



International Tribunal for the
Prosecution of Persons
Responsible for Serious Violations of
International Humanitarian Law
Committed in the Territory of
Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Case No. IT-04-82-T
Date: 23 April 2008
Original: English

IN TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Kevin Parker, Presiding
Judge Christine Van Den Wyngaert
Judge Krister Thelin

Registrar: Mr Hans Holthuis

Decision: 23 April 2008

PROSECUTOR
v.
LJUBE BOŠKOSKI
JOHAN TARČULOVSKI

PUBLIC

**DECISION ON JOINT DEFENCE MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF WORD-LIMIT FOR FINAL TRIAL BRIEF**

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THIS TRIAL CHAMBER (“the Chamber”) of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (“Tribunal”);

BEING SEIZED of a “Joint Defence Motion for Extension of Word-Limit for Final Trial Brief” filed on 22 April 2008 jointly by Counsel for Ljube Boškoski and Counsel for Johan Tarčulovski (jointly “Defence”) seeking that the Chamber grants the Defence a 25,000 word extension for their final trial briefs and allows the Defence teams to allocate between themselves the total number of words allotted to the Defence (“Motion”);

CONSIDERING that upon request a Chamber may, where exceptional circumstances that necessitate the oversized filing have been shown by the moving party, extend the word limit imposed by the Practice Direction;¹

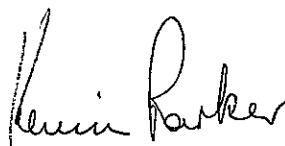
CONSIDERING that in the view of the Chamber, while in the present case, exceptional circumstances warranting variation from the word limit set by the Practice Direction have been demonstrated, the increase requested by the Defence is excessive;

For the foregoing reasons and pursuant to Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Tribunal and Clause (C)(7) of the Practice Direction the Chamber

HEREBY GRANTS the Motion **IN PART** and allows the Defence an extension of 20,000 words in total. In the absence of agreement between Counsel for Ljube Boškoski and Counsel for Johan Tarčulovski each Defence team is ordered to file a final trial brief not exceeding 70,000 words.

Done in English and French, the English text being authoritative.

Dated this twenty-third day of April 2008
At The Hague
The Netherlands



Judge Kevin Parker
Presiding

[Seal of the Tribunal]

¹ Practice Direction, Clause (C)(7).