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ICTY WEEKLY UPDATE – 267

PROCEDURAL DEVELOPMENTS:

I. OVERVIEW OF COURT PROCEEDINGS:

SIMIĆ *et al.* Case (“Bosanski Šamac”)

Trial Chamber II Section B – Judges Mumba (Presiding), Williams and Lindholm

22nd week of the Defence case.

From 12 until 16 May 2003, the following witnesses were examined by the Defence and subsequently cross-examined by the Prosecution:

- Accused Simo Zarić
- Witness Jovan Erletić
- Witness Stanko Pivašević

BLAGOJEVIĆ *et al.* Case (“Srebrenica”)

Trial Chamber I Section A – Judges Liu (Presiding), Vassilyenko and Argibay

On 14 May 2003, the trial of Vidoje Blagojević, Dragan Obrenović and Dragan Jokić commenced and the Prosecution presented its opening statement.

From 14 May 2003 until 16 May 2003, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution:

- Witness Jean René Ruez

KRAJIŠNIK Case (“Bosnia and Herzegovina”)

Trial Chamber I – Judges Orić (Presiding), El Mahdi and Martín Canivell

On 13 May 2003, the parties appeared before the Trial Chamber for a Status Conference to discuss the delay in the start of the trial due to the withdrawal of the lead Defence counsel and the way to proceed towards the trial.

KRNOJELAC (“Foča – KP Dom”)

Appeals Chamber – Judges Jorda (Presiding), Schomburg, Shahabuddeen, Güney and Agius

On 14 and 15 May 2003, the appeals hearing in the case *The Prosecutor v. Milorad Krnojelac* took place. The Prosecution and the Defence presented their arguments and Milorad Krnojelac addressed the court as well. The Appeals Judgement will be rendered in due course.

II. OVERVIEW OF SELECTED COURT DOCUMENTS:

BLAGOJEVIĆ *et al.* Case (“Srebrenica”)

Trial Chamber I Section A – Judges Liu (Presiding), Vassilyenko and Argibay

SEPARATION OF PROCEEDINGS AND SCHEDULING ORDER

On 9 May 2003, the Trial Chamber separated the proceedings against Momir Nikolić and ordered the Prosecution and counsel for Momir Nikolić to file all submissions and statements of witnesses they might call for the sentencing hearing by 14 July 2003. A date for the sentencing hearing will be fixed by further Order. On 13 May 2003, the Registrar assigned number IT-02-60/1 to the Momir Nikolić case.

ORDER ON THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT LEGAL COUNSEL

On 9 May 2003, the Trial Chamber requested the Registrar to appoint independent counsel to advise Vidoje Blagojević on the rights in relation to the assignment of counsel and assist him in preparing documentation, if any, that may follow from their consultations on this issue.

DECISION ON MOTION TO DISMISS CHARGES AGAINST ACCUSED MOMIR NIKOLIĆ

On 12 May 2003, the Trial Chamber granted the Prosecution's "Motion to Dismiss Charges Against Accused Momir Nikolić" filed on 8 May 2003. In the Motion the Prosecution moved to dismiss the remaining charges against Momir Nikolić in the Amended Joinder Indictment of 27 May 2002, in light of his guilty plea to the charge of persecutions as a crime against humanity in Count five of the Indictment (see also *Press Release No.751*).

ŠEŠELJ Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Schomburg (Presiding), Mumba and Agius

DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION FOR ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL TO ASSIST VOJISLAV ŠEŠELJ WITH HIS DEFENCE

On 9 May 2003, the Trial Chamber decided that a standby counsel shall be assigned to the Accused. It rejected the Prosecution Motion in so far the Motion seeks an order "directing the Registrar to appoint legal counsel to assist the accused Vojislav Šešelj with the preparation and conduct of his defence" without any limitation. The Trial Chamber defined the role of the standby counsel in the Decision.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: *19 MAY - 23 MAY 2003

MONDAY 19 MAY

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial
14:15 - 15:45, **Simić et al.**, Trial
Courtroom II 09:00 - 13:45, **Brđanin**, Trial
Courtroom III 09:00 - 13:45, **Simić et al.**, Trial
14:15 - 19:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial

TUESDAY 20 MAY

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial
14:15 - 15:45, **Simić et al.**, Trial
Courtroom II 09:00 - 13:45, **Brđanin**, Trial
Courtroom III 09:00 - 13:45, **Simić et al.**, Trial
14:15 - 19:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial

WEDNESDAY 21 MAY

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial
Courtroom II 09:00 - 13:45, **Brđanin**, Trial
Courtroom III 09:30 - 13:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial
14:30 - 16:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial

THURSDAY 22 MAY

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial
15:00, **Halilović**, Status Conference
Courtroom II 09:00 - 13:45, **Brđanin**, Trial
Courtroom III 09:30 - 13:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial
14:30 - 16:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial

FRIDAY 23 MAY

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial
15:00, **Ljubičić**, Status Conference
Courtroom III 09:30 - 13:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial
14:30 - 16:00, **Blagojević et al.**, Trial

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