

SPECIAL TRIBUNAL FOR LEBANON

المحكمة الخاصة بلبنان

TRIBUNAL SPÉCIAL POUR LE LIBAN

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: 21 September 2016

Original language: English

Classification: Public

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

**SALIM JAMIL AYYASH
HASSAN HABIB MERHI
HUSSEIN HASSAN ONEISSI
ASSAD HASSAN SABRA**

**DECISION ALLOWING TWO PARTICIPATING VICTIMS TO ATTEND
PROCEEDINGS IN THE COURTROOM**

Office of the Prosecutor:Mr Norman Farrell & Mr Alexander Hugh
Milne**Counsel for Mr Salim Jamil Ayyash:**Mr Emile Aoun, Mr Thomas Hannis &
Mr Chad Mair**Legal Representatives of****Participating Victims:**Mr Peter Haynes, Mr Mohammad F. Mattar
& Ms Nada Abdelsater-Abusamra**Counsel for Mr Hassan Habib Merhi:**Mr Mohamed Aouini, Ms Dorothée Le Fraper
du Hellen & Mr Jad Khalil**Counsel for Mr Hussein Hassan Oneissi:**Mr Vincent Courcelle-Labrousse, Mr Yasser
Hassan & Ms Natalie von Wistinghausen**Counsel for Mr Assad Hassan Sabra:**Mr David Young, Mr Guénaél Mettraux &
Mr Geoffrey Roberts

1. Public participating victims, Mr Mamdouh Mohammed Tarraf (Victim V046) and Mr Kamal Nasser (Victim V049) expressed their wish to be present during one or two public sessions in the courtroom on 27 and/or 28 September 2016. The Legal Representative of Victims filed a request to the Trial Chamber on their behalf.¹ None of the Parties object to this request.²

2. The Trial Chamber has previously issued general directions on the attendance of victims in the courtroom.³ The Trial Chamber underlines that the views and concerns of victims may be presented in court by their legal representatives, in accordance with Article 17 of the Statute of the Special Tribunal. Nevertheless, following the principles of its general directions and having reviewed the motion, the Trial Chamber permits the attendance of Mr Tarraf and Mr Nasser in the courtroom during the public hearings scheduled for 27 and 28 September 2016.

DISPOSITION

FOR THESE REASONS, the Trial Chamber:

GRANTS the request of the Legal Representative of Victims; and

INSTRUCTS the Registry to make all necessary arrangements.

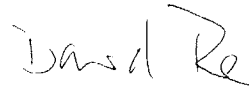
¹ STL-11-01/T/TC, *Prosecutor v. Ayyash, Merhi, Oneissi and Sabra*, F2725, Request of the Legal Representative of Victims to Allow Two Participating Victims to Attend Proceedings in the Courtroom, 20 September 2016 (Request of the Legal Representative of Victims).

² Request of Legal Representative of Victims, para. 6 and footnote 8, where the Legal Representative of Victims refers to confidential email correspondence between him and the Parties on 6 and 20 September 2016. During the case management meeting on 21 September 2016, the Parties confirmed that they do not intend to file responses and had no objections.

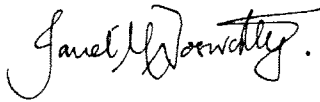
³ Decision, *see* transcript of 18 November 2014, pp 1-3.

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

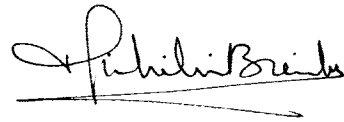
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