



International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

Tribunal Pénal International pour l'ex-Yougoslavie

ICTY WEEKLY UPDATE-58

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

TADIC CASE

APPEAL HEARINGS RESCHEDULED:

Following the filing by the Defence of a Motion to file amendments to the Notice of appeal and the Appellant's Brief, the Appeals Chamber issued on 8 December an order scheduling a hearing on this issue on 25 January 1999 and stating that "dates for hearing oral argument on the appeal, cross-appeal and appeal on sentencing shall be set as soon as practicable thereafter".

UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

In a letter to the personnel of the ICTY distributed on the day of the 50th Anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the President of the ICTY, Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald wrote the following: ... "Yet, the half century since the Declaration's adoption has been characterised by massive, systematic human rights abuses throughout the world, from Argentina to Rwanda to Iraq to Cambodia to Vietnam. The failure to follow the proclamations with effective tools to enforce human rights has meant that tens of millions of people, the majority of them civilians, have been tortured, raped and killed.

The Tribunals created in response to the tragedies in the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda are the first signs that this is changing. The international community is finally enforcing its laws. While the conflicts were not prevented, there should be justice for those who were their victims. And in spite of the difficulties that we have faced, we have proved that international justice can be a reality. The establishment of a permanent International Criminal Court last summer is a tribute to the work of this institution. It brings nearer the dream that future generations will be free from conflict, safe in the knowledge that they will be protected from those who seek to trample on their rights."...

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: MONDAY 14 DECEMBER TO FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 1998*

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Courtroom I	10.00, TC I	10.00, TC I		10.00, TC I	9.45-13.30, TC I
	Blaskic trial	Blaskic trial	No proceedings	Blaskic trial	Blaskic trial
	14.30, TC I	14.30, TC I	14.00, TC I	14.30, TC I	
	Blaskic trial	Blaskic trial	Blaskic Ex parte	Blaskic trial	No proceedings
			(without accused)		
			motion hearing,		
			followed by trial		

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