the Practice Direction may be filed by Tuesday 30 October 2001;

Done in both English and French, the English text being authoritative.



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Judge David Hunt  
Pre-Appeal Judge

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2001,  
At The Hague,  
The Netherlands.

**[Seal of the Tribunal]**