

**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

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**DECISION AUTHORISING PRH265'S TESTIMONY TO CONTINUE VIA VIDEO-  
CONFERENCE LINK**

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(Extract from Official Public Transcript of Hearing on 12 March 2015, page 113, line 16 to  
page 114, line 21)

PRESIDING JUDGE RE: We understand the Defence isn't opposing the Prosecution's application to continue or complete Dr. Youssef's evidence by video-conference link.

MR. YOUNG: Your Honour, that's right. We have no difficulty with that. I think the only counsel cross-examining, Your Honour, are myself and Mr. Edwards, I believe. And you have our time estimates.

[...]

Dr. Youssef, we apologise that we've had to -- we're going to have to call you back, but as you know, we had originally scheduled you for four days this week and we understand that you are unable to continue in Leidschendam tomorrow. Now, can we ask you to be on standby for either next Friday or the Friday after, depending on how we're going, and we will let you know the day before as to what the situation will be. That works for you, we trust?

THE WITNESS: [Interpretation] Thank you, Your Honour. Yes, it works for me. I will be on standby, as you have said, on the 20th and the 27th of March.

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PRESIDING JUDGE RE: Well, if things go according to plan, you won't need to be on standby on the 27th of March, just on the 19th so that we can call you on the 20th. So thank you very much for your patience and we wish you a safe return back to Beirut, and we'll see you on that huge screen which is behind you - it is very large - in a week or two weeks' time.

Having said that, I just want to make it clear that the Chamber is making a ruling under Rule 124. At the request of the Prosecution, we have decided that it's in the interests of justice that your testimony be continued by video-conference link next week. The main consideration being the convenience to you as a parliamentarian and the cost to the Tribunal of bringing you back again or paying for your airfare, accommodation, et cetera, next week or the week after.

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