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International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991

Case No.: IT-95-5/18-T

12 November 2009

Original: English

## IN THE TRIAL CHAMBER

Before:

Judge O-Gon Kwon, Presiding Judge

Judge Howard Morrison Judge Melville Baird

Judge Flavia Lattanzi, Reserve Judge

Registrar:

Mr. John Hocking

Decision of:

12 November 2009

## PROSECUTOR,

v.

# RADOVAN KARADŽIĆ

#### **PUBLIC**

DECISION ON MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSE: RULE 92 QUATER SUBMISSIONS: BABIĆ & DERONJIĆ

## Office of the Prosecutor

Mr. Alan Tieger

Ms. Hildegard Uertz-Retzlaff

## The Accused

Mr. Radovan Karadžić

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THIS TRIAL CHAMBER of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991 ("Tribunal") is seised of the "Motion for Extension of Time to File Response: Rule 92 *quater* Submissions: Babic & Deronjic," filed by the Accused on 11 November 2009 ("Motion for Extension of Time"), and hereby renders its decision thereon.

- 1. The Accused seeks an extension of time to respond to the "Prosecution's Further Submissions for Admission of the Evidence of KDZ172 Pursuant to Rule 92 *Quater*" and the "Prosecution's Further Submission for Admission of KDZ297's Evidence Pursuant to Rule 92 *Quater*," both filed on 15 October 2009 ("Prosecution's Submissions"). The Trial Chamber ordered the Accused to respond to the Prosecution's Submissions by 12 November 2009. In his Motion for Extension of Time, the Accused submits that his legal advisor, Mr. Peter Robinson, has been working on the responses but has suspended his work as of 10 November 2009, due to a dispute with the Registrar regarding compensation. Therefore, the Accused argues that he is not in a position to file timely responses. He requests an extension of time until three working days after the Tribunal's Office of Legal Aid and Detention determines that the trial phase of the case has started and agrees to compensate members of his defence team. In light of the urgency of this matter, the Trial Chamber is issuing this Decision without hearing from the Prosecution.
- 2. Irrespective of the issue of remuneration of the Accused's legal team, which is a matter that has been raised with the Tribunal's President, and the fact that it is for the Accused to organise the work of his team in such a way that all deadlines are met, the Trial Chamber is satisfied that it is in the interests of justice to grant some limited extension of time to the Accused. In light of the Accused's submission that his responses are almost completed, the Chamber considers that an additional 14 days are sufficient for the Accused to finalise and file his responses. Therefore, the Trial Chamber will grant him an extension of time to 26 November 2009 to file his responses.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Motion for Extension of Time, para. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order for Further Submissions Concerning Prosecution's Motions for Admission of Rule 92 *Quarter* Evidence, 21 August 2009, para. 7.

3. Accordingly, pursuant to Rules 54 and 127 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence, the Chamber hereby **GRANTS** the Motion for Extension of Time in part and **ORDERS** the Accused to submit his responses to the Prosecution's Submissions by no later than 26 November 2009.

Done in English and French, the English text being authoritative.

Judge O-Gon Kwon

Presiding

Dated this twelfth day of November 2009 At The Hague The Netherlands

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Motion for Extension of Time, paras. 3, 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Motion for Extension of Time, para. 7.