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## UNITED NATIONS

International Tribunal for the<br/>Prosecution of Persons<br/>Responsible for Serious Violations of<br/>International Humanitarian Law<br/>Committed in the Territory of the<br/>Former Yugoslavia since 1991Case No.IT-95-13/1-ES<br/>12 June 2012International Former Yugoslavia since 1991Date:<br/>Original:12 June 2012

### THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRIBUNAL

**Before:** 

Judge Theodor Meron, President

**Registrar:** 

Mr. John Hocking

**Decision of:** 

12 June 2012

#### PROSECUTOR

v.

## VESELÎN ŠLJIVANČANIN

#### PUBLIC

## CORRIGENDUM TO AND DECISION ON MOTION FOR RECTIFICATION OF DECISION OF PRESIDENT ON EARLY RELEASE OF VESELIN ŠLJIVANČANIN

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**I, THEODOR MERON,** President 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");

**NOTING** the "Decision of President on Early Release of Veselin Šljivančanin" filed on 5 July 2011 ("Early Release Decision");

**BEING SEISED OF** the "Motion for Rectification of Šljivančanin's Early Release Decision" filed by Veselin Šljivančanin on 14 May 2012 ("Motion"), in which Mr. Šljivančanin submits that paragraph 10 of the Early Release Decision contains a factual error and requests rectification of that error;<sup>1</sup>

**NOTING** that the Prosecution has not filed a response to the Motion;

**NOTING** that Trial Chamber II of the Tribunal ("Trial Chamber") convicted Mr. Šljivančanin of a single count of "[t]orture, a violation of the laws or customs of war, under Article 3 of the Statute, for having aided and abetted the torture of prisoners of war at the hangar at Ovčara on 20 November 1991";<sup>2</sup>

**NOTING** that this conviction was affirmed by the Appeals Chamber of the Tribunal;<sup>3</sup>

**NOTING** that the Early Release Decision states that "the Trial Chamber convicted Mr. Šljivančanin, pursuant to Article 7(1) of the Statute, of a single count of persecution, as a violation of the laws or customs of war, under Article 3 of the Statute, for having aided and abetted the torture of prisoners of war at the hangar at Ovčara on 20 November 1991";<sup>4</sup>

**CONSIDERING** that the reference to Mr. Šljivančanin's conviction for "persecution" in paragraph 10 of the Early Release Decision constitutes an inadvertent clerical error;

#### HEREBY GRANT the Motion; and

**ORDER** that the word "persecution" in paragraph 10 of the Early Release Decision be replaced by the word "torture".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Motion, paras 1, 3-4, 8, p. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prosecutor v. Mile Mrkšić et al., Case No. IT-95-13/1-T, Judgement, 27 September 2007 ("Trial Judgement"), para. 715.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Prosecutor v. Mile Mrkšić and Veselin Šljivančanin, Case No. IT-95-13/1-A, Judgement, 5 May 2009, p. 169. See also Prosecutor v. Veselin Šljivančanin, Case No. IT-95-13/1-R.1, Review Judgement, 8 December 2010, para. 37.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Early Release Decision, para. 10, *referring to* Trial Judgement, para. 715.

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

Dated this 12th day of June 2012, At The Hague, The Netherlands.

rein Mr

Judge Theodor Meron President

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