## 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 No.

IT-03-67-T

Date:

23 April 2015

Original:

English

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL

Before:

Judge Theodor Meron, President

Registrar:

Mr. John Hocking

Decision of:

23 April 2015

**PROSECUTOR** 

 $\mathbf{v}_{\scriptscriptstyle{\bullet}}$ 

VOJISLAV ŠEŠELJ

**PUBLIC** 

DECISION ON MOTION REFERRED TO THE PRESIDENT IN "DECISION ON 'MOTION TO INSTIGATE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST CARLA DEL PONTE"

## Office of the Prosecutor:

Mr. Mathias Marcussen

## The Accused:

Vojislav Šešelj

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I, THEODOR MERON, President 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 the confidential "Motion to Instigate Proceedings against Carla del Ponte" filed by

Mr. Vojislav Šešelj ("Šešelj") on 16 October 2013 ("Motion");

NOTING the confidential "Order regarding a Motion for the Initiation of Contempt Proceedings"

rendered by the President of the Tribunal on 11 November 2013 ("Order"), assigning the Motion

to the bench hearing the proceedings in *Prosecutor v. Vojislav Šešelj*, Case No. IT-03-67-T

("Trial Chamber");1

**NOTING** the "Decision on 'Motion to Instigate Proceedings against Carla del Ponte" rendered by

the Trial Chamber on 16 June 2014, 2 declining to consider the Motion on the basis that the Trial

Chamber is not competent in view of the fact that the Mechanism for International Criminal

Tribunals ("Mechanism") is responsible for the residual work of the Tribunal after 1 June 2013

and referring the Motion back to myself for appropriate action;<sup>3</sup>

CONSIDERING that the Trial Chamber found that the Motion falls outside the competence of

the Tribunal:4

HEREBY DISMISS the Motion without prejudice to Šešelj filing a motion before the

Mechanism.

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

Done this 23rd April 2015,

At The Hague,

The Netherlands.

Judge Theodor Meron

President

[Seal of the Tribunal]

Order, p. 1.

Décision relative à une requête aux fins d'ouverture d'une procédure pour outrage contra Carla del Ponte, 16 June 2014 ("Decision"). An English translation of the Decision was filed on 21 April 2015.

<sup>3</sup> See Decision, pp. 2-3.