



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-00-39-A
Date: 11 July 2007
Original: English

BEFORE THE PRE-APPEAL JUDGE

Before: Judge Theodor Meron, Pre-Appeal Judge

Registrar: Mr. Hans Holthuis

Order of: 11 July 2007

PROSECUTOR

v.

MOMČILO KRAJIŠNIK

PUBLIC

ORDER VARYING TIME LIMITS

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Mr. Peter Kremer QC

The Appellant

Mr. Momčilo Krajišnik

Amicus Curiae

Mr. Colin Nicholls QC

I, THEODOR MERON, Judge of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (“Tribunal”), and Pre-Appeal Judge in this case,

NOTING that pursuant to the Appeals Chamber’s “Decision on Momčilo Krajišnik’s Request to Self-Represent, on Counsel’s Motions in Relation to Appointment of *Amicus Curiae*, and on the Prosecution Motion of 16 February 2007”, filed 11 May 2007 (“11 May Decision”), Mr. Colin Nicholls, who is acting as *amicus curiae* in this case, has until 25 July to file an Appeal Brief;¹

NOTING that this deadline was maintained in the Appeals Chamber’s “Decision Regarding Registry Submission of 18 May 2007”, filed 25 May 2007 (“25 May Decision”);²

BEING SEIZED of *amicus curiae*’s “Motion for Extension of Time for Filing Appellate Brief”, filed 9 July 2007 (“Motion”), in which *amicus curiae* reiterates the oral request he made at the Status Conference of 5 July 2007 for a nine-day extension of the deadline for his Appeal Brief;

NOTING that in explaining his request for additional time, *amicus curiae* emphasizes that his official appointment did not occur until 8 June 2007, that his team was not assigned until 15 June 2007, and that, as former counsel to Momčilo Krajišnik, he had to spend several additional days in ensuring the proper transfer of files from his control to Momčilo Krajišnik’s control;³

CONSIDERING that the Prosecution does not oppose the Motion⁴ and has further informed me that it does not intend to file a response to the Motion;

CONSIDERING that while the initial briefing deadlines were set by the Appeals Chamber, as Pre-Appeal Judge I have the authority to modify these deadlines;⁵

RECALLING that in Status Conference of 5 July 2007, I explained that “in light of the slow pace [of the case to date], I will be particularly reluctant to grant any motions that will have the effect of delaying the proceedings further”;⁶

CONSIDERING that, as the Prosecution pointed out at the Status Conference of 5 July 2007,⁷ *amicus curiae*’s request for an extension is unlikely to delay the proceedings materially, since the

¹ See 11 May Decision, paras 23, 27.

² 25 May Decision, fn. 6.

³ Motion, para. 13.

⁴ Transcript of 5 July 2007 Status Conference, p. 114.

⁵ Cf. 11 May Decision, para. 21 (setting forth the guiding conditions for *amicus curiae* “[in] the absence of other instructions from the Pre-Appeal Judge or the Appeals Chamber”).

⁶ Transcript of 5 July 2007 Status Conference, p. 101.

⁷ Transcript of 5 July 2007 Status Conference, pp. 114-115.

revised deadline for *amicus curiae* would nonetheless come well before the deadlines applicable to Momčilo Krajišnik;

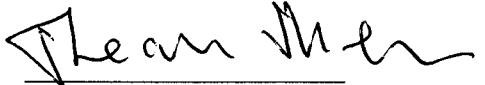
CONSIDERING FURTHER that the extension sought by *amicus curiae* is a relatively short one and that *amicus curiae* reasonably explains why, through no fault of his own, the time available to him to prepare his Appeal Brief under the existing deadline is somewhat shorter than was foreseen at the time of the 11 May Decision and the 25 May Decision;

DETERMINING that these factors, in conjunction, provide good cause for the Motion to be granted;

HEREBY GRANT the Motion and **EXTEND** by nine days the deadline for *amicus curiae* to file his Appeal Brief.

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

Dated this 11th day of July 2007,
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.



Judge Theodor Meron
Pre-Appeal Judge

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