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Due to the Easter weekend (2-5 April 1999) the next Update will be issued on 9 April 1999.

LAST MINUTE NEWS

KRNOJELAC CASE:

PROSECUTION TO PRODUCE AMENDED INDICTMENT BY 23 APRIL 1999

On 25 March 1999, Trial Chamber II, presided over by Judge Hunt, granted a Prosecution Motion (see Update No. 70) and ordered that an amended indictment be filed and served on or before 23 April 1999.

JELISIC CASE:

TRIAL TO RESUME IN JUNE

Following a status conference held behind closed doors on 18 March 1999, Trial Chamber I, presided over by Judge Jorda, issued on 23 March 1999 an Order. Considering the Accused explicitly refused to accept that the Chamber deal with the counts on which he pleaded guilty prior to the completion of his trial on the count of genocide, the Trial Chamber ordered the resumption of the Prosecution case and announced that the Trial Chamber, including Judge Riad, would be able to further hear the case as of mid-June 1999.

ADDITIONAL PROSECUTION WITNESS

On 24 March 1999, the Prosecutor filed a Motion to call a new witness for the count of genocide. According to the Motion, *"the witness was the Imam of Brezovo Polje from 1 November 1973 until 17 June 1992. The witness will show Goran Jelasic's genocidal intent (...)"*.

"KORDIC AND CERKEZ" CASE:

PROVISIONAL RELEASE DENIED

On 22 March 1999, Trial Chamber III, presided over by Judge May, denied the provisional request of the accused (see Update No. 65 and No. 67). The Chamber considered that *"the length of pre-trial detention in this case does not amount to an exceptional circumstance,... that although the Chamber bears in mind the practical difficulties faced by the Defence in the preparation of this case due to the large amount of recently disclosed materials, this does not constitute an exceptional circumstance,... and that the accused failed to establish that any exceptional circumstances exist to justify release in this case"*.

The Decision also specifies that *"the trial is due to commence on 12 April 1999, and that the trial must proceed fairly and expeditiously"*.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: MONDAY 29 MARCH TO FRIDAY 9 APRIL 1999*

	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 1	Friday 2
Courtroom III	Official UN-holiday	10.00, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	10.00, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	10.00, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	Good Friday
	Official UN-holiday	14.30, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	14.30, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	14.30, Appeals Ch. Tadic R77 hearing	Good Friday
	Monday 5	Tuesday 6	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 9
Courtroom I	Easter Monday	10.00 TC I Blaskic Trial	No proceedings	10.00 TC I Blaskic Trial	9.00-13.30 TC I Blaskic Trial
	Easter Monday	14.30, TC I Blaskic Trial	13.30-17.30, TC I Blaskic Trial	14.30, TC I Blaskic Trial	No proceedings

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