

**UNITED  
NATIONS**



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 Nos. IT-04-79-PT  
IT-99-36/2-I  
Date: 15 July 2008  
Original: English

**IN TRIAL CHAMBER II**

**Before: Judge Ole Bjørn Støle, Pre-Trial Judge**

**Registrar: Mr. Hans Holthuis**

**Order of: 15 July 2008**

**PROSECUTOR v. MIĆO STANIŠIĆ  
PROSECUTOR v. STOJAN ŽUPLJANIN**

***PUBLIC***

**ORDER ON PROSECUTION'S REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO  
EXCEED WORD LIMIT FOR MOTION FOR JOINDER AND  
FOR LEAVE TO CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND  
INDICTMENTS**

**The Office of the Prosecutor:**

Ms. Anna Richterova

**Counsel for the Accused:**

Slobodan Zečević and Slobodan Cvijetić for Mićo Stanišić  
Tomislav Višnić for Stojan Župljanin

I, Judge Ole Bjørn Støle, Judge at 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”) and Pre-Trial Judge in these proceedings,

**NOTING** “Prosecution’s Request for Leave to Exceed Word Limit for Prosecution’s Motion for Joinder and for Leave to Consolidate and Amend Indictments” filed on 4 July 2007 (“Request”), whereby the Prosecution requests to exceed the maximum word limit for a motion for joinder of accused and for leave to consolidate and amend indictments (“Motion for Joinder”) that it intends to file,

**NOTING** that the Practice Direction provides, *inter alia*, that motions will not exceed 3,000 words and that a party must seek authorization in advance from the Chamber to exceed the word limits in the Practice Direction and must provide an explanation of the exceptional circumstances that necessitate the oversized filing,<sup>1</sup>

**NOTING** that in the Request the Prosecution submits that the Motion for Joinder it intends to file requires an extensive analysis of the cases sought to be joined, including a discussion of the effect which such joinder might have on, *inter alia*, the presentation of evidence, judicial economy and the time of commencement and completion of trial,

**NOTING** further that the Prosecution also intends to seek the consolidation of the Indictments against the Accused Mićo Stanišić and Stojan Župljanin and to present its arguments regarding this matter in the Motion for Joinder it intends to file,

**NOTING** that, in the circumstances, the filing of the oversized Motion for Joinder will not result in prejudice to the Defence for the Accused Mićo Stanišić and the Defence for the Accused Stojan Župljanin,

**CONSIDERING** that the matters the Prosecution intends to raise in its Motion for Joinder are of high complexity and

**BEING SATISFIED** that the Prosecution demonstrated the existence of exceptional circumstances necessitating the oversized filing,

For the foregoing reasons, **PURSUANT TO** Rule 54 of the Rules and the Practice Direction,

**GRANT** the Motion, and

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<sup>1</sup> Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions, paras 5 and 7.

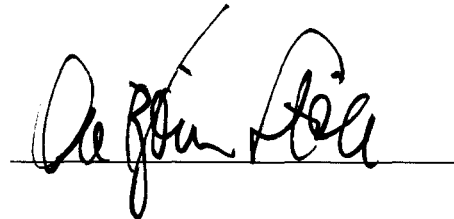
**AUTHORIZE** the Prosecution to file a Motion for Joinder not exceeding 6,000 words.

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

Dated this fifteenth day of July 2008

At The Hague

The Netherlands

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ole Bjørn Støle', written over a horizontal line.

Judge Ole Bjørn Støle  
Pre-Trial Judge

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