UNITED NATIONS

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-09-92-T

Date:

28 February 2017

Original:

English

IN TRIAL CHAMBER I

Before:

Judge Alphons Orie, Presiding Judge Bakone Justice Moloto Judge Christoph Flügge

Registrar:

Mr John Hocking

Decision of:

28 February 2017

PROSECUTOR

v.

RATKO MLADIĆ

PUBLIC

DECISION ON PROSECUTION REQUEST REGARDING FILING PUBLIC REDACTED BRIEFS

Office of the Prosecutor Mr Peter McCloskey Mr Alan Tieger Counsel for Ratko Mladić Mr Branko Lukić Mr Dragan Ivetić **TRIAL CHAMBER I** 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 ("Chamber" and "Tribunal", respectively);

BEING SEISED of a request by the Prosecution filed on 20 February 2017, seeking an order to temporarily classify as confidential the parties' upcoming public redacted final trial briefs in order to allow the parties an opportunity to review these filings for any breaches of confidentiality ("Request");¹

NOTING that, according to the Request, the Defence has informed the Prosecution that it does not object to this approach;²

CONSIDERING that the approach set out in the Request may unnecessarily clutter the record with various versions of the public redacted final trial briefs;

CONSIDERING that the envisioned reviews for any breaches of confidentiality could more appropriately be achieved by the parties informally exchanging draft versions prior to filing their public redacted final trial briefs;

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS

PURSUANT TO Rule 54 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence;

DENIES the Request; and

ENCOURAGES the parties to resolve any confidentiality issues related to their public redacted final trial briefs prior to filing.

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

Judge Alphons Orie

Dated this twenty-eighth day of February 2017 At The Hague The Netherlands

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Prosecution Request Regarding Filing Public Redacted Briefs, 20 February 2017, paras 1, 3-4.

Request, para. 1. On the basis of this submission, the Chamber decided to dispose of the Request without awaiting any Defence response.