



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-03-72-A  
Date: 24 August 2007  
Original: English

**THE PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL**

**Before: Judge Fausto Pocar, President**  
**Registrar: Mr. Hans Holthuis**  
**Order of: 24 August 2007**

**THE PROSECUTOR**

v.

**MILAN BABIĆ**  
***PUBLIC***

**ORDER ASSIGNING A CASE TO A TRIAL CHAMBER**

**Office of the Prosecutor**

Ms. Carla Del Ponte

**I, FAUSTO POCAR**, President 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”),

**RECALLING** that Milan Babić was an accused before this International Tribunal whose sentence of 13 years’ imprisonment was affirmed by the Appeals Chamber on 18 July 2005<sup>1</sup> and that he was subsequently transferred to serve his sentence;

**FURTHER RECALLING** that Milan Babić died in the custody of the United Nations Detention Unit (“UNDU”) on Sunday, 5 March 2006, while in The Hague for purposes of testifying in the *Prosecutor v. Milan Martić* case;<sup>2</sup>

**NOTING** the “Motion to Lift Seal on the Joint Motions to Consider Plea Agreement between Milan Babić and the Office of the Prosecutor under Rule 62ter” filed confidentially by the Prosecution on 21 August 2007 (“Motion”);

**CONSIDERING** that the Motion was filed before me in the absence of the Trial Chamber as originally composed;<sup>3</sup>

**NOTING** the “Order Assigning a Case to a Trial Chamber,” of 26 November 2003 which assigned this case to Trial Chamber I;

**NOTING** that Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the International Tribunal authorizes the President of the International Tribunal to coordinate the work of the Chambers;

**CONSIDERING** the trial management and case distribution needs of the International Tribunal;

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<sup>1</sup> *Prosecutor v. Milan Babić*, Case No. IT-03-72-A, Judgement on Sentencing Appeal, 18 July 2005.

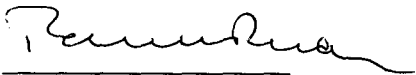
<sup>2</sup> Case No. IT-95-11.

<sup>3</sup> Motion, para. 3.

**HEREBY ASSIGN**, effective immediately, Case No. IT-03-72-A, *Prosecutor v. Milan Babić*, to Trial Chamber I.

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

Done this 24th day of August 2007,  
At The Hague,  
The Netherlands.

  
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Judge Fausto Pocar  
President

**[Seal of the International Tribunal]**