UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA



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PROCEDURAL DEVELOPMENTS

I. <u>OVERVIEW OF COURT PROCEEDINGS</u>

POPOVIĆ et al. Case

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

Procedural matters

On 29 May 2009, the parties discussed evidentiary/procedural matters.

GOTOVINA et al. Case

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

Examination of a witness re-called by the Prosecution

On 25 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• *Marko Rajčić* (Chief of Artillery of the Split Military District of the Croatian Army during the relevant period)

Commencement of the Defence case

On 27 May 2009, the parties met before the Chamber for a Pre-Defence Conference.

On 28 and 29 May 2009, the Defences of Ivan Čermak and Mladen Markač, respectively, made their opening statements.

PRLIĆ et al. Case

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

Continuation of the Defence case (Slobodan Praljak)

From 25 until 28 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• Slobodan Praljak (one of the accused)

PERIŠIĆ Case

Trial Chamber I – Judges Moloto (Presiding), David and Picard

Continuation of the Prosecution case

On 25 May 2009, the following witness testified:

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• **Dragomir Vasić** (Police Chief in the Zvornik area during the relevant period)

From 26 until 28 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• **Richard Butler** (military expert)

ĐORĐEVIĆ Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Parker (Presiding), Flügge and Baird

Continuation of the Prosecution case

On 25 and 26 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• *Milazim Thaci* (eye-witness/survivor of the alleged massacre in the village of Izbica in Kosovo)

On 26 and 27 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• **Bajram Bucaliu** (eye-witness from Uroševac/Ferizaj, Kosovo)

On 27 and 28 May 2009, the following witness testified (closed session):

• Witness K-86

On 29 May 2009, the following witness testified:

• **Richard Ciaglinski** (member of the OSCE Kosovo Verification Mission during the relevant period)

ŠEŠELJ Case ("Contempt")

Trial Chamber II – Judges Kwon (Presiding), Bonomy and Parker

Commencement of the trial

On 29 May 2009, the Prosecution made its opening statement and presented its evidence against Vojislav Šešelj.

II. OVERVIEW OF SELECTED COURT DOCUMENTS

MILUTINOVIĆ et al. Case

Appeals Chamber – Judges Daqun (Presiding), Güney, Pocar, Vaz and Meron

PUBLIC REDACTED VERSION OF THE "DECISION ON VLADIMIR LAZAREVIĆ'S SECOND MOTION FOR TEMPORARY PROVISIONAL RELEASE ON THE GROUNDS OF COMPASSION" ISSUED ON 21 MAY 2009

On 22 May 2009, the Appeals Chamber granted the motion by Vladimir Lazarević for provisional release from 25 May until 25 June 2009.

HARADINAJ et al. Case

Appeals Chamber – Judges Robinson (Presiding), Pocar, Daqun, Vaz and Meron

DECISION ON LAHI BRAHIMAJ'S APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL RELEASE

On 25 May 2009, the Appeals Chamber granted in part the motion by Lahi Brahimaj for provisional release pending the hearing of the appeal.

STANIŠIĆ&ŽUPLJANIN Case

Judge Harhoff

SCHEDULING ORDER FOR A STATUS CONFERENCE AND ORDER RECALLING THE ACCUSED FROM PROVISIONAL RELEASE

On 26 May 2009, Judge Harhoff ordered that a Status Conference shall be held on 9 June 2009 at 14:15. Furthermore, a second Status Conference shall be held on 12 June 2009 to oversee the progress made by the parties in accordance with the guidance provided at the first Conference. The accused Mićo Stanišić is ordered to return to the UN Detention Unit by 8 June 2009 in order to attend the Status Conferences.

POPOVIĆ et al. Case

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

CONSOLIDATED DECISION ON MOTION ON BEHALF OF MILAN GVERO SEEKING AN ADJOURNMENT AND POPOVIĆ'S REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE FOR THE FINAL BRIEF

On 27 May 2009, Trial Chamber II granted in part motions by the accused Gvero and Popović and ordered that the accused in this case shall file their final briefs by no later than 20 July 2009 and that the Trial Chamber shall hear the closing arguments from 24 August 2009.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 1 JUNE – 5 JUNE 2009*

MONDAY 1 JUNE

No trials - UN Holiday

TUESDAY 2 JUNE

Courtroom I	09:00 – 13:45, Gotovina et al. , Trial
	14:15 – 17:30, Stanišić&Simatović, Pre-Trial Conference
Courtroom II	14:15 – 19:00, Đorđević , Trial
Courtroom III	14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al. , Trial

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WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE

Courtroom I	09:00 – 13:45, Đorđević , Trial
	14:15 – 19:00, Karadžić, Status Conference *end time is tentative
Courtroom II	14:15 – 19:00, Gotovina et al., Trial
Courtroom III	14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al. , Trial

THURSDAY 4 JUNE

Courtroom I	09:00 – 13:45, Đorđević , Trial
Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45, Gotovina et al., Trial *time to be confirmed
	14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al. , Trial

FRIDAY 5 JUNE

Courtroom I	09:00 – 13:45, Đorđević , Trial
Courtroom III	09:00 – 13:45, Gotovina et al. , Trial

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Date	Number	Title	E	F	B/C/S
28/05/2009	1318	TRIBUNAL'S PRINCIPALS ADDRESS DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY http://www.icty.org/sid/10144	E	F	B/C/S
28/05/2009	1319	MANUAL ON DEVELOPED PRACTICES LAUNCHED http://www.icty.org/sid/10145	E	F	B/C/S

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