

FACTUAL BASIS

1. The Prosecution and Ranko Cestic agree that that the following facts are true, and are the basis for this guilty plea:
2. Ranko Cestic, son of Radovan, was born on 5 September 1964, in Drvar Municipality, Bosnia and Herzegovina.
3. In May 1992 he was initially a member of the Bosnian Serb Territorial Defence in Grcica (Brcko Municipality) and then became a member of the intervention platoon assigned to the Bosnian Serb police force ("SUP") in Brcko town. His assigned duties during May and June 1992 included arresting specified non-Serb individuals and bringing them to the Brcko police station and/or Luka detention facility for interrogation.
4. During the time of the alleged violations a state of armed conflict existed in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Ranko Cestic was aware of that fact.
5. During the time of the alleged violations Ranko Cestic was required to abide by the laws and customs governing the conduct of war, including the Geneva Conventions of 1949.
6. All the acts and omissions charged against Ranko Cestic as crimes against humanity were part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against the Muslim and Croat civilian population of Brcko Municipality in parts of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina designated as Republika Srpska, and Ranko Cestic had knowledge of the wider context in which his conduct occurred.
7. None of the victims of the charged crimes were taking an active part in hostilities at the time of the Accused's conduct against them.

Counts 1-2

8. On about 5 May 1992, Ranko Cestic went to the Brcko Partizan Sports Hall where Muslim civilians were being confined, and took the Muslim detainee Sakib Becirevic (a/k/a Kibe) and four other men named "Pepa", "Sale" and the two sons of a man called Avdo outside the hall. Ranko Cestic then shot and killed the five detainees with gunfire.
9. Ranko Cestic intended to kill Sakib Becirevic, "Pepa", "Sale", and the two sons of Avdo at the time he fired his weapon at them.

Counts 3-4

10. On or about 9 May 1992, at Luka camp in Brcko, Ranko Cestic took a Muslim fisherman named "Sejdo" out from a small warehouse where he was detained, took him around the corner and shot him dead.
11. Ranko Cestic intended to kill Sejdo at the time he shot him.

Counts 5-6

12. On about 11 May 1992, Ranko Cestic called the Muslim policeman Mirsad Glavovic from the main hangar building at Luka camp where Glavovic was being detained. Ranko Cestic ordered Mirsad Glavovic to say good-bye and shake hands with the other detainees. Ranko Cestic then took Mirsad Glavovic outside the hangar building, where he and others beat and killed the victim.
13. Ranko Cestic intended to kill Mirsad Glavovic at the time of the beating described above.

Counts 7-8

14. On about 11 May 1992, at Luka camp, Ranko Cesic forced at gunpoint Muslim detainees A and B, (who were brothers detained there), to perform sexual acts (fellatio) on each other in the presence of others, thereby causing the victims A and B great humiliation and degradation.
15. Ranko Cesic intended that a sexual penetration of each of the victims would occur and he knew that this was occurring without the consent of the victims.

Counts 9-10

16. On 12 or 13 May 1992 at Luka camp, Ranko Cesic and another Serb policeman used clubs to beat to death a Muslim detainee named Nihad Jasarevic.
17. Ranko Cesic intended to kill the victim at the time of the beating described above.

Counts 11-12

18. Between about 14 May and 6 June 1992, Ranko Cesic took four civilian detainees, whose identities are unknown, from the office building at Luka camp to the paved road in front of the main hangar building and, with the assistance of two guards (known as Miso Cajevic and Pudic, whose first name is unknown), shot and killed at least two of the detainees.
19. Ranko Cesic intended to kill the victims at the time he and his associates shot them as described in the immediately preceding paragraph.