



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-08-91-T  
Date: 25 April 2012  
Original: English

**IN TRIAL CHAMBER II**

**Before:** Judge Burton Hall, Presiding  
Judge Guy Delvoie  
Judge Frederik Harhoff

**Registrar:** Mr. John Hocking

**Decision of:** 25 April 2012

**PROSECUTOR**

*v.*

**MIĆO STANIŠIĆ AND STOJAN ŽUPLJANIN**

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**DECISION DENYING ŽUPLJANIN DEFENCE MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF  
WORD LIMIT FOR FINAL TRIAL BRIEF**

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**TRIAL CHAMBER II** (“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”);

**BEING SEISED OF** the “Župljanin Defence Motion for an extension to the word limit for the Župljanin final trial brief”, filed on 12 April 2012 (“Motion”);

**NOTING** that paragraph 4 of the Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions (“Practice Direction”)<sup>1</sup> provides that final trial briefs will not exceed 60,000 words;

**NOTING** that on 18 January 2012 the Trial Chamber decided that the Župljanin Defence’s final trial brief shall not exceed 60,000 words<sup>2</sup> and affirmed this limit after having considered the Župljanin Defence’s oral request to exceed that limit and file a final trial brief of 90,000 words;<sup>3</sup>


**NOTING** that paragraph 7 of the Practice Direction requires the party seeking authorisation to exceed the relevant word limit to demonstrate to the Chamber exceptional circumstances that necessitate the oversized filing;

**CONSIDERING** that the Župljanin Defence has not established that there are exceptional circumstances that necessitate the filing of a final trial brief in excess of the 60,000 word limit;

**PURSUANT TO** Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence and the Practice Direction,

**HEREBY DENIES** the Motion.

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

  
Judge Burton Hall  
Presiding

Dated this 25th day of April 2012

At The Hague

The Netherlands

[Seal of the Tribunal]

<sup>1</sup> IT/184/Rev. 2, 16 September 2005.

<sup>2</sup> Hearing, 18 January 2012, T. 26671-26672. *See also* Order on final trial briefs and closing arguments, 30 March 2012, p. 1.

<sup>3</sup> Hearing, 18 January 2012, T. 26676-26677, 26687.