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Case No. IT-00-41-PT

*Prosecutor v. Paško Ljubičić*

## DECISION

## THE REGISTRAR,

**CONSIDERING** the Statute of the Tribunal as adopted by the Security Council under Resolution 827 (1993), and in particular Article 21 thereof;

**CONSIDERING** the Rules of Procedure and Evidence as adopted by the Tribunal on 11 February 1994, as subsequently amended, and in particular Rules 44 and 45 thereof;

**CONSIDERING** the Directive on Assignment of Defence Counsel (hereinafter "the Directive") as adopted by the Tribunal on 28 July 1994, as subsequently amended, and in particular, Articles 6, 8, 10, and 16 thereof;

**CONSIDERING** that on 15 April 2003, Mr. Tomislav Jonjić, assigned counsel to Mr. Paško Ljubičić (hereinafter "the accused") by a decision of the Registrar dated 22 March 2002, requested the assignment of Ms. Nika Pinter, Attorney at law from Zagreb, as co-counsel for the accused;

**CONSIDERING** that Ms. Pinter is currently assigned as legal assistant in *The Prosecutor v. Martinović & Naletilić* pending before the Tribunal;

**CONSIDERING** however, that under article 9 of the Code of Professional Conduct for Counsel Appearing Before the International Tribunal (hereinafter "the Code of Conduct"), defence counsel has a duty to ensure that no conflict of interest arises;

**CONSIDERING** that the Registry has ascertained that there is no conflict of interest resulting from the assignment of Ms. Pinter as co-counsel for the accused;

**CONSIDERING** that the trial of the accused is scheduled to begin in the coming months;

**CONSIDERING** that on the basis of Article 16 (C) of the Directive, the Registrar may assign a second counsel to assist the lead counsel in the interests of justice;

**CONSIDERING** that Ms. Pinter meets the requirements for assignment as set forth in Article 14 of the Directive;

**DECIDES** to assign Ms. Pinter as co-counsel for the accused, effective as of 31 July 2003.

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Hans Holthuis,  
Registrar

Dated this Thirty-first day of July 2003  
At The Hague  
The Netherlands