

**THE PROSECUTOR OF THE TRIBUNAL**

**AGAINST**

**MIROSLAV DERONJIC**

**INDICTMENT**

The Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, pursuant to her authority under Article 18 of the Statute of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia ("the Statute of the Tribunal"), charges:

**MIROSLAV DERONJIC**

with **CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY** and **VIOLATIONS OF THE LAWS OR CUSTOMS OF WAR** as set forth below:

**THE ACCUSED:**

1. **Miroslav DERONJIC**, son of Milovan, was born on 6 June 1945 in the Municipality of Bratunac, Bosnia and Herzegovina. In 1992, during the conflict in Bosnia and Herzegovina, he was President of the Bratunac Municipal Board of the SDS ("Serbian Democratic Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina"). He was appointed member of the SDS party Commission on Personnel and Organisation by the Executive Board on 6 September 1991. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was President of the Bratunac Crisis Staff in May 1992, a position that put him in effective control over the command and use of the Territorial Defence ("TO") of the Municipality of Bratunac on 9 May 1992.

**INDIVIDUAL CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY**

2. During the 9 May 1992 attack on Glogova, **Miroslav DERONJIC** was President of the Crisis Staff of the Municipality of Bratunac, an area that includes the village of Glogova, and was in effective control of the command and use of the TO of the Municipality of Bratunac. In this capacity on 8 May 1992, **Miroslav DERONJIC** exercised this effective control of the TO and gave the order to attack and burn the village of Glogova.
3. **Miroslav DERONJIC** is individually criminally responsible pursuant to Article 7(1) of the Statute of the Tribunal for the crimes referred to in Articles 3 and 5 of the Statute of the Tribunal as alleged in this indictment, which he planned, instigated, ordered, committed or in whose planning, preparation or execution he otherwise aided and abetted.
4. **Miroslav DERONJIC** is also criminally responsible as superior for the acts of his subordinates pursuant to Article 7(3) of the Tribunal Statute. This criminal responsibility is that of a superior for the acts of subordinates if he knew or had reason to know that his subordinates were about to commit such acts or had done so and he failed to take the necessary and reasonable measures to prevent such acts or to punish the perpetrators thereof.

**GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

5. At all times relevant to this Indictment, a state of armed conflict existed in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
6. The acts or omissions described herein, the charged crimes against humanity in this Indictment, were part of a widespread and systematic attack on the civilian population, principally the Bosnian Muslim population of Bratunac Municipality in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
7. On 9 May 1992 **Miroslav DERONJIC** was required to abide by the laws and customs governing the conduct of armed conflicts.
8. The general allegations contained in paragraphs 5 through 7 are re-alleged and incorporated into each of the related counts of the Indictment.

#### **STATEMENT OF THE FACTS**

9. The Municipality of Bratunac is located in eastern Bosnia and Herzegovina and according to the 1991 census, had a population of 33,619, of which 21,535 were Muslims, 11,475 Serb, 223 Yugoslavs, 40 Croats and 346 other nationalities. The Municipality of Bratunac was of major significance to the Bosnian Serbs as it was one of the municipalities within the strategic arc that the Serbs needed to link the Serbian populations of Bosnia and Herzegovina to a contiguous Serbian State.
10. In the spring of 1992 armed conflict between Serbs and non-Serbs broke out in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, including in the Municipality of Bratunac.
11. As part of the conflict, Bosnian Serb forces, Yugoslav People's Army forces ("JNA"), and paramilitary forces carried out widespread and systematic attacks on the civilian population of this region.
12. The Municipality of Bratunac was taken over by Bosnian Serb forces on 17 April 1992 and a systematic effort was launched to disarm the Bosnian Muslim population of the municipality, which was completed by the end of April 1992.
13. On 9 May 1992 Glogova was a small village located in the Bratunac Municipality, in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, a few kilometres from the city of Bratunac. There were about 750 houses in Glogova, which was a predominately Bosnian Muslim village. In 1991, the total population of the village was 1,913 residents of whom 1,901 were Muslims, 6 Serbs, 4 Yugoslavs, 1 Croat and 1 "other." Hereinafter, for purposes of this Indictment, the term "Glogova" refers to the Bosnian Muslim part of the village of Glogova.
14. In late April and early May of 1992 the Bosnian Muslim villagers of Glogova were disarmed. On at least three occasions during that timeframe, Bratunac police forces and the JNA went through Glogova and secured weapons from the Bosnian Muslim population. On one occasion, the Bosnian Muslim population was directed to appear at a meeting at the community building. **Miroslav DERONJIC** told the gathered villagers that they had to turn in their weapons. Over the next few days soldiers gathered weapons from the Bosnian Muslim residents of Glogova.
15. On the evening of 8 May 1992 **Miroslav DERONJIC**, in his capacity as President of the Crisis Staff of the Municipality of Bratunac, a position which gave him effective control over the command and use of the TO of the Municipality of Bratunac, gave an order to attack the village of Glogova and burn it down.

#### **CHARGES**

##### **COUNT 1 PERSECUTIONS**

16. In May 1992, **Miroslav DERONJIC** individually and in concert with members of the Bratunac TO who

were under his effective control, planned, instigated, ordered, committed or otherwise aided and abetted in the planning, preparation or execution of the persecution of Bosnian Muslims on political, racial or religious grounds, in the village of Glogova in the Municipality of Bratunac.

17. In May 1992 **Miroslav DERONJIC** acting in concert with members of the Bratunac TO, with members of the JNA, and with others perpetrated persecutions in the following ways:

#### **Attack on the Village of Glogova**

18. On the evening of 8 May 1992, **Miroslav DERONJIC**, in his capacity as President of the Crisis Staff of the Municipality of Bratunac, having effective control over the command and use of the TO of the Municipality of Bratunac, gave the order to the Bratunac TO to attack and burn the village of Glogova.
19. In the early morning hours of 9 May 1992, members of the Bratunac TO and members of the JNA, and others (hereinafter "attacking forces" or "forces" refers to the Bratunac TO, the JNA and others), working in concert, surrounded the village of Glogova and initially bombarded it with artillery. Thereafter, the attacking forces entered the village on foot and took control of the village. The Bosnian Muslim villagers, who previously had been disarmed, offered no resistance. The attacking forces then set fire to Bosnian Muslim houses, buildings and the mosque. The Bosnian Muslim portion of the village of Glogova was razed to the ground. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was present during the attack on Glogova.

#### **Killing of Muslim Villagers From Glogova**

20. During the 9 May 1992 attack on Glogova members of the Bratunac TO, including Najdan MLADENOVIC, Milo aka "Riba", Milan ZARIC, Gojko RADIC, Drago TAKIC, Dusan ZIVANOVIC aka "Dule", participated in the attack on Glogova.
21. Bosnian Muslim villagers Medo DELIC, Seco IBISEVIC, his wife Zlatija and Adem JUNUZOVIC were shot and killed outside their homes by members of the attacking forces. During the course of the attack other Bosnian Muslim men were executed in a similar manner near their homes by members of the attacking forces.
22. During the attack, members of the attacking forces executed a group of approximately fifteen (15) Bosnian Muslim men from the village of Glogova on the main road near the centre of the village.
23. After the execution of the group of Bosnian Muslims referred to in paragraph 22, members of the attacking forces ordered approximately fifteen (15) Bosnian Muslim villagers to carry these and other bodies to the river. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was present near the riverbank where Bosnian Muslim bodies were dumped. At this location a member of the attacking forces executed a Bosnian Muslim villager, Jusuf IBISIVIC, in the immediate presence of **Miroslav DERONJIC**. After all of the bodies were dumped into the river, those Bosnian Muslim villagers who had been ordered to carry the bodies were lined up by the river and executed.
24. During the attack on Glogova, members of the attacking forces gathered a group of approximately twenty (20) Bosnian Muslim men by the market in Glogova. These Bosnian Muslim men were ordered to walk to the river where they were executed by members of the attacking forces on the order of Najdan MLADENOVIC, a member of the Bratunac TO and a subordinate of **Miroslav DERONJIC**.
25. Over 60 Bosnian Muslim men from Glogova were executed during the 9 May 1992 attack. The murdered individuals include, but are not limited to, those listed in Schedule A, which is attached and incorporated with this Indictment.

#### **Destruction of Property in the Village of Glogova**

26. During the 9 May 1992 attack on Glogova, the attacking forces bombarded Glogova with heavy artillery shells and set fire to the mosque, to homes, warehouses, businesses, fields and haystacks as described

herein.

27. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was present during the attack on Glogova while members of the attacking forces wantonly destroyed Bosnian Muslim homes, businesses, institutions dedicated to religion, and personal property in the manner described in paragraph 26. Glogova was razed to the ground.

#### **Forcible Transfer of Civilians from Glogova**

28. In May 1992, **Miroslav DERONJIC** aided and abetted in the forcible expulsion and transfer of the surviving Bosnian Muslims of Glogova from the Municipality of Bratunac.
29. On 9 May 1992, during and immediately after the attack on Glogova, Bosnian Muslim civilians were expelled from their homes and forcibly transferred by subordinates of **Miroslav DERONJIC**, that is, members of the Bratunac TO, from the village of Glogova, to other parts of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Specifically, the women and children who survived the attack were placed on busses and forcibly transported to Muslim held territory located outside the Municipality of Bratunac. The surviving Bosnian Muslim men were transported to various locations in Bratunac including the Bratunac stadium and the Vuk Karadzic School.
30. The persecutions of Bosnian Muslim civilians, as alleged above, resulted in the elimination of the Bosnian Muslim population from Glogova and resulted in the destruction of the village.
31. **Miroslav DERONJIC** knew or had reason to know that members of the Bratunac TO were persecuting Bosnian Muslims on political, racial or religious grounds in the village of Glogova and in the manner described herein, or had done so and failed to take the necessary and reasonable measures to prevent such acts or to punish the perpetrators thereof.

By these acts and omissions, **Miroslav DERONJIC committed:**

**COUNT 1: PERSECUTIONS**, a CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY, punishable under Articles 5(h), 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal.

#### **COUNTS 2-3 MURDER**

32. On 9 May 1992, in the Municipality of Bratunac, the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, **Miroslav DERONJIC**, acting in concert with others who shared his intent, planned, instigated, ordered, committed, or otherwise aided and abetted the planning, preparation, or execution of the attack on the village of Glogova, including the killing of over 60 Muslim civilians.
33. On 8 May 1992, **Miroslav DERONJIC** in his capacity as President of the Crisis Staff of the Municipality of Bratunac gave the order to attack and burn the village of Glogova.
34. On 9 May 1992, the village of Glogova was attacked. Members of the attacking forces ordered Bosnian Muslim villagers out of their homes. Some Bosnian Muslim men were killed as they left their homes while the remaining Bosnian Muslim villagers were directed to certain areas of the village. At these locations, Bosnian Muslim men were separated from women and children and some of the men were summarily executed.
35. During the attack on Glogova members of the Bratunac TO, including Najdan MLADENOVIC, Milo aka "Riba", Milan ZARIC, Gojko RADIC, Drago TAKIC, Dusan ZIVANOVIC aka "Dule", participated in the attack on Glogova.
36. Bosnian Muslim villagers of Glogova Medo DELIC, Seco IBISEVIC, his wife Zlatija and Adem JUNUZOVIC were shot and killed outside their homes by members of the attacking forces. During the

course of the attack other Bosnian Muslim men were executed in a similar manner near their homes.

37. During the attack in Glogova, members of the attacking forces executed a group of approximately fifteen (15) Bosnian Muslim men on the main road near the centre of the village.
38. After the execution of the group of Bosnian Muslims referred to in paragraph 37, members of the attacking forces ordered approximately fifteen (15) Muslim villagers to carry these and other bodies to the river. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was present near the riverbank where Bosnian Muslim bodies were dumped. A member of the attacking forces executed a Bosnian Muslim villager, Jusuf IBISIVIC, in the immediate presence of **Miroslav DERONJIC**. After all of the bodies were dumped into the river, those Bosnian Muslim villagers who had been ordered to carry the bodies were executed.
39. During the attack on Glogova, members of the attacking forces gathered a group of approximately twenty (20) Bosnian Muslim men by the market in the village of Glogova. These Bosnian Muslim men were ordered to walk to the river where they were executed by members of the attacking forces on the order of Najdan MLADENOVIC, a member of the Bratunac TO and a subordinate of **Miroslav DERONJIC**.
40. Over 60 Bosnian Muslim men from Glogova were executed during the 9 May 1992 attack. The individuals murdered include, but are not limited to, those listed in Schedule A, which is attached and incorporated with this Indictment.

By these acts or omissions, **Miroslav DERONJIC** committed:

**COUNT 2: MURDER**, a CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY, punishable under Article 5(a), 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal; and

**COUNT 3: MURDER**, a VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OR CUSTOMS OF WAR, as recognised by Article 3(1)(a) of the Geneva Convention of 1949, punishable under Articles 3, 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal.

#### **COUNTS 4-6**

#### **WANTON DESTRUCTION OF CITIES, TOWNS OR VILLAGES DESTRUCTION OF INSTITUTIONS DEDICATED TO RELIGION ATTACK OF AN UNDEFENDED VILLAGE**

41. On 9 May 1992, in the Municipality of Bratunac, the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, **Miroslav DERONJIC**, acting individually and in concert with others who shared his intent, planned, instigated, ordered, committed, or otherwise aided and abetted the planning, preparation, or execution of an attack on Glogova, an undefended village, and the wanton and extensive destruction of the Bosnian Muslim dwellings, businesses, institutions dedicated to religion, and personal property in the village of Glogova.
42. In late April and early May 1992, the Bosnian Muslim residents of Glogova surrendered their arms to Bratunac police forces and to the JNA as described in paragraph 14, and on 9 May 1992 offered no resistance to the attacking forces.
43. On 9 May 1992 Glogova was attacked. Members of the attacking forces shelled the village of Glogova and set fire to the mosque and to Bosnian Muslim homes, warehouses, businesses, fields and haystacks. At the end of the attack, Glogova was razed to the ground.
44. **Miroslav DERONJIC** in his capacity as President of the Crisis Staff of the Municipality of Bratunac a position which gave him effective control over the command and use of the TO of the Municipality of Bratunac gave the order to attack Glogova. **Miroslav DERONJIC** was present during the attack as the village was razed to the ground.

By these acts or omissions, **Miroslav DERONJIC** committed:

**COUNT 4: WANTON DESTRUCTION OF CITIES, TOWNS OR VILLAGES**, a VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OR CUSTOMS OF WAR, punishable under Articles 3(b), 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal.

**COUNT 5: DESTRUCTION OF INSTITUTIONS DEDICATED TO RELIGION**, a VIOLATION OF THE LAWS OR CUSTOMS OF WAR, punishable under Articles 3(d), 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal.

**COUNT 6: ATTACK OF AN UNDEFENDED VILLAGE**, a VIOLATION OF THE LAWS AND CUSTOMS OF WAR, punishable under Article 3(c), 7(1) and 7(3) of the Statute of the Tribunal.

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Graham Blewitt  
Deputy Prosecutor

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2002  
At The Hague  
The Netherlands

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**SCHEDULE A**

**Bosnian Muslims Murdered In Glogova 9 May 1992**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Given Name</b>
1	ALIHROMIC	Hajdar
2	BEGANOVIC	Vahid
3	COSIC	Ramiz
4	DELIC	Seco
5	DELIC	Bego
6	DELIC	Medo
7	DELIC	Redjo
8	DELIC	Redzo
9	DELIC	Dafo or Dzafo
10	DELIC	Hamed
11	DELIC	Meho
12	DELIC	Meva
13	GEROVIC	Saban

14	GEROVIC	Ramiz
15	GEROVIC	Ramo
16	GOLIC	Serif
17	GOLIC	Avdo
18	GOLIC	Ramo
19	GOLIC	Rifat
20	GOLIC	FNU
21	GUSIS	FNU
22	HASIBOVIC	FNU
23	HUSEJNOVIC	Nezir
24	IBISEVIC	Dzevad or Devad
25	IBISEVIC	Ilijaz
26	IBISEVIC	Jusuf
27	IBISEVIC	Kemal
28	IBISEVIC	Mehmed
29	IBISEVIC	Muharem
30	IBISEVIC	Mujo
31	IBISEVIC	Mustafa
32	IBISEVIC	Osman
33	IBISEVIC	Ramo
34	IBISEVIC	Refik
35	IBISEVIC	Sabrija
36	IBISEVIĆ	Ismail(FNU)
37	IBISEVIĆ	Sećo
38	IBISEVIĆ	Zlatija(W/O Seco
39	JUNUZOVIC	Abid
40	JUNUZOVIC	Huso

41	JUNUZOVIC	Adem
42	JUNUZOVIC	Banovka
43	JUNUZOVIC	Salih
44	MILACEVIC	Halid
45	MILACEVIC	Alija
46	MUSIC	Saban
47	MEMISEVIC	Hajro or Hajrudin
48	OMEROVIC	Mirzet
49	OMEROVIC	Samir
50	OMEROVIC	Selmo
51	OMEROVIC	Selmo(Selman)
52	OMEROVIC	Fejzo
53	OMEROVIC	Nezir
54	OMEROVIC	Mensur
55	OMEROVIC	Nevzet
56	OMEROVIC	Nermin
57	OMEROVIC	Elvis (FNU s/O NEZIR)
58	RIZVANOVIC	Camil
59	RIZVANOVIC	Jasmin
60	RIZVANOVIC	Mensur
61	RIZVANOVIC	Mustafa
62	RIZVANOVIC	Nurija
63	SACIROVIC	Mujo
64	SELIMIC	FNU
65	TALOVIC	Uzeir