



SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

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THE REGISTRAR

Trial Chamber: Judge Benjamin Mutanga Itoe, Presiding Judge
Judge Bankole Thompson
Judge Pierre Boutet

Registrar: Robin Vincent

Date: 15 June 2004

Prosecutor against Samuel Hinga Norman
Moinina Fofana
Allieu Kondewa
(Case No.SCSL-2004-14-T)

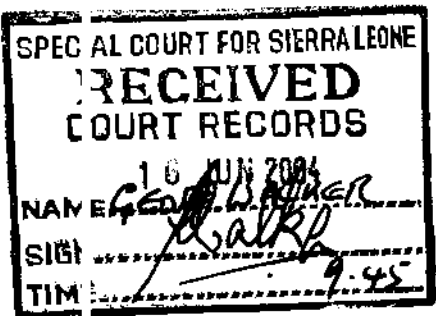
ORDER FOR ASSIGNMENT OF STANDBY COUNSEL FOR SAMUEL HINGA NORMAN

Office of the Prosecutor:
Lic Côté
Janet C. Johnson

Standby Counsel for Samuel Hinga Norman:
Ibrahim Yillah
Bu-Buakei Jabbi
John Wesley Hall
Quincy Whitaker
Tim Owen

Defence Counsel for Moinina Fofana:
Michiel Pestman

Defence Counsel for Allieu Kondewa:
Charles Margai



THE REGISTRAR,

NOTING the Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of Sierra Leone on the Establishment of a Special Court for Sierra Leone (“Agreement”), signed in Freetown on 16 January 2002, and the Statute of the Special Court for Sierra Leone annexed thereto (“Statute”);

NOTING Article 17 (4) (d) of the Statute which provides that “In the determination of any charge against the accused pursuant to the present Statute, he or she shall be entitled to the following minimum guarantees, in full equality: ... To be tried in his or her presence, and to defend himself or herself in person or through legal assistance of his or her own choosing; to be informed, if he or she does not have legal assistance, of this right; and to have legal assistance assigned to him or her, in any case where the interests of justice so require, and without payment by him or her in any such case if he or she does not have sufficient means to pay for it;”

NOTING the letter of Samuel Hinga Norman (“Accused”) dated 3 June 2004 and addressed to the Principal Defender in which the Accused states his decision to represent himself effective 3 June 2004;

CONSIDERING the Decision on the Application of Samuel Hinga Norman for Self Representation under Article 17 (4) (d) of the Statute of the Special Court issued by the Trial Chamber on 8 June 2004, by which the Trial Chamber ordered that “the right to self-representation solicited in this case by the 1st Accused, Samuel Hinga Norman, can only be exercised with the assistance of counsel to be assigned to the trial and in whatever capacity they are assigned or designated, stand-by or otherwise, without prejudice to the Registrar’s discretion to designate, if the 1st Accused so expresses his desire, Members of his former Defence Team, and this, in accordance with the provisions of Article 17 (4) (d) of the Statute of the Special Court, The Rules of Procedure and Evidence, and of the provisions of the Directive for the Assignment of Counsel promulgated by the Registrar of the Special Court on the 3rd of October, 2003;”

CONSIDERING the Consequential Order on Assignment and Role of Standby Counsel issued by the Trial Chamber on 14 June 2004 by which the Trial Chamber ordered the Registrar “to assign Standby Counsel for the assistance of the Accused” and further ordered the Registrar, “in consultation with the Principal Defender, to immediately assign on a temporary basis a member of the Defence Office, pending the assignment and effective presence at the proceedings of the Standby Defence Team, to assist the Accused as Standby Counsel;”

CONSIDERING my consultation with the Principal Defender on the foregoing;

ORDERS:

- (1) the assignment of Dr. Bu-Buakei Jabbi of Sierra Leone, Mr. John Wesley Hall of the United States, Ms. Quincy Whitaker of England and Mr. Tim Owen, Q.C. of England as Standby Counsel for the assistance of the Accused (“Standby Defence Team”); and

(2) the temporary assignment of Mr. Ibrahim Yillah, Counsel in the Defence Office as Standby Counsel pending the effective presence at the proceedings of the Standby Defence Team.



Robin Vincent
Registrar
15 June 2004

