# **BEFORE THE REFERRAL BENCH**

Before: Judge Alphons Orie, Presiding Judge O-Gon Kwon Judge Kevin Parker

Registrar: Mr. Hans Holthuis

Order of: 4 July 2006

### PROSECUTOR

v.

## MILAN LUKIĆ SREDOJE LUKIĆ

## **ORDER RE-SCHEDULING HEARING**

### **Office of the Prosecutor**

Ms. Carla Del Ponte Mr. Mark Harmon Ms. Susan Somers

### Counsel for Milan Lukić

Mr. Alan L. Yatvin

# Counsel for Sredoje Lukić

Mr. Đuro Čepić

### The Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina

*per*: The Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Netherlands, The Hague

### **The Government of Argentina**

per: The Embassy of Argentina to the Netherlands, The Hague

**THE REFERRAL BENCH** 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");

**NOTING** the "Request by the Prosecutor under Rule 11 *bis*", filed on 1 February 2005 ("Referral Request"), in which the Prosecution requests the referral of the case against Sredoje Lukić and Milan Lukić to the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina pursuant to Rule 11 *bis* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Tribunal ("Rules");

**NOTING** the "Order for Written Submissions and Scheduling Order for Hearing", issued on 30 June 2006 ("Original Scheduling Order"), in which the Referral Bench ordered the parties, and invited the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina, to file written submissions in respect of the Referral Request by 10 July 2006; and ordered the parties, and invited the Governments of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Argentina, to appear at a hearing scheduled for 12 July 2006 to make oral submissions;

**BEING SEISED OF** the "Motion of Defence Counsel for Milan Lukić to Amend Scheduling Order for Hearing", filed on 3 July 2006, in which Counsel for Milan Lukić requests a postponement of the hearing due to Counsel's own pre-arranged travel plans;

**CONSIDERING** that it is in the interests of justice to postpone the hearing until 16 August 2006, and to postpone the deadline for further written submissions until 9 August 2006;

## **PURSUANT TO** Rules 11 *bis*(H) and 54 of the Rules,

### **HEREBY ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1. The Referral Bench orders the parties, and invites the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina, to file the written submissions referred to in paragraph 1 of the Disposition of the Original Scheduling Order by Wednesday, 9 August 2006.
- 2. The hearing originally scheduled for 12 July 2006 is re-scheduled for Wednesday, 16 August 2006, at 2:15 p.m. in Courtroom II, at the seat of the Tribunal in The Hague. The Referral Bench orders the parties to attend and make oral submissions, and invites the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina to attend and make oral submissions.
- 3. The Referral Bench invites the Government of Argentina to attend the hearing on Wednesday, 16 August 2006 to indicate whether it shares the provisional view of the Bench, detailed in the Original Scheduling Order, about the intended effect of the decision of the Federal Court of Argentina of 10 January 2006 ordering the surrender of Milan Lukić to the Tribunal ("Argentine Decision").<sup>1</sup>
- 4. The Registry shall transmit this Order immediately to the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina and to the Government of Argentina.

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

Alphons Orie Presiding

Dated this fourth day of July 2006 At The Hague The Netherlands

[Seal of the Tribunal]

Original Scheduling Order, p. 3.

In the Original Scheduling Order, the Referral Bench expressed the provisional view that

the Argentine Decision intends that the Tribunal should try Milan Lukić at the seat of the Tribunal for the acts referred to in the present Indictment, either on the present or equivalent charges, or that the Tribunal may exercise its powers, pursuant to the Statute of the Tribunal, Rule 11 *bis* of the Rules, and Resolutions 1534 (2004) and 1503 (2003) of the Security Council of the United Nations, to refer Milan Lukić for trial by a national court with appropriate jurisdiction, but should not, without prior authorisation of the State of Argentina, refer Milan Lukić in order for him to be charged, prosecuted, or harassed for previous acts that are different from those constituting the crimes for which he was surrendered to this Tribunal, or equivalent crimes[.]