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13 MARCH 2008**Case No. IT-05-87/1-PT*****Prosecutor v. Vlastimir Đorđević*****PUBLIC****DECISION****THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR,**

NOTING the Statute of the Tribunal as adopted by the Security Council under Resolution 827 (1993), and in particular Article 21 thereof;

NOTING the Rules of Procedure and Evidence as adopted by the Tribunal on 11 February 1994, as subsequently amended (“Rules”), and in particular Rules 44 and 45 thereof;

NOTING the Directive on the Assignment of Defence Counsel as adopted by the Tribunal on 28 July 1994, as subsequently amended (“Directive”), and in particular Articles 7 and 11(B) thereof;

NOTING the Code of Professional Conduct for Counsel Appearing Before the International Tribunal (IT/125 REV.2) (“Code of Conduct”), and in particular Articles 9 and 14 thereof;

NOTING that Mr. Vlastimir Đorđević (“Accused”) was transferred to the seat of the Tribunal on 17 June 2007, and that his first initial appearance was held on 19 June 2007 and his further initial appearance was held on 16 July 2007;

NOTING that on 19 June 2007, at the request of the Accused and pursuant to Rule 45(C) of the Rules, the Registrar assigned Ms. Jelena Nikolić, attorney at law from Belgrade, as duty counsel to the Accused for the purposes of his initial appearance and for such other matters as necessary until a permanent counsel is assigned;

NOTING that the Accused has applied for the assignment of Tribunal-paid counsel pursuant to Articles 7 and 8 of the Directive on the basis that he does not have sufficient means to remunerate counsel;


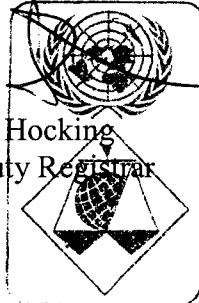
CONSIDERING that on 15 August 2007, acting pursuant to Article 11(B) of the Directive, the Registrar assigned Mr. Dragoljub Đorđević, attorney at law from Belgrade, as lead counsel to the Accused for a period of 120 days, determining that an interim assignment of counsel was necessary to ensure that the Accused’s right to counsel was not affected while the Registry examines his ability to remunerate counsel;

CONSIDERING that on 14 December 2007, the Registry extended Mr. Đorđević’s assignment by a further 90 days;

CONSIDERING that the Registry is conducting an inquiry into the Accused’s ability to remunerate counsel and that the inquiry is not yet complete;

CONSIDERING that it is necessary, in order to ensure that the Accused's right to counsel is not affected while the Registry conducts its inquiry, to continue Mr. Đorđević's assignment on an interim basis;

HEREBY DECIDES to extend Mr. Đorđević's assignment as counsel to the Accused for an additional period of 90 days, effective as of the date of this decision.


John Hocking
Deputy Registrar


Dated this thirteenth day of March 2008
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.