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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-95-14-R77.6

Date:

11 September 2006

Original:

English

BEFORE A JUDGE OF A TRIAL CHAMBER

Before:

Judge Christine Van Den Wyngaert

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

Decision:

11 September 2006

PROSECUTOR

v.

DOMAGOJ MARGETIĆ

DECISION ON REVIEW OF INDICTMENT AND ORDER FOR NON-DISCLOSURE

The Office of the Prosecutor:

The Republic of Croatia:

Ms. Carla Del Ponte Ms. Ann Sutherland

per: Embassy of the Republic of Croatia to the Netherlands

I, Christine Van Den Wyngaert, permanent Judge of the International Criminal 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");

HAVING BEEN DESIGNATED as the reviewing Judge by the President of the International

Tribunal pursuant to Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules") on

4 September 2006;

BEING SEISED of the "Prosecutor's Motion for Confirmation of the Indictment and an Order for

Non-disclosure and Request to the Registrar" ("Motion"), filed ex parte and confidentially by the

Office of the Prosecutor ("Prosecution") on 4 September 2006;

NOTING the "Prosecutor's Additional Submissions on Confirmation of the Indictment", filed ex

parte and confidentially by the Prosecution on 8 September 2006 in compliance with my Order of

6 September 2006;¹

NOTING that an indictment ("Indictment") was filed ex parte and confidentially on

30 August 2006 charging Domagoj Margetić with one count of contempt of the Tribunal pursuant

to Rule 77(A), 77(A)(ii) and 77(A)(iv) of the Rules, and that material in support of the allegations

in the Indictment was filed on 17 August 2006 ("Supporting Material");

NOTING that the Prosecution requests (i) pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules, confirmation of the

Indictment; (ii) pursuant to Rule 53 of the Rules, non-disclosure of the Supporting Material to the

public until further Order; (iii) service of the confirmed Indictment on the authorities of the

Republic of Croatia and on Domagoj Margetić;

NOTING Article 19 of the Statute of the Tribunal and Rule 47 of the Rules, which require the

judge to whom an indictment has been transmitted to review it and, if he or she is satisfied that a

prima facie case has been established, confirm it;

NOTING that Domagoj Margetić is alleged to have committed contempt of the Tribunal under

Rule 77(A), 77(A)(ii) and 77(A)(iv) of the Rules by publishing the names of protected witnesses in

the *Blaškić* case on the internet between 7 July 2006 and 2 August 2006;

HAVING REVIEWED the Indictment and the Supporting Material;

Order on the Prosecutor's Motion for Confirmation of the Indictment, 6 September 2006 (ex parte and confidential).

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CONSIDERING that a prima facie case against Domagoj Margetić has been established in respect

of the crime with which he is charged in the Indictment;

CONSIDERING that the Supporting Material contains sensitive information regarding protected

witnesses;

CONSIDERING that there is a prevailing interest that the information contained in the Supporting

Material not be disclosed to the public;

PURSUANT to Article 19 of the Statute and Rules 47 and 53 of the Rules;

HEREBY CONFIRM the Indictment and

ORDER as follows:

(1) The confidentiality of the Indictment shall be lifted, but there shall be no public disclosure

of the supporting material until further Order.

(2) The Registrar of the Tribunal is requested send a copy of the Indictment, accompanied by

the text of Rules 42 and 43 of the Rules, to the authorities of the Republic of Croatia, so that the

Indictment can be served on Domagoj Margetić without undue delay and a written report

confirming such service can be returned to the Tribunal.

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

Dated this eleventh day of September 2006

At The Hague

The Netherlands

Christine Van Den Wyngaert Judge of the Tribunal

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