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TRIAL CHAMBER TO EXAMINE MAKING PUBLIC CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS IN MILOŠEVIĆ CASE

Tribunal President Judge Fausto Pocar issued an order on 14 March 2006 assigning Trial Chamber I to consider the question of varying or lifting the protective measures applied to certain materials in the case against Slobodan Milošević.

The order states that there are certain confidential materials in this case that the Dutch authorities may require in completing their inquest, and that Tribunal Vice-President Judge Kevin Parker may require in completing the Tribunal's separate internal inquiry.

Following Slobodan Milošević's death in the UN Detention Unit on Saturday 11 March 2006, Dutch authorities began an investigation under Dutch law that is independent of the Tribunal. In addition, under his authority under the Tribunal's Statute and Rules, Judge Fausto Pocar ordered an internal inquiry. He appointed Tribunal Vice-President Judge Kevin Parker to head it.

In his order, President Pocar noted that it is in the interests of the Tribunal and the public that Dutch authorities and Judge Kevin Parker have at their disposal all of the relevant documents required for a thorough investigation into Slobodan Milošević's death.

The Tribunal indicted Slobodan Milošević with numerous crimes committed in Kosovo, Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina from 1991 to 1999. He stood trial for these crimes from February 2002 until his death on Saturday. Trial Chamber III formally closed the proceedings against him yesterday.

The document can be found on our website at www.un.org/icty/milosevic/trialc/order-e/060314.pdf.

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