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Case No. IT-98-34-PT***The Prosecutor v. Mladen Naletilić*****DECISION****THE REGISTRAR,**

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

CONSIDERING the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (hereinafter: Rules) as adopted by the Tribunal on 11 February 1994, as subsequently amended, and in particular Rule 45 thereof;

CONSIDERING the Directive on Assignment of Defence Counsel (hereinafter: Directive) as adopted by the Tribunal on 28 July 1994, as subsequently amended, and in particular Articles 7, 9, 10, 11 and 19 thereof;

CONSIDERING the declaration of means Mr Mladen Naletilić (hereinafter: the accused) filed with the Registry, and his request to have Mr Krešimir Krsnik, attorney at law from Zagreb, assigned as his defence counsel;

NOTING the decision of the Registrar dated 17 April 2000, assigning Mr. Krsnik as counsel for the accused for 30 days in order to verify his declaration of indigency;

NOTING the decision of the Registrar dated 15 May 2000, assigning Mr. Krsnik as counsel for the accused for 3 months in order to secure the rights of the accused while further verifying his declaration of indigency;

CONSIDERING that to date, the declaration of means of the accused has not been certified by any of the authorities the Registry has requested to verify it;

CONSIDERING that the accused, while having the burden of proof for his request for obtaining legal aid, has thus far submitted no documents in support of his claim;

CONSIDERING that the accused should be granted sufficient time to submit documents in support of his claim, but that this time is limited to a reasonable time frame;

CONSIDERING that the absence of a submission of supporting documentation on behalf of the accused in itself provides grounds to withdraw the assignment of counsel;



INVITES the accused to submit conclusive documentation to the Registry in order to substantiate his request for assignment of counsel;

DECIDES, on the basis of Article 11 of the Directive, to extend the provisional assignment of Mr Krsnik as counsel to the accused for another 2 months, in full and final satisfaction of the time frame referred to above.



Jean-Jacques Heinz
Deputy Registrar

Dated this eighteenth day of August 2000
At The Hague
The Netherlands