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Case No.: IT-95-5/18-T

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IN THE TRIAL CHAMBER

Before: Judge O-Gon Kwon, Presiding Judge

> Judge Howard Morrison Judge Melville Baird

Judge Flavia Lattanzi, Reserve Judge

Registrar: Mr. John Hocking

Order of: **15 December 2010**

PROSECUTOR

v.

RADOVAN KARADŽIĆ

CONFIDENTIAL

SECOND INVITATION TO CROATIA REGARDING MOTION FOR SUBPOENA OF MIROSLAV TUĐMAN

Office of the Prosecutor

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Ms. Hildegard Uertz-Retzlaff

The Government of Croatia

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The Hague

The Accused **Standby Counsel**

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THIS TRIAL 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");

BEING SEISED OF the Accused's "Motion for Subpoena to Interview: Miroslav Tuđman" filed on 6 September 2010 ("Motion") in which the Accused requests, pursuant to Rule 54 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"), that the Chamber issue a subpoena to

Miroslav Tudman, former director of the Croatian Intelligence Service, compelling him to

submit to an interview by the Accused's legal adviser;¹

RECALLING the Accused's "Motion for Binding Order: Government of Croatia" filed on

11 September 2009 ("Binding Order Motion"), which is still pending before the Trial Chamber

and in which the Accused requests that the Chamber direct the Republic of Croatia ("Croatia")

to provide him with a number of documents;²

RECALLING further that the Accused's legal adviser stated, in private session, during the

Status Conference of 3 September 2010, that the Accused was not satisfied with the documents

delivered to him by Croatia and that he would be making a motion to subpoena Miroslav

Tudman for an interview with the Accused's defence team because he believes that Miroslav

Tudman has information pertaining to the existence and location of the documents he has

requested from Croatia;³

NOTING that, in the Motion, the Accused outlines the steps he took to arrange an interview

with Miroslav Tudman, which were ultimately unsuccessful, and attaches a letter from Croatia,

sent to him on 22 July 2009, informing him that it was not Croatia's practice to organise such

interviews;4

NOTING that the Office of the Prosecutor has, on 7 September 2010, informed the Chamber

and the Accused, via email, that it does not intend to respond to the Motion;

¹ Motion, paras. 1, 22–23.

² Binding Order Motion, para. 1.

³ Status Conference, T. 6138 (line 9)–6139 (3 September 2010).

⁴ Motion, paras. 5–9, Annex C.

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NOTING that, on the Chamber's invitation,⁵ Croatia responded to the Motion on 30 September 2010, stating that it is for the defence to organise interviews with potential witnesses, but also that "if Miroslav Tuđman were questioned about matters relating to his former duty as Director of the Croatian Intelligence Service, that is, a former state official, different modalities would apply";⁶

NOTING that, on 18 November 2010, the Presiding Judge sent a confidential letter to Miroslav Tuđman ("Letter"), informing him of the Motion and inviting him to (i) reconsider his refusal to submit for an interview with the Accused's legal adviser and (ii) inform the Chamber if he was not willing to do so;⁷

NOTING that, on 2 December 2010, "Mr. Miroslav Tuđman's Response to the Trial Chamber's Correspondence of 18 November 2010" ("Response") was filed on a confidential basis, indicating, *inter alia*, that Miroslav Tuđman would be subject to criminal prosecution in Croatia were he to submit to an interview and reveal information he may have learned *ex officio* and that, therefore, he would only agree to being interviewed by the Croatian authorities on the issues which are of interest to the Accused; it would then be for those authorities to disclose the results of such an interview;⁸

NOTING that, on 7 December 2010, the Accused filed, with the permission of the Chamber, his confidential "Reply to the Filing of Miroslav Tudjman" ("Reply") indicating that he objects to the solution proposed in the Response on the basis that the interview would be "more effectively conducted by [the Accused's legal adviser], in the presence of a representative of the government of Croatia"; 10

NOTING also that, in the Reply, the Accused suggests that the Chamber inquire with Croatia whether it would be willing to authorise Miroslav Tuđman to disclose "what may otherwise be state secrets" relating to the issues raised in the Binding Order Motion and, if so, to indicate the

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⁵ Invitation to Croatia Regarding Motion for Subpoena of Miroslav Tuđman, 8 September 2010.

⁶ Confidential Correspondence from Croatia, 30 September 2010, p. 2.

⁷ Confidential Letter to Miroslav Tuđman, 18 November 2010.

⁸ Response, paras. 5–8, 17–22.

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modalities it may wish to request under Rule 54 bis and/or Rule 70 of the Rules, for the

provision of this information;¹¹

CONSIDERING that Croatia has already indicated to the Chamber¹² and to Miroslav Tuđman¹³

that it would be unwilling to authorise disclosure of information he has obtained in his official

capacity as Director of the Croatian Intelligence Service;

CONSIDERING, however, that the Accused is proposing to conduct an interview of Miroslav

Tudman, through his legal adviser, in the presence of a representative of Croatia and is ready to

comply with any modalities that may be requested by Croatia pursuant to Rule 54bis and/or

Rule 70;

CONSIDERING also that it is in the interests of all parties involved that requests for

documents are, if possible, dealt with on a voluntary basis;

CONSIDERING finally the Chamber's view that in light of these circumstances it would be

assisted by hearing from Croatia on the issues raised in the Response and Reply;

PURSUANT TO Rule 54 of the Rules,

HEREBY

a. INVITES Croatia to respond to the Reply, indicating whether it agrees to the

interview of Miroslav Tudman being conducted in the manner proposed by the

Accused, and to make any pertinent comments on the Response, by close of business

on 7 January 2011; and

⁹ Hearing, T. 9370 (7 December 2010) (private session).

¹⁰ Reply, paras. 6–8.

11 Reply, para. 9.

¹² Confidential Correspondence from Croatia, 30 September 2010, p. 2.

¹³ Response, para. 5.

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b. **REQUESTS** the Registry to provide the following filings to Croatia, namely: the Letter, the Response, and the Reply.

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

Judge O-Gon Kwon, Presiding

Dated this fifteenth day of December 2010 At The Hague The Netherlands

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