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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-03-67-PT

Date: 17 October 2007

ENGLISH

Original: French

BEFORE THE PRE-TRIAL JUDGE

Before: Judge Jean-Claude Antonetti

Registrar: Mr Hans Holthuis

Order of: 17 October 2007

THE PROSECUTOR

V.

VOJISLAV ŠEŠELJ

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

ORDER EXTENDING TIME-LIMIT

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Ms Christine Dahl

The Accused:

Mr Vojislav Šešelj

I, Jean-Claude Antonetti, Judge 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");

PROPRIO MOTU

CONSIDERING that in accordance with the "Decision on Submission Number 311 Requesting that Chamber III Clarify the Prosecution's Pre-Trial Brief", rendered on 20 September 2007 ("Decision on Submission 311"), the pre-trial Judge ordered Vojislav Šešelj ("Accused") to file his written submissions pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* (F) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules") no later than 16 October 2007;

CONSIDERING that pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* (F) of the Rules, the time-limit set by the pre-trial Judge must be no less than three weeks before the date of the pre-trial conference and that the pre-trial conference in the present case has been scheduled for 6 November 2007;¹

CONSIDERING nevertheless that the pre-trial Judge was informed by the Court Management and Support Services Section that due to exceptional circumstances, the Accused received the Decision on Submission 311 in a language he understands only on 17 October 2007;

CONSIDERING therefore that the time-limit will be extended in order to permit the Accused to file his written submissions pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* (F) within a reasonable time, noting that for these reasons alone the time-limit of three weeks before the date of the pre-trial conference will not be respected in this case;

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¹ Scheduling Order, 18 September 2007, p. 2.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS

PURSUANT TO Rule 54 of the Rules,

ORDER the Accused to file, no later than 31 October 2007, his written submissions pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* (F) addressing factual and legal issues, and including a written statement setting out:

- (i) in general terms, the nature of his defence;
- (ii) the matters in the Pre-Trial Brief with which he takes issue; and
- (iii) in the case of each such matter, the reason why he takes issue with it.

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

/signed/

Jean-Claude Antonetti

Pre-Trial Judge

Done this seventeenth day of October 2007

At The Hague

The Netherlands

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