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[13 October](#)**President Pocar  
addresses the  
General Assembly**

"The President highlighted that while the Tribunal's success had been primarily assessed within the framework of the completion strategy endorsed by Security Council Resolutions 1503 and 1534, the completion of the cases on its docket was only part of the Tribunal's mission. He emphasized that the Tribunal's ultimate goal was to ensure that the fight against impunity would continue to remain a priority for the international community and that domestic partners, in particular in the former Yugoslavia, would continue to be assisted in bringing those responsible for serious international crimes to justice," reads a press release summing up the President's address.

It adds that the "President recalled the unparalleled accomplishments of the Tribunal ..., its unequalled role in the consolidation and development of international criminal law, and its contribution to peace and reconciliation in the former Yugoslavia. He stated, however, that ... the Tribunal still needed the essential support of Member States on three fronts: the completion of the cases on its docket, the arrest of fugitives and support to domestic institutions in the former Yugoslavia."

*The following press release was issued with a link to the full text of the President's presentation of the ICTY's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Report: AH/MOW/1288e at <http://www.un.org/icty/latest-e/index.htm>*

[17 October](#)**Djordjević case:  
the translation of  
the Prosecution's  
pre-trial brief in  
BCS ...**

...is ordered by Pre-Trial Judge Frederik Harhoff as an "exceptional" measure.

Judge Harhoff explains that "as the Tribunal moves towards completion of its mission, those measures not ordinarily or essential as a matter of fundamental fairness, but which might facilitate the more expedient trial of the case should be considered as a matter of judicial economy."

[20 October](#)**Registrar  
establishes  
Informal Host  
State Working  
Group**

A Working Group is established to gather information on a number of host state matters which range from Ministry of Foreign Affairs ID cards, residence permits and taxation to important social security matters, including Dutch state pensions and domestic health insurance eligibility/ineligibility. The Registrar's office remains in constant dialogue with the Dutch government -- as the Host State -- to highlight concerns held by the Tribunal and its staff.

[20 and 24 October](#)**Host State  
matters: Staff  
Union requests a  
meeting with  
Justice State  
Secretary**

The ICTY Staff Union sends a letter to Justice State Secretary Albayrak asking for a meeting with her. The main issue raised in the letter is the residency requirements for non-European staff who would wish to stay in the Netherlands upon completion of their work at the Tribunal.

More generally, the Staff Union has been campaigning on several issues that affect ICTY staff, including host country issues for Dutch nationals, areas of concern for staff from the former Yugoslavia, job opportunities and challenges upon downsizing that will affect us all. Being frustrated at the lack of progress by the host country's Ministry of Social Affairs, the Staff Union hand-delivered a letter to Minister Donner on Friday 24 October, raising the case for affected staff and their dependants.

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[21 October](#)

**Top FYROM prosecutors visit the OTP**

Four prosecutors from the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia's (FYROM) Organized Crime Unit start a three-day visit to the Tribunal. This technical visit will focus on staff of the Office of the Prosecutor sharing their skills and knowledge to help the FYROM judiciary better handle the increasing number of war crimes cases.

*Their visit takes place at the initiative of the US Department of Justice.*

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[22 October](#)

**Karadžić to testify for Krajišnik on 5 November**

The first day of the additional Evidentiary Hearing in the Appeals proceedings of the Krajišnik case on 3 November will be devoted to the testimony of George Mano and Stefan Karganović, who will appear as Appeal's Chamber witnesses to give evidence relating to the conduct of Krajišnik's former defence counsel during the trial.

Radovan Karadžić will testify on 5 November pursuant to Rule 115.

*Both hearings will start at 8:30 a.m and last until 7 p.m.*

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[27 October](#)

**Florence Hartmann postpones plea on contempt charges until 14 November**

Making her initial appearance in front of Judge Agius, Presiding the specially appointed Chamber, Florence Hartmann announces that she will enter her plea at a later stage, pursuant to Rule 62 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

*On 30 October, Judge Agius issues an Order setting the date for the further initial appearance of Florence Hartmann. The hearing will take place on Friday 14 November at 2:15 p.m.*

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## **COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 3 NOVEMBER – 14 NOVEMBER 2008\***

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### **MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 08:30 – 19:00, **Krajišnik**, Appeal  
Courtroom II 08:50 – 13:45, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Prlić**, Trial

### **TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 08:50 – 13:45, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Prlić**, Trial  
Courtroom II 08:30 – 13:15, **Šešelj**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 16:30, **Popović et al**, Trial

### **WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 08:30 – 19:00, **Krajišnik**, Appeal  
Courtroom II 08:50 – 13:45, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Šešelj**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 13:45, **Popović et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Gotovina et al**, Trial

### **THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 08:50 – 13:45, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Prlić**, Trial  
Courtroom II 08:30 – 13:15, **Šešelj**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 19:00, **Gotovina et al**, Trial

### **FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 08:50 – 13:45, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 16:30, **Popović et al**, Trial

### **MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:10, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 14:15 – 19:00, **Prlić**, Trial

## **TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Šešelj**, Trial  
Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:10, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 13:45, **Prlić**, Trial

## **WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Šešelj**, Trial  
Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:10, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 13:45, **Prlić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Popović et al**, Trial

## **THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 18:30, **Šešelj**, Trial  
Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Momčilo Perišić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:10, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 09:00 – 13:45, **Prlić**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:00, **Popović et al**, Trial

## **FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER**

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, **Gotovina et al**, Trial  
14:15 – 19:10, **Lukić&Lukić**, Trial  
Courtroom III 14:15 – 17:30, **Florence Hartmann**, Further Initial Appearance

***Public proceedings are broadcast with a 30-minute delay on the ICTY's website.***

## **PROCEEDINGS COMPLETED WITH REGARD TO 116 ACCUSED**

**Since the very first hearing (referral request in the Tadić case) on 8 November 1994, the Tribunal has indicted a total of 161 individuals, and has already completed proceedings with regard to 116 of them: 10 have been acquitted, 57 sentenced (three are awaiting transfer, 28 have been transferred, 24 have served their term, and two died while serving their sentence), 13 have had their cases transferred to local courts. Another 36 cases have been terminated (either because indictments were withdrawn or because the accused died, before or after transfer to the Tribunal).**

**Proceedings are on-going with regard to 45 accused: ten are at the appeals stage, six are awaiting the Trial Chamber's judgement, 22 are currently on trial, five are at the pre-trial stage. Two fugitives are still at large.**

**A further 29 individuals have been or are the subject of contempt proceedings.**

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