

SPECIAL TRIBUNAL FOR LEBANON

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THE TRIAL CHAMBER

Case No:	STL-11-01/T/TC
Before:	Judge David Re, Presiding Judge Janet Nosworthy Judge Micheline Braidy Judge Walid Akoum, Alternate Judge Judge Nicola Lettieri, Alternate Judge
Registrar:	Mr Daryl Mundis
Date:	23 February 2015
Original language:	English
Classification:	Public

DECISION AUTHORISING PRH282'S TESTIMONY TO BE COMPLETED VIA VIDEO-CONFERENCE LINK

(Extract from Official Public Transcript of Hearing on 23 February 2015, page 3, line 1 to page 3, line 22)

Just a briefly oral decision in relation to video conference testimony for Witness 282, or Mr. Ghaleb Chammaa, who appeared at the Tribunal in Leidschendam to give his evidence between the 10th and 12th of February, 2015, but it wasn't possible to complete his cross-examination during the week.

The Prosecution has filed a request or a motion seeking a continuance of the witness's testimony by video-link from Beirut. The Chamber actually made that suggestion at the conclusion of the witness's evidence. The Chamber is satisfied that there was no objection from the Defence, nor the Legal Representatives of the Victims, and the Prosecution has submitted in its written motion that requiring Mr. Chammaa to attend -- to re-travel to the Netherlands would be unnecessarily burdensome as it would require him to leave his country, employment, and family again for several for several more days to testify in the Netherlands at the Tribunal.

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The Chamber is satisfied that it would be in the interests of justice to allow the witness to complete his testimony via video-link and we make the order.

And, Mr. Milne, I think we can do that next week, can't we?

MR. MILNE: Your Honour, I understand from Mr. Cameron that arrangements are being made to that effect, and that it's hoped the witness will be available. We understand that is looking very positive.

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