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Prosecutor calls for 'new vision of international justice'

In an op-ed published in the Guardian newspaper to mark the beginning of new ICC Prosecutor Fatou Bensouda's term in office, ICTY Prosecutor Serge Brammertz called for a "more constructive dialogue on our future vision of international justice."

Pointing to the achievements of the ICTY and the other ad hoc tribunals, the Prosecutor said that, in the past 20 years "an innovative legal order has been designed, the infrastructure assembled and a new generation of specialised, multi-disciplinary professionals trained. It would be foolish to withdraw resources for international justice just as we are poised to reap the efficiencies of this groundwork."

In addition to proposing a re-design and strengthening of the international justice system, the Prosecutor also underlined the importance of building the capacity of national systems and the need to develop a permanent operational infrastructure for international investigation commissions.

"As Bensouda begins her term," Prosecutor Brammertz concluded, "we should

reaffirm our support for the court's work, while thinking constructively about the road ahead. The accountability vacuum of the past is not a viable alternative. We must craft a vision of international justice that maximises redress for millions of people worldwide who have suffered through unthinkable crimes."

IN THE COURTROOMS

11 & 13 June 2012



Karadžić case: Rule 98 bis submissions

Rule 98 bis of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence allows for a Trial Chamber to enter a judgement of acquittal on any count in the indictment by oral decision at the close of the Prosecution case if no evidence capable of supporting a conviction has been presented. The Defence made submissions under Rule 98 bis on Monday, 11 June, and the Prosecution responded to those submissions on Wednesday, 13 June. The decision of the judges will be rendered in due course.

The trial of Radovan Karadžić began on 26 October 2009. The Prosecution rested its case on 25 May 2012 and the Defence case is currently scheduled to commence on 16 October 2012.

IN THE COURTROOMS

12 June 2012



Šešelj's third contempt trial

The trial in Vojislav Šešelj's third contempt of the Tribunal case commenced on Tuesday 12 June, and was completed on Monday, 18 June. The Trial Chamber's judgement will be rendered on Thursday, 28 June at 9 a.m.

Šešelj, the leader of the Serb Radical Party, currently also standing trial at the Tribunal for alleged war crimes committed

in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia between 1991 and 1994, is accused of failing to remove confidential information from his personal website in violation of orders of a Chamber.

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President Meron expresses concern over ICC staff detained in Libya

On 13 June, Tribunal President Theodor Meron issued a statement expressing his serious concern over the ongoing detention of four ICC staff members in Libya. "The detention of ICC staff members on mission to Libya for over six days already is unacceptable, especially in light of the Libyan government's legal obligation, under Resolution 1970 of the United Nations

Security Council, to co-operate with the ICC and facilitate its mission in Libya. The visit of the four staff members had been ordered by an ICC Pre-Trial Chamber and that order should be fully respected. I wish to join the ICC President in urging the immediate release of the ICC staff members," Judge Meron said.



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18 June 2012



Prosecutor Brammertz visits the European Parliament

At the invitation of Mr Elmar Brok, the Chairman of the European Parliament's Foreign Affairs Committee, Prosecutor Serge Brammertz recently met with the Committee to discuss the work of the Office of the Prosecutor (OTP). During the session, the Prosecutor addressed the progress of ongoing trials and appeals, the co-operation of Serbia, Croatia and BiH with the OTP, and the progress made in national war crimes prosecutions in the region of the former Yugoslavia.

The Prosecutor took the opportunity to thank the EU for the support it has always shown to the OTP, and also called for continued assistance for the regional prosecutions.

IN THE COURTROOMS

22 June 2012



Start of Prosecution's evidence in Mladić case scheduled

Trial Chamber I has scheduled the start of presentation of the Prosecution's evidence in the case of Ratko Mladić for Monday, 9 July 2012.

The Chamber had suspended the start of presentation of evidence until further notice on 18 June 2012, following submissions by the Defence and the Prosecution with regards to the disclosure of material.

Hearings will now take place from 9 July until 20 July, at which time the Tribunal will observe a three week summer recess. The Chamber has asked the Prosecution to file a new witness list by 26 June for the 9 July until 20 July time period and to only include witnesses least impacted by any disclosure failures.



STATUS OF CASES

CASES IN PRE TRIAL

Hadžić • Pleded not guilty on 24 August 2011

CASES AT TRIAL

Haradinaj *et al.* • Closing arguments took place on 25 and 26 June 2012

Karadžić • The Defence case is scheduled to commence on 16 October 2012

Mladić • The trial commenced on 16 May 2012

Prlić *et al.* • Closing arguments took place between 7 February and 2 March 2011

Šešelj • The parties presented their closing arguments between 5 and 20 March 2012

Stanišić & Simatović • The Defence case commenced on 15 June 2011

Stanišić & Župljanin • Closing arguments took place from 29 May until 1 June 2012

Tolimir • Closing arguments are scheduled to take place on 21 and 22 August 2012

CASES ON APPEAL

Dorđević • The trial judgement was pronounced on 23 February 2011 (sentence: 27 years' imprisonment)
• Both the Prosecution and the Defence have filed their appeal briefs

Gotovina *et al.* • The trial judgement was pronounced on 15 April 2011 (sentences: Gotovina - 24 years' imprisonment; Markač - 18 years' imprisonment)
• The appeal hearing took place on 14 May 2012

Lukić & Lukić • The trial judgement was pronounced on 20 July 2009 (sentences: Milan Lukić - life imprisonment; Sredoje Lukić - 30 years' imprisonment)
• The appeal hearing took place on 14 and 15 September 2011

Perišić • The trial judgement was pronounced on 6 September 2011 (sentence: 27 years' imprisonment)
• Both the Prosecution and the Defence have filed their appeal briefs

Popović *et al.* • The trial judgement was pronounced on 10 June 2010 (sentences: Popović - life imprisonment; Beara - life imprisonment; Nikolić - 35 years' imprisonment; Borovčanin - 17 years' imprisonment; Miletić - 19 years' imprisonment; Gvero - 5 years' imprisonment; Pandurević - 13 years' imprisonment)
• Both the Prosecution and the Defence have filed their appeal briefs in respect of all accused except Borovčanin, whose sentence is therefore final

Šainović *et al.* • The trial judgement was pronounced on 26 February 2009 (sentences: Šainović - 22 years' imprisonment; Ojdanić - 15 years' imprisonment; Pavković - 22 years' imprisonment; Lazarević - 15 years' imprisonment; Lukić - 22 years' imprisonment; Milutinović - acquitted)
• Both the Prosecution and the Defence have filed their appeal briefs in respect of all accused except Milutinović, whose acquittal is therefore final

CONTEMPT CASES

Rašić • The trial judgement was pronounced on 7 February 2012 (sentence: 12 months' imprisonment)
• Both the Prosecution and the Defence have filed their appeal briefs

Šešelj • Second contempt case - the trial judgement was pronounced on 31 October 2011 (sentence: 18 months' imprisonment)
• On 14 November 2011, the Amicus Curiae Prosecutor filed his notice of appeal

Šešelj • Third contempt case - the trial commenced on 12 June 2012. The judgement is scheduled to be rendered on 28 June 2012

FACTS & FIGURES

161 INDIVIDUALS INDICTED

Since the very first hearing (a deferral request in the Tadić case) on 8 November 1994, the Tribunal has indicted a total of **161** individuals, and has already completed proceedings with regard to **126** of them:

13 have been acquitted, **64** sentenced (**one** is awaiting transfer, **24** have been transferred, **36** have served their term, and **three** died while serving their sentence), **13** have had their cases transferred to local courts.

126

Total number of accused whose proceedings have been completed.

36

Cases terminated (either because indictments were withdrawn or because the accused died, before or after transfer to the Tribunal).

35

Proceedings are on-going with regard to 35 accused: 17 are at the appeals stage, 17 are currently on trial, and one is at the pre-trial stage.

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A further 34 individuals have been or are the subject of contempt proceedings.

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