Case No.

IT-00-39-A



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

Date:

20 August 2008

Original:

**English** 

## BEFORE THE PRE-APPEAL JUDGE

Before:

Judge Theodor Meron, Pre-Appeal Judge

Registrar:

Mr. Hans Holthuis

**Decision:** 

20 August 2008

**PROSECUTOR** 

v.

# MOMČILO KRAJIŠNIK

#### **PUBLIC**

### DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION TO STRIKE

### The Office of the Prosecutor:

Mr. Peter Kremer QC

The Appellant pro se:

Mr. Momčilo Krajišnik

### **Counsel for the Appellant on the Matter of JCE:**

Mr. Alan M. Dershowitz

Amicus Curiae:

Mr. Colin Nicholls QC

I, THEODOR MERON, Judge of the Appeals 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 ("Appeals Chamber" and

"Tribunal", respectively) and Pre-Appeal Judge in the present case,

BEING SEIZED of the Prosecution's "Urgent Motion to Strike", filed on 19 August 2008;

NOTING the Prosecution's contention that the Appellant's submission "References from the

Krajišnik's Appeal [sic] Against the Trial Judgment Prepared for the Hearing Scheduled 21 August

2008", filed on 18 August 2008, contains further argumentation, rather than merely references, and

therefore should be struck;

**NOTING** the "Krajisnik [sic] Response to Prosecution Urgent Motion to Strike", filed on 20

August 2008, in which the Appellant argues that his filing of 18 August 2008 provided only

appropriate references and merely summarized earlier arguments from his briefs;

CONSIDERING that the Appellant's submission of 18 August 2008 was, in fact, a courtesy in

response to a Prosecution request, namely: "If Counsel intends to make additional specific

challenges during the hearing, he is invited to provide the Prosecution with these references in

advance so that the Prosecution can provide a response";<sup>1</sup>

**CONSIDERING** that the Appeals Chamber will view the filing only for the permissible purpose of

providing references and will not regard it as a supplemental brief;

**HEREBY DENIES** the Motion.

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

Dated this 20th day of August 2008,

At The Hague, The Netherlands.

Judge Theodor Meron Pre-Appeal Judge

[Seal of the Tribunal]

<sup>1</sup> See Prosecution Response to Counsel Motion on Behalf of Krajišnik Dated 6 August 2008, filed on 8 August 2008, para. 3.