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	International Tribunal for the	Case No.	IT-04-84 <i>bis</i> -T
	Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law	Date:	8 May 2012
	Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991	Original:	English

IN TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before:

UNITED NATIONS

> Judge Bakone Justice Moloto, Presiding Judge Burton Hall Judge Guy Delvoie

Registrar:

Decision:

Mr. John Hocking

8 May 2012

PROSECUTOR

v.

RAMUSH HARADINAJ IDRIZ BALAJ LAHI BRAHIMAJ

PUBLIC

SCHEDULING ORDER

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Mr. Paul Rogers

Counsel for the Accused:

Mr. Ben Emmerson QC and Mr. Rodney Dixon for Ramush Haradinaj Mr. Gregor Guy-Smith and Ms. Colleen Rohan for Idriz Balaj Mr. Richard Harvey and Mr. Paul Troop for Lahi Brahimaj **THIS TRIAL CHAMBER** ("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");

NOTING its Scheduling Order issued on 23 April 2012 by which the Chamber ordered that each of the Accused file written submissions, not later than 27 April 2012, indicating: (i) whether they intend to make submissions pursuant to Rule 98*bis* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules"), and (ii) whether they intend to present a defence case, and scheduled a status conference for 2 May 2012 to discuss the matters further;

NOTING that on 27 April 2012 the three Accused filed written submissions indicating that they do not intend to make submissions pursuant to Rule 98*bis* and, with the exception of Balaj who submitted that he might present a short defence case on issues related to certain medical documents, that they do not intend to present evidence in their defence¹;

NOTING that at the status conference held on 2 May 2012 counsel for Balaj submitted that he would notify the Chamber and the parties by Friday, 4 May 2012 whether he would seek to present the limited defence evidence announced on 27 April 2012;

CONSIDERING that at the status conference on 2 May 2012 the Chamber scheduled provisionally a hearing for 15 May 2012, should Balaj decide to present evidence in his defence;

CONSIDERING further that at the status conference on 2 May 2012 the Chamber made an oral order scheduling dates for submission of final trial briefs and for presentation of closing arguments;

NOTING that on 4 May 2012 Balaj notified the Chamber informally that he will not be presenting any *viva voce* testimony in his defence and that on 7 May 2012 he filed a written notification to this effect²;

For the foregoing reasons and pursuant to Rules 54, 85, and 86(A) and (B) of the Rules hereby:

- (i) **VACATES** the hearing provisionally scheduled for 15 May 2012;
- (ii) **ORDERS** that final trial briefs shall be filed not later than 11 June 2012 and that closing arguments shall be heard on 25 and 26 June 2012.

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¹ Prosecutor v Haradinaj et al, Case No. IT-04-84bis-T, Defence Notification on Behalf of Ramush Haradinaj on Rule 98bis Application and Defence Case, 27 April 2012; Prosecutor v Haradinaj et al, Case No. IT-04-84bis-T, Idriz Balaj's Submission in Response to the Trial Chamber's Scheduling Order of 23 April 2012, 27 April 2012; Prosecutor

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

Judge Bakone Justice Moloto Presiding Judge

Dated this eighth day of May 2012 At The Hague The Netherlands

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v Haradinaj et al, Case No. IT-04-84bis-T, Submission on Behalf of Lahi Brahimaj pursuant to Scheduling Order, 27 April 2012. ² *Prosecutor v Haradinaj et al*, Case No. IT-04-84bis-T, Notification, 7 May 2012.