



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-03-67-R77.3-A

Date: 6 March 2012

Original: English

IN THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before: Judge Arlette Ramaroson, Pre-Appeal Judge
Registrar: Mr. John Hocking
Decision: 6 March 2012

PROSECUTOR

v.

VOJISLAV ŠEŠELJ

PUBLIC

**DECISION ON *AMICUS CURIAE* PROSECUTOR'S REQUEST
TO APPEAR VIA VIDEO-CONFERENCE LINK**

Amicus Curiae Prosecutor:
Mr. Bruce MacFarlane

Mr. Vojislav Šešelj

I, **Arlette Ramaroson**, Judge of the Appeals 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 (“Appeals Chamber” and “Tribunal”, respectively) and Pre-Appeal Judge in this case;

NOTING the “Scheduling Order”, filed on 7 February 2012, which scheduled a status conference in the present case on Friday, 9 March 2012, at 10:00 a.m.;

NOTING the “*Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor’s Notice of Request to Appear via Video-Conference Link”, filed on 5 March 2012 (“Request”);

CONSIDERING that the *Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor, in his Request, has stated that a personal family emergency unexpectedly arose last week which requires his presence in the United States in the coming weeks;

CONSIDERING that Rules 65 *bis* (C) and 81 *bis* of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Tribunal (“Rules”) provide the possibility for counsel to participate in a status conference via video-conference link;

CONSIDERING that, at present, there is no need for the *Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor to be physically present at the upcoming status conference;¹

PURSUANT TO Rules 54, 65 *bis*, 81 *bis*, and 107 of the Rules;

¹ I find it appropriate in the present circumstances to decide the Request without a response because no prejudice will incur to Mr. Šešelj by allowing the *Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor to participate via video-conference link.

HEREBY GRANT the Request and **REQUEST** that the Registry make the necessary arrangements for the *Amicus Curiae* Prosecutor to participate in the status conference scheduled on Friday, 9 March 2012, at 10:00 a.m., in Courtroom 1 via video-conference link.

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

Dated this sixth day of March 2012,
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.



Arlette Ramaroson
Pre-Appeal Judge

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