

**THE CONTEMPT JUDGE**

Case No.: STL-14-05/PT/CJ
Before: Judge Nicola Lettieri, Contempt Judge
Registrar: Mr Daryl Mundis, Registrar
Date: 17 July 2014
Original language: English
Classification: Public

IN THE CASE AGAINST

**NEW TV S.A.L.
KARMA MOHAMED TAHSIN AL KHAYAT**

SCHEDULING ORDER

***Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor:**
Mr Kenneth Scott

**Counsel for *New TV S.A.L.* & Ms Karma
Khayat:**
Mr Karim A.A. Khan
Mr Rodney Dixon
Ms Maya Habli
Ms Shyamala Alagendra



1. On 16 June 2014, the Defence filed its motion challenging the jurisdiction of the Tribunal to hear cases of contempt with respect to legal persons.¹ By the same date, and pursuant to my call for *Amicus Curiae* briefs on the jurisdiction of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (“Tribunal”), I also received 18 submissions related to jurisdiction from a range of individuals and organizations in Lebanon and elsewhere, all of which are publicly available and accessible on the Tribunal’s website.

2. On 30 June 2014, the *Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor filed his response to the Defence Motion, asserting that the Tribunal has inherent jurisdiction to indict legal persons for contempt under Rule 60 *bis* and requesting that the motion be denied.² He also filed a consolidated response to the *Amicus Curiae* briefs.³

3. I consider that the legal issues raised are important for the Tribunal and the Lebanese public. Therefore, I have decided to issue my decision in an open hearing, during which I will read out a summary and provide the written full version of the ruling. The Accused may elect to be present but are not required to do so.

DISPOSITION

FOR THESE REASONS;

PURSUANT to Rule 60 *bis*:

I CONVENE a hearing in the courtroom, in public session, on Thursday 24 July at 15:00.

Done in Arabic, English and French, the English version being authoritative.

Dated 17 July 2014

Leidschendam, the Netherlands



Judge Nicola Lettieri
Contempt Judge



¹ F0037, Defence Preliminary Motion Challenging [sic] Jurisdiction, 16 June 2014 (“Defence Motion”).

² F0047, Response to “Defence Preliminary Motion Challenging Jurisdiction”, 30 June 2014.

³ F0048, Consolidated Response to *Amicus Curiae* Briefs, 30 June 2014.