



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-04-74-T
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IN TRIAL CHAMBER III

Before: Judge Jean-Claude Antonetti
Judge Árpád Prandler
Judge Stefan Trechsel
Reserve Judge Antoine Kesia-Mbe Mindua

Registrar: Mr Hans Holthuis

Decision of: 22 February 2008

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

Jadranko PRLIĆ
Bruno STOJIĆ
Slobodan PRALJAK
Milivoj PETKOVIĆ
Valentin ĆORIĆ
Berislav PUŠIĆ

PUBLIC

**DECISION ON THE AGENDA OF THE STATUS CONFERENCES OF 17
AND 26 MARCH 2008**

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Mr Kenneth Scott
Mr Douglas Stringer

Counsel for the Accused:

Mr Michael Karnavas and Ms Suzana Tomanović for Jadranko Prlić
Ms Senka Nožica and Mr Karim A. A. Khan for Bruno Stojić
Mr Božidar Kovačić and Ms Nika Pinter for Slobodan Praljak
Ms Vesna Alaburić and Mr Nicholas Stewart for Milivoj Petković
Ms Dijana Tomašegović-Tomić and Mr Dražen Plavec for Valentin Ćorić
Mr Fahrudin Ibrišimović and Mr Roger Sahota for Berislav Pušić

TRIAL CHAMBER III (“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 (“Tribunal”),

PROPRIO MOTU,

NOTING the Decision on Motion for Extension of Time for the Commencement of the Defence Case and Adopting a New Schedule, rendered on 28 January 2008 (“Decision of 28 January 2008”), in which the Chamber, *inter alia*, decided to hold two meetings pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“Rules”) on 10 and 26 March 2008,

NOTING the Scheduling Order rendered on 14 February 2008 (“Order of 14 February 2008”) in which the Chamber decided to change the date of the first meeting and postponed it to 17 March 2008,

NOTING the Joint Notice of Waiver of Right to Attend Status Conferences, filed confidentially by Counsel for the Accused Jadranko Prlić, Bruno Stojić, Slobodan Praljak, Milivoj Petković and Valentin Ćorić on 11 February 2008, in which the Accused waived their right to be present at the two meetings scheduled by the Chamber pursuant to Rule 65 *ter* of the Rules,

CONSIDERING that the Chamber finds it necessary to hold status conferences in order to prepare the Pre-Defence Conference pursuant to Rule 73 *ter* of the Rules and plan the course of the Defence case in order to ensure an expeditious and fair trial,

CONSIDERING that according to the Chamber, these two meetings will make it possible to discuss issues regarding the filing of the Rule 65 *ter* (G) lists and the course of the Defence case,

CONSIDERING that the Chamber finds it necessary to communicate to the Parties the agenda for the meetings set for 17 and 26 March 2008,

CONSIDERING that since the Accused are represented by their Counsel, the Chamber does not find it necessary for them to attend the meetings on 17 and 26 March 2008,

CONSIDERING that since the presentation of the Defence case will be discussed, the Chamber nonetheless invites the Accused to attend these meetings,

CONSIDERING finally that the Chamber also invites representatives of the Office of the Prosecutor to attend the meetings, particularly in order to submit their arguments concerning the allocation of time for the cross-examination of Defence witnesses,

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS,

PURSUANT TO Rules 54, 65 *ter* and 73 *ter* of the Rules,

ADOPTS the agenda attached in annex to this decision.

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

/signed/

Jean-Claude Antonetti
Presiding Judge

Done this twenty-second day of February 2008
At The Hague
The Netherlands

[Seal of the Tribunal]

ANNEX

Agenda of the 65 *ter* Meetings

1. Date of the opening statements pursuant to Rule 84 of the Rules
2. The time needed by the Defence to presents its evidence and the distribution of time among the different Defence teams
3. The allocation of time for the cross-examination of Defence witnesses by the Prosecution and by the other accused
4. The number of expert witnesses, *viva voce/92 bis/ 92 ter* and *92 quater* witnesses that the Defence intends to present
5. The presentation of joint witnesses (particularly expert witnesses)
6. The application of Rule 85 (C) of the Rules (testimony by the Accused)
7. Deadlines for the translation and disclosure of expert reports
8. Taking statements pursuant to Rules *92 bis* and *ter*
9. The translation of documents on the *65 ter* (G) lists
10. The obligation to disclose documents to the Chamber on the *65 ter* (G) lists in hard copy and in binders following the example of the Prosecution when it presented its case
11. Miscellaneous