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-03-73-PT

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IN TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

Judge Kevin Parker, Pre-Trial Judge

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

Decision:

26 May 2004

PROSECUTOR

v.

IVAN ČERMAK MLADEN MARKAČ

DECISION RELATING TO PROSECUTOR'S DISCLOSURE OBLIGATIONS

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Ms. Carla Del Ponte

Mr. Mark Ierace

Counsel for the Accused:

Mr. Čedo Prodanović and Ms. Jadranka Sloković for Ivan Čermak

Mr. Miroslav Šeparović and Mr. Goran Mikuličić for Mladen Markač

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1. This decision is made by Judge Kevin Parker, the designated Pre-Trial Judge in this matter

by virtue of an order of Trial Chamber II dated 31 March 2004.

- 2. The decision is in respect of a "Joint Motion for Order Regarding Prosecutor's Obligation to Disclose Supporting Material," filed jointly for Ivan Čermak and Mladen Markač ("Defence") on 13 May 2004 ("Motion"), in which the Defence requests that the Trial Chamber order the Prosecutor to issue a certificate when disclosure of the supporting material and prior statements of the Accused is completed.
- 3. The Prosecutor's response to the Motion, filed on 19 May 2004, contends that the Defence has been provided with copies of all documents which are required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 66(A)(i) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"), except for a transcript of video recordings of Mladen Markač's prior interview with the Office of the Prosecutor. The Prosecutor further requests that the documents in Annexes A and B to the Prosecution Response, being among the documents provided to the Defence, be kept under seal of confidentiality as they contain identifying information.
 - 4. Pursuant to Rule 66 (A)(i) of the Rules the Prosecutor is required to provide the Defence *inter alia* with copies of all prior statements of the accused; and pursuant to Rule 43(vi) audio or video recordings of interviews of a suspect with the Office of the Prosecutor are to be transcribed if the suspect becomes an accused. It is the position, therefore, that disclosure under Rule 66(A)(i) has not been completed until the Prosecutor provides the Defence with written statements of all the Accuseds' prior interviews with the Office of the Prosecutor.

In the circumstances, pursuant to Rule 65ter (C) and Rule 54, I HEREBY ORDER

- (A) The Prosecutor to notify the Defence and the Trial Chamber of the date it completes its disclosure obligations pursuant to Rule 66(A)(i) of the Rules;
- (B) There shall be no public disclosure of the documents in Annex A and Annex B of the Prosecutor's Response.

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

Dated this twenty-sixth day of May 2004 At The Hague The Netherlands

> Judge Kevin Parker Pre-Trial Judge

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