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THE APPEALS CHAMBER WILL DELIVER ITS JUDGEMENT ON 12 JUNE 2002 IN THE KUNARAC, KOVAČ AND VUKOVIĆ CASE

On Wednesday 12 June 2002 at 4.30 p.m. in Courtroom I, the Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY), consisting of Judges Jorda (Presiding), Shahabuddeen, Güney, Schomburg and Meron, will deliver its Judgement in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Dragoljub Kunarac, Radomir Kovač and Zoran Vuković*.

The Judgement

The Trial of Dragoljub Kunarac, Radomir Kovač and Zoran Vuković commenced on 20 March 2000 and concluded on 22 November 2000 with the closing arguments of both parties. The Trial lasted for 58 days. The Prosecution called 33 witnesses, the Defence called 29 witnesses and the Trial Chamber called 1 witness.

On 22 February 2001, the Trial Chamber, consisting of Judges Mumba (Presiding) Hunt, and Pocar rendered its Judgement convicting the accused as follows:

Dragoljub Kunarac was sentenced to 28 years' imprisonment on the basis of his individual criminal responsibility (Article 7(1) of the Statute of the Tribunal), with crimes against humanity (Article 5 – torture; rape; enslavement) and violations of the laws or customs of war (Article 3 – torture; rape).

Radomir Kovač was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment on the basis of his individual criminal responsibility with violations of the laws or customs of war (Article 3 – rape; outrages upon personal dignity) and crimes against humanity (Article 5 – enslavement; rape).

Zoran Vuković was sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment on the basis of his individual criminal responsibility with violations of the laws or customs of war (Article 3 – torture; rape), and crimes against humanity (Article 5 – torture; rape).

The Appeal

Kunarac, Kovač and Vuković filed their respective notices of appeal against the Judgement on 6 March 2001. The appeal hearing took place from 4 December to 6 December 2001.

The full text of the Trial Chamber's Judgement is available on the ICTY Internet site, as well as the case information sheet.

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