



International Tribunal for the Prosecution of
Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of
International Humanitarian Law Committed in the
Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991

Case No: IT-08-91-T
Date: 30 March 2012
Original: English

IN TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before: Judge Burton Hall, Presiding
Judge Guy Delvoie
Judge Frederik Harhoff

Registrar: Mr. John Hocking

Order of: 30 March 2012

PROSECUTOR

v.

MIĆO STANIŠIĆ AND STOJAN ŽUPLJANIN

PUBLIC

ORDER ON FINAL TRIAL BRIEFS AND CLOSING ARGUMENTS

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Mr. Dragan Krgović and Mr. Aleksandar Aleksić for Stojan Župljanin

TRIAL CHAMBER II (“Trial Chamber”) of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991 (“Tribunal”);

RECALLING that on 18 January 2012 the Trial Chamber decided that the parties shall have four weeks from the closing of the evidence to file their respective final trial briefs, that the Prosecution’s final trial brief shall not exceed 120,000 words, the Stanišić Defence’s final trial brief 80,000 words, and the Župljanin Defence’s final trial brief 60,000 words, and that the closing arguments shall be heard two weeks after the filing of the final trial briefs;¹

CONSIDERING that, due to the complexity and the size of this case, the number of witnesses heard by the Trial Chamber, the number of exhibits admitted into evidence, and the fact that the Consolidated Hyperlinked Spreadsheet is still to be finalized, it would be in the interests of justice to grant the parties an additional week to file their final trial briefs;²

STRESSING that appendices to the final trial briefs and books of authority may not contain any legal or factual arguments but rather references, source materials, items from the record, exhibits, and other relevant, non-argumentative material;³

PURSUANT TO Articles 20 and 21 of the Statute and Rules 54 and 86 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence;

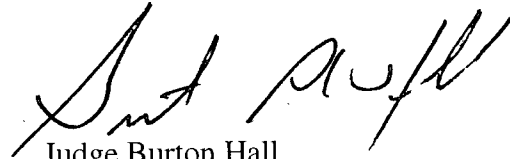
ORDERS as follows:

- (i) The parties shall file their final trial briefs by no later than 7 May 2012.
- (ii) There shall be no written responses to final trial briefs.
- (iii) The Trial Chamber shall hear closing arguments from 21-24 May 2012.
- (iv) The Prosecution shall commence presenting its closing arguments on 21 May 2012, and shall have six hours in total to do so.
- (v) After the completion of the Prosecution’s closing arguments, the Defence teams shall have six hours in total to present their closing arguments, equally divided between them and with the Stanišić Defence starting first, unless both Defence teams agree otherwise.

¹ Hearing, 18 January 2012, T. 26671-26672, 26687. *See also* the Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions, IT/184/Rev. 2, 16 September 2005 (“Practice Direction”), sections (A), (B), and (C), paras 4, 7.

(vi) The Trial Chamber shall decide upon time for rebuttal and rejoinder arguments (if any), after the completion of the Defence closing arguments.

Done in English and French, the English version being authoritative.



Judge Burton Hall
Presiding

Dated this 30th day of March 2012
At The Hague
The Netherlands

[Seal of the Tribunal]

² See Decision granting in part Prosecution's Motion to reconsider the Trial Chamber's Decision of 27 January 2012 and to add further material to the CHS, 29 March 2012, p. 6.
³ Practice Direction, section (C), para. 6.