UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA



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PROCEDURAL DEVELOPMENTS:

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

MILOŠEVIĆ Case ("Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina")

Trial Chamber III – Judges May (Presiding), Robinson and Kwon

38th week of the Prosecution case.

From 25 August until 29 August 2003, the following witnesses were examined by the Prosecution and subsequently cross-examined by the Accused and one of the *amici curiae*:

- Protected Witness Dražen Erdemović (voice and face distortion)
- Witness Colonel Colm Doyle
- Witness Stipan Kraljević
- Protected Witness C-1175 (not cross-examined by an *amicus curiae*)
- Protected Witness C-1071
- Witness Ana Bičanić (not cross-examined by an *amicus curiae*)
- Witness Luka Šutalo
- Witness Josip Josipović
- Protected Witness B-1054
- Protected Witness B-1505

BRÐANIN Case ("Krajina")

Trial Chamber II Section A – Judges Agius (Presiding), Janů and Taya

 46^{th} week of the Prosecution case.

Due to the illness of the scheduled witness, the hearing of 27 August 2003 was cancelled. On 28 August and 29 August 2003, the hearings took place mainly in closed session.

RAŠEVIĆ Case ("Foča")

Duty Judge Pocar

Following his transfer to the Tribunal on 15 August 2003 (see *Press Release* No. 775), Mitar Rašević appeared before Judge Pocar for his initial appearance. He did not enter a plea at this date. A date for a further initial appearance will be scheduled within 30 days.

STRUGAR and JOKIĆ Case ("Dubrovnik")

Trial Chamber I – Judges Orie (Presiding), El Mahdi and Martín Canivell

On 27 August 2003, the parties appeared before the Trial Chamber for a hearing on a joint motion for the consideration of Plea Agreement between Miodrag Jokić and the Office of the Prosecutor. Miodrag Jokić pleaded guilty to the six counts of violations of the laws or customs of war of the Second Amended Indictment (see *Press Release* No. 776).

NALETILIĆ and MARTINOVIĆ Case ("Tuta and Štela")

Pre-Appeal Judge Pocar

On 29 August 2003, the parties appeared before the Pre-Appeal Judge for a Status Conference pursuant to Rule 65 *bis* (B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

II. OVERVIEW OF SELECTED COURT DOCUMENTS:

MRĐA Case ("Vlasić Mountain")

Trial Chamber – Judges Orie (Presiding), El Mahdi and Martín Canivell

SCHEDULING ORDER

On 1 August 2003, the Trial Chamber ordered that the Prosecutor and the Defense file their sentencing briefs and statements of witnesses on whom they intend to rely by 8 September 2003 and that the Sentencing Hearing be held on Monday 22 September 2003 at 9 a.m.

On 28 August 2003, the Defence filed a motion to request that the deadline for the filing of Sentencing Briefs and witness statements be extended to 8 October 2003 and that the sentencing hearing take place on 22 October 2003. The motion is under consideration before the Trial Chamber.

KVOČKA et al. Case ("Omarska, Keraterm and Trnopolje Camps")

President of the Tribunal – Judge Meron

ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT IN RESPONSE TO MIROSLAV KVOČKA'S REQUEST FOR PARDON

On 7 August 2003, the President of the Tribunal dismissed Miroslav Kvočka's Request for Granting of Pardon filed on 31 July 2003. The President noted that a petition for provisional release should be filed before the Appeals Chamber.

STRUGAR and JOKIĆ Case ("Dubrovnik")

Duty Judge Pocar

DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On 19 August 2003, the Duty Judge granted the Prosecution 15 August 2003 Motion for extension of time and ordered *inter alia* that the Trial commence on 9 October 2003.

ŠLJIVANČANIN Case ("Vukovar Hospital")

President of the Tribunal – Judge Meron

DECISION ON ASSIGNMENT OF DEFENCE COUNSEL

On 20 August 2003, the President of the Tribunal quashed the Registrar's Decision of 9 July 2003 refusing to assign Veselin Šljivančanin's Defence counsel of his own choice. The President remanded the matter back to the Registrar for reconsideration in light of this Decision.

Dragan NIKOLIĆ Case ("Sušica Camp")

Trial Chamber II – Judges Schomburg (Presiding), Mumba and Agius

SCHEDULING ORDER

On 28 August 2003, the Trial Chamber ordered, *inter alia*, that the Pre-Trial Conference be held on 16 September 2003 at 9.30 a.m. and further ordered that the trial start on 22 September 2003.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: *1 SEPTEMBER - 5 SEPTEMBER 2003

MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, Milošević, Trial

TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, **Milošević**, Trial 15:00 - 17:30, **Milošević**, Pre-Defence Conference

WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

Courtroom I09:00 - 13:45, Milošević, Trial
14:30, Banović, Sentencing HearingCourtroom III10:00 - 13:45, Vasiljević, Status Conference

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THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

Courtroom I 09:00 - 13:45, Milošević, Trial

FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

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PRESS RELEASES ISSUED SINCE 31 JULY 2003

DATE	NUMBER	TITLE	Ε	F	B/C/S
15/08/2003	775	MITAR RAŠEVIĆ TRANSFERRED TO THE ICTY DETENTION UNIT	Е		B/C/S
27/08/2003	776	MIODRAG JOKIĆ PLEADS GUILTY TO SIX COUNTS OF VIOLATIONS OF THE LAWS OR CUSTOMS OF WAR	E		B/C/S

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