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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 No.: IT-02-54-T

Date:

24 January 2005

Original:

**English** 

### IN THE TRIAL CHAMBER

**Before:** Judge Patrick Robinson, Presiding

> Judge O-Gon Kwon **Judge Iain Bonomy**

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

Order of:

24 January 2005

### **PROSECUTOR**

v.

# SLOBODAN MILOŠEVIĆ

ORDER UNDER RULE 15 bis TO SIT IN THE ABSENCE OF A JUDGE

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The Accused

Slobodan Milošević

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**THIS 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 ("International Tribunal"),

**HAVING ORDERED** orally that the Trial Chamber will, in the interests of justice, sit today in the absence of Judge Bonomy for part of the court session, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 15 *bis* (A) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the International Tribunal ("Rules"),

**NOTING** the provisions of Rule 15 bis (A) of the Rules, which provide as follows:

- (A) If
  - (i) a Judge is, for illness or other urgent personal reasons, or for reasons of authorised Tribunal business, unable to continue sitting in a part-heard case for a period which is likely to be of short duration, and
  - (ii) the remaining Judges of the Chamber are satisfied that it is in the interests of justice to do so,

those remaining Judges of the Chamber may order that the hearing of the case continue in the absence of that Judge for a period of not more than five working days.

#### PURSUANT TO RULE 15 bis of the Rules

**HEREBY CONFIRMS** the Trial Chamber's ruling to sit in the absence of Judge Bonomy for part of the court session on 24 January 2005.

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

Judge Robinson

Presiding

Dated this twenty-fourth day of January 2005 At The Hague The Netherlands

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