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International Tribunal for the

Case No. IT-02-60-PT

Prosecution of Persons

Responsible for Serious Violations of

Date:

16 April 2003

International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of

Original: English

Former Yugoslavia since 1991

IN TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before:

Judge Liu Daqun, Presiding

Judge Amin El Mahdi Judge Alphons Orie

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

Decision of:

16 April 2003

PROSECUTOR

VIDOJE BLAGOJEVIĆ DRAGAN OBRENOVIĆ DRAGAN JOKIĆ MOMIR NIKOLIĆ

DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S THIRD MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND WITNESS LIST

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TRIAL CHAMBER I ("Trial 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 ("Tribunal"),

BEING SEISED OF "Prosecution's Motion for Leave to Amend Witness List," filed under seal on

31 March 2003 ("Motion"), in which the Office of the Prosecutor ("Prosecution") seeks leave to add

three witnesses to its witness list,

NOTING that none of the Accused in this case filed a Response to the Motion,

NOTING that the Prosecution filed its updated witness list with revised summaries on 31 March

2003, incorporating witnesses added to the initial witness list of 8 November 2002, following two

decisions by Trial Chamber II permitting the Prosecution to amend its witness list,3

NOTING that through the Motion the Prosecution seeks to add three fact witnesses, for whom it has

pledged to disclose "immediately" all statements and information reports in its possession pertaining

to these witnesses, and for whom it attached witness summaries to the Motion, in compliance with

Rule 65 ter (E)(ii)(b) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"),

NOTING that the Prosecution submits that it intends to call all of the proposed fact witnesses as viva

voce witnesses and that the Prosecution submits that the testimony to be provided by these witnesses

is "critical to the Prosecution's case and to the Trial Chamber's understanding of the issues raised in

the Indictment".

CONSIDERING that the Trial Chamber's review of the summaries of the proposed witnesses

confirms that their testimony is relevant to crimes and events alleged in the Amended Joinder

Indictment of 27 May 2002, and that these witnesses do not appear to be providing evidence that is

cumulative in nature,

CONSIDERING that as less that one month remains before the start of this trial, which is set to

commence on 6 May 2003, and in order to ensure that no prejudice to any Accused will result from

the addition of the three witnesses to the witness list at this stage of the proceedings, the Prosecution

shall not call any of the three additional witnesses within the first month of the trial proceedings,

without leave of the Trial Chamber and without having heard the Defence,

¹ Prosecution's Notice of Filing Revised and Updates Witness List and Rule 65 ter Summaries, filed under seal 31 March

² Prosecution's Amended, Redacted Witness Summaries Pursuant to Rule 65 ter (E)(ii), 8 November 2002.

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Decision on Prosecution's Second Motion for Leave to Amend Witness List, 20 March 2003; Decision on Prosecution's Motion for Leave to Supplement Witness List, 18 February 2003;

REMINDING the Prosecution of its disclosure obligations under Rule 66(A)(ii) of the Rules of the Tribunal,

PURSUANT TO Rules 65 ter and 73,

HEREBY GRANTS the Motion and FURTHER ORDERS that:

- 1) The Prosecution file a revised witness list by 17 April 2003, which shall include:
 - a) Whether the witness will testify viva voce;
 - b) Whether the witness is a proposed 92 bis (B) witness;
 - c) Whether the witness is a proposed 92 bis (D) witness;
 - d) Whether the witness is a proposed 94 bis witness;
 - e) Whether the witness testified in Prosecutor v. Radislav Krstić (Case No. IT-98-33-T); and
 - f) Recalling various decisions related to protective measures for witnesses who testified in Prosecutor v. Radislav Krstić and the ensuing obligation to ensure that the same degree of protection as the witnesses enjoyed in that case is provided in the current case,⁴ whether the witness was granted protective measures pursuant to Rule 75 in Prosecutor v. Radislav Krstić, and if so, what form of protection; and
- The Prosecution fulfil its obligations under Rule 66(A)(ii) in relation to the additional witnesses by 23 April 2003.

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

Judge Liu Daqun

Presiding

Dated this sixteenth day of April 2003, At The Hague The Netherlands

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Order for Protective Measures and Non-Disclosure to the Public, 18 February 2003; Prosecutor v. Radislav Krstić, Case No. IT-98-33-T, Decision on Prosecution's Request to Disclose Closed Session Testimony and Under Seal Exhibits from Case No. IT-98-33-T, filed confidentially on 1 October 2001; Prosecutor v. Radislav Krstić, Case No. IT-98-33-A, Decision on Prosecution Request to Disclose, filed confidentially on 11 July 2002.