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PROCEDURAL DEVELOPMENTS

I. OVERVIEW OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

MILUTINOVIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Bonomy (Presiding), Chowhan, Kamenova and Nosworthy (Reserve Judge)

Examination of a Trial Chamber's witness

On 8 July and 9 July 2008, the following witness testified (summoned by the Trial Chamber):

• *Aleksandar Dimitrijević* (Chief of the Security Department of the Main Staff of the Yugoslav Army during the relevant period)

This was the last witness in the proceedings and the presentation of evidence is therefore completed.

The closing arguments have been re-scheduled. They will be heard from 19 August until 22 August 2008, instead of 22-25 July 2008.

POPOVIĆ et al. Case ("Srebrenica")

Trial Chamber II - Judges Agius (Presiding), Kwon, Prost and Støle (Reserve Judge)

Continuation of the Defence case

On 7 July and 8 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Petar Vuga* (military expert)

On 10 July 2008, the Defence of Ljubiša Beara made its opening statement.

On 10 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• Spiridon Alačov (Yugoslav Army officer serving with the accused Beara in the past)

On 10 July and 11 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Vojislav Medić* (investigative judge of the Military Court in Belgrade during the relevant period)

On 11 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Ljubomir Mitrović* (officer in the Republika Srpska Army – member/President of the Commission for Exchange of Prisoners and Bodies of the East-Bosnian Corps during the relevant period)

GOTOVINA et al. Case

Trial Chamber I – Judges Orie (Presiding), Ķinis and Gwaunza

Continuation of the Prosecution case

On 7 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• Joseph Lorenzo Claude Bellerose (UN engineer in the Sector South during the relevant period)

On 8 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Jovan Dopuđ* (testifying primarily about the events in the area of Obrovac during the relevant period)

From 8 July until 11 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• **Zdravko Janić** (Chief of the anti-terrorist department of the Croatian special police during the relevant period)

Vojislav ŠEŠELJ Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Antonetti (Presiding), Harhoff and Lattanzi

Continuation of the Prosecution case

From 8 July until 10 July 2008, the following witness testified in closed session:

• Witness VS-1112

PRLIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Antonetti (Presiding), Prandler, Trechsel and Mindua (Reserve Judge)

Continuation of the Defence case

From 7 July until 10 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• **Zoran Buntić** (official in the Croatian Community of "Herceg-Bosna" during the relevant period)

LUKIĆ & LUKIĆ Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Robinson (Presiding), Van den Wyngaert and David

Commencement of the Prosecution case

On 9 July 2008, the parties met before the Chamber for a pre-trial Conference. On 9 July 2008, the Prosecution made its opening statement, followed by the Defence of Milan Lukić, whose opening statement continued on 10 July.

On 10 July and 11 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Witness VG-014* (eye-witness from Bikavac, Višegrad)

On 11 July 2008, the following witness testified:

• *Witness VG-079* (eye-witness from Višegrad)

BOŠKOSKI & TARČULOVSKI Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Parker (Presiding), Thelin and Van den Wyngaert

Trial Chamber Judgement

On 10 July 2008, the Trial Chamber rendered its judgement: Johan Tarčulovski was convicted and sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment while Ljube Boškoski was acquitted of all charges – *See Press Release number 1270 dated 10 July 2008.*

II. OVERVIEW OF SELECTED COURT DOCUMENTS

ĐORĐEVIĆ Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Robinson (Presiding), Kamenova and Harhoff

DECISION ON PROSECUTION MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND THE THIRD AMENDED JOINDER INDICTMENT

On 7 July 2008, Trial Chamber III granted a motion by the Prosecution, ordered them to file the fourth amended indictment by 9 July 2008 and scheduled a further appearance of the accused for 17 July 2008.

Subsequently, on 9 July 2008, the Prosecution filed the fourth amended indictment, which is now the operative indictment in this case.

ŽUPLJANIN Case

Judge Støle

SCHEDULING ORDER FOR FURTHER APPEARANCE

On 9 July 2008, Judge Støle ordered that the further appearance of the accused Župljanin shall be held on 21 July 2008 at 15:00 in courtroom I.

Baton HAXHIU Case ("Contempt")

Trial Chamber I – Judges Orie, Van den Wyngaert and Støle

FURTHER DECISION MODIFYING CONDITIONS OF PROVISIONAL RELEASE

On 9 July 2008, Trial Chamber I granted Defence motions and modified the provisional release conditions as follows:

- the accused is allowed to leave his place of residence for the purpose of his journeys for the period of 11 to 13 July and 15 to 17 July 2008 as set out in the Defence motions and also during any time which is the result of unforeseen delays not caused by the accused.

Mićo STANIŠIĆ Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Parker (Presiding), Van den Wyngaert and Thelin

ORDER REINSTATING PROVISIONAL RELEASE

On 10 July 2008, Trial Chamber II ordered that the provisional release of Mićo Stanišić be reinstated as of Monday, 14 July 2008, under the same conditions as applicable prior to the suspension of the provisional release – *See Press Release number 1272 dated 11 July 2008*.

MILUTINOVIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Bonomy (Presiding), Chowhan, Kamenova and Nosworthy (Reserve Judge)

DECISION ON OJDANIĆ MOTION FOR TEMPORARY PROVISIONAL RELEASE

On 10 July 2008, Trial Chamber III granted a motion by Dragoljub Ojdanić for a temporary provisional release on compassionate grounds and ordered that he be released from 18 July until 12 August 2008 – *See Press Release number 1271 dated 11 July 2008.*

STANIŠIĆ & SIMATOVIĆ Case

Trial Chamber III – Judges Robinson (Presiding), David and Picard

PROSECUTION NOTICE OF FILING OF THIRD AMENDED INDICTMENT

On 10 July 2008, the Prosecution filed the third amended indictment, which now serves as the operative indictment in this case.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 14 JULY - 18 JULY 2008*

MONDAY 14 JULY

 Courtroom I
 14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al., Trial

 Courtroom II
 14:15 – 19:00, Gotovina et al., Trial

TUESDAY 15 JULY

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

WEDNESDAY 16 JULY

Courtroom I	09:00 - 13:45, Gotovina et al., Trial
	14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al., Trial
Courtroom II	08:30 – 13:15, Šešelj , Trial
Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45, Popović et al. , Trial

THURSDAY 17 JULY

Courtroom I	09:30 - 11:30, Strugar, Appeals Judgement
	14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al., Trial
Courtroom II	08:30 – 13:15, Šešelj , Trial
	14:15 – 19:00, Gotovina et al., Trial
Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45, Popović et al. , Trial

FRIDAY 18 JULY

Courtroom I	09:00 – 13:45, Prlić et al. , Trial
	14:15 – 19:00, Gotovina et al., Motion Hearing
Courtroom II	09:00 – 13:45, Gotovina et al., Trial
Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45, Popović et al. , Trial

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Date	Number	Title	E	F	B/C/S
10/07/2008	1270	BOŠKOSKI ACQUITTED AND TARČULOVSKI SENTENCED	Е		B/C/S
		TO 12 YEARS' IMPRISONMENT			
		http://www.un.org/icty/pressreal/2008/pr1270e.htm			
11/07/2008	1271	DRAGOLJUB OJDANIĆ GRANTED PROVISIONAL RELEASE	Е		B/C/S
		http://www.un.org/icty/pressreal/2008/pr1271e.htm			
11/07/2008	1272	MIĆO STANIŠIĆ GRANTED PROVISIONAL RELEASE	Е		B/C/S
		http://www.un.org/icty/pressreal/2008/pr1272e.htm			

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