UNITED NATIONS

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-99-36-T

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IN TRIAL CHAMBER II

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Before:

Judge Carmel Agius, Presiding

Judge Ivana Janu Judge Chikako Tava

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

Decision of:

14 March 2002

PROSECUTOR

v.

RADOSLAV BRÐANIN and MOMIR TALIĆ

DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S NINTH MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES

The Office of the Prosecutor:

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Counsel for the Accused:

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Mr. Xavier de Roux and Ms. Natacha Fauveau-Ivanović, for Momir Talić

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TRIAL CHAMBER II ("the Chamber") 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 Tribunal"):

BEING SEISED OF the Prosecution's Ninth Motion for Protective Measures for Victims and

Witnesses filed confidentially on 8 March 2002 ("Motion");

NOTING the statement by the accused Momir Talić during the proceedings on 11 March 2002 and

the statement by the accused Radoslav Brđanin during the proceedings on 12 March 2002 that they

have no objections to the Motion;

NOTING that the protective measures requested relate to a witness for whom the Trial Chamber

has accepted a written statement pursuant to Rule 92 bis, although the statement has not yet been

marked as an exhibit;

NOTING that the protective measures requested in the Motion consist of the assignment of a

pseudonym and the redaction of all information as to the witness' identity and current whereabouts

from the statement that has been admitted pursuant to Rule 92 bis;

NOTING the prosecution's claim that the requested protective measures are necessary to safeguard

the security of the witness having regard to his current place of residence as well as his current

place of employment;

CONSIDERING the Trial Chamber's duty to balance the right of the accused to a public hearing

against the need to accord appropriate protection to victims and witnesses;

CONSIDERING that the protective measures requested in the motion strike an appropriate balance

between the rights of the accused and the rights of victims and witnesses;

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS

PURSUANT to Article 21 and 22 of the Statute of the Tribunal and to Rule 75 and 79 of the Rules

of Procedure and Evidence

HEREBY ORDERS as follows:

1. The pseudonym "BT18" shall be used whenever referring to the witness identified in the

Motion in proceedings before the Tribunal and in any further discussions among parties to the

current proceedings;

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2. All hearings to consider the issue of protective measures of Witness BT 18 shall be in closed

session and records and transcripts of the session(s) shall only be released to the public and to

the media after redaction by the Office of the Prosecutor, in consultation with Chambers Legal

Officers and the Victims and Witnesses Section, of all information that could reveal the witness'

identity and current whereabouts;

3. The name, address, whereabouts and identifying information for the Witness BT 18 shall be

sealed and not included in any of the public records of the Tribunal;

4. To the extent that the name, address, whereabouts, or other identifying data concerning Witness

BT 18 is contained in existing public documents of the Tribunal, that information shall be

expunged from those documents;

5. The Rule 92 bis statements of Witness BT 18 that were accepted by the Trial Chamber shall be

made public after redaction by the Office of the Prosecutor, in consultation with Chambers

Legal Officers and the Victims and Witnesses Section, of all information that could reveal the

witness' identity and current whereabouts.

Done in French and English, the English version being authoritative.

Dated this 14th day of March 2002,

At The Hague

The Netherlands

Carmel Agius

Presiding Judge

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