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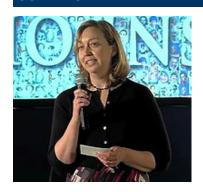
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OUTREACH

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Outreach Programme launches university lecture series in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia

The Tribunal's Outreach Programme launched a series of university lectures in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) as part of its region-wide project to make contact with students across the former Yugoslavia.

In BiH, Svetlana Martynova, Legal Officer in ICTY Chambers, delivered lectures in Sarajevo and Travnik. While Michelle Jarvis, Senior Legal Advisor to the Prosecutor and Senior Appeals Counsel in the Office of the Prosecutor, addressed students in Belgrade and Novi Sad, Serbia.

Commenting on the value of the lectures, Zijad Šehić, Professor at the History Department of the Sarajevo Faculty of Philosophy, said: "I greatly appreciate the opportunity given to our students to learn more and expand their horizons as many will be carrying out future research on

topics related to the work of the Tribunal. In my frequent discussions with them, the students have expressed an interest in learning more about the Tribunal first-hand as to date they have only had an opportunity to follow its work through TV reports from The Hague."

The lectures in BiH and Serbia follow similar series of talks which have been given Kosovo, Croatia and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

As the ICTY moves towards the completion of its mandate, the Outreach Programme

is intensifying its efforts to increase the access of local communities to information on the Tribunal's work. In doing so, the Outreach Programme seeks to cement the Tribunal's legacy throughout the region of the former Yugoslavia.

The Outreach Programme benefits from the continuous support of the European Union and its work with young people in the former Yugoslavia is generously supported by the Finnish government.

IN THE COURTROOMS

2 & 8 May 2012



Haradinaj et al. closing arguments scheduled

At a status conference in the Haradinaj et al. re-trial, all three Defence teams informed the Chamber that they would not be filing motions for acquittal in accordance with Rule 98bis of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and Evidence.

Ramush Haradinaj and Lahi Brahimaj also confirmed that they did not intend to present defence cases. Idriz Balaj informed the Chamber that he would also not be presenting a defence case, subject to an agreement with the Prosecution concerning medical evidence.

On 8 May, the Chamber issued a scheduling order in which it confirmed that none of the defendants in would be presenting a defence case, and that therefore final trial briefs are to be filed by 11 June, and closing arguments will be heard on 25 and 26 June.

SECURITY COUNCIL REPORTS

3 & 9 May 2012



Prosecutor visits Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina

In preparation for his reports to the UN Security Council, Prosecutor Serge Brammertz recently travelled to Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina to discuss state co-operation with his Office and the prosecution of war crimes at the national level.

In Zagreb, the Prosecutor met with Neven Mimica, the Deputy Prime Minister for Home, Foreign and European Affairs, and Orsat Miljenic, the Minister of Justice. He also met with State Prosecutor Mladen Bajić .

In Sarajevo, Brammertz met with the presidency, the Office of the Prosecutor of BiH, the president of the State Court, the president of the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council, other members of the judiciary, the High Representative, the EU Special Representative and representatives of the diplomatic community.

The Prosecutor will also be traveling to Serbia in the coming weeks, prior to submitting his report to the Security Council.

RESIDUAL MECHANISM

8 May 2012



More Residual Mechanism judges sworn in

Nine Arusha-based judges were recently sworn in as Residual Mechanism judges by Mechanism registrar John Hocking, at a ceremony presided over by Mechanism president Judge Theodor Meron. The nine judges were: Florence Arrey, Solomy Bossa, Vagn Prüsse Joensen, Gberdao Kam, Joseph Masanche, Lee Muthoga, Seon Park, Mparany Rajohnson, and William Sekule.

23 of the 25 judges elected to the bench of the Residual Mechanism have now been sworn in.