



### NATIONS UNIES TRIBUNAL PÉNAL INTERNATIONAL OUR L'EX-YOUGOSLAVIE

26 May 2006

# **ICTY WEEKLY UPDATE – 403**

### PROCEDURAL DEVELOPMENTS

#### I. OVERVIEW OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

### MARTIĆ Case

Trial Chamber I – Judges Moloto (Presiding), Nosworthy and Höpfel

### **Continuation of the Prosecution case**

On 22 May 2006 the trial was conducted in closed session.

From 23 May until 25 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution and subsequently cross-examined by the Defence:

Witness MM-078

On 26 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution:

Witness John McElligott (member of the United Nations Protection Force in Croatia during the relevant period)

### MRKŠIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber II - Judges Parker (Presiding), Thelin and Van Den Wyngaert

### **Continuation of the Prosecution case**

On 22 May 2006, the following witness testified in closed session:

Protected witness

From 23 May until 24 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution, subsequently cross-examined by the Defence and then re-examined by the Prosecution:

Witness Davor Strinović (Croatian forensic pathologist)

From 25 May until 26 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution, subsequently cross-examined by the Defence and then re-examined by the Prosecution:

Witness Florence Hartmann (journalist during the relevant period)

### **KRAJIŠNIK Case**

Trial Chamber I - Judges Orie (Presiding), Canivell and Hanoteau

### **Continuation of the Defence case**

From 22 May until 25 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Defence:

Witness Momčilo Krajišnik (the accused)

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### PRLIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Antonetti (Presiding), Prandler, Trechsel and Mindua (Ad Litem Reserve Judge)

### **Continuation of the Prosecution case**

From 22 May until 23 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution and subsequently cross-examined by the Defence:

• Witness Fahrudin Rizvanbegović (University Professor from the city of Stolac)

From 23 May until 24 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution, subsequently cross-examined by the Defence and then re-examined by the Prosecution:

Witness BI

From 24 May until 25 May 2006, the following witness was examined by the Prosecution and subsequently cross-examined by the Defence:

• Witness Seid Smajkić (Mufti in Mostar)

## ČERMAK & MARKAČ Case

Pre-Trial Judge Parker

On 24 May 2006, the parties met before the Pre-Trial Judge for a Status Conference pursuant to Rule 65bis of the Rules. The accused were not present (provisional release).

### II. OVERVIEW OF SELECTED COURT DOCUMENTS

### MRKŠIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber II – Judges Parker (Presiding), Van Den Wyngaert and Thelin

# DECISION ON MOTION SEEKING CLARIFICATION WITH REGARD TO COUNT 1 OF THE INDICTMENT

On 19 May 2006, Trial Chamber II concluded that the indictment is not adequately framed to charge the "Velepromet" events as forming part of the persecutions charged in count 1, and further that the context in which the "Velepromet" events are mentioned in the indictment is that of the accused being aware of crimes allegedly committed, and none other.

### STRUGAR Case

Appeals Chamber – Judges Pocar (Presiding), Güney, Vaz, Meron and Schomburg

### SCHEDULING ORDER TEMPORARILY CANCELLING APPEALS HEARING

On 24 May 2006, pursuant to Rule 114 of the Rules, the Appeals Chamber ordered that, due to unavailability of the Bench, the previous date for the hearing (1 June 2006) be cancelled and informed the parties that a new scheduling order would follow in due course.

### **RAJIĆ Case**

Referral Bench – Judges Orie (Presiding), Kwon and Parker

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# DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW THE MOTION UNDER RULE 11*BIS* FOR REFERRAL OF INDICTMENT AND THE REQUEST UNDER RULE 11*BIS* FOR REFERRAL OF THE INDICTMENT TO ANOTHER COURT

Following the plea agreement, after which the Trial Chamber sentenced Ivica Rajić to 12 years' imprisonment (the sentencing judgement was rendered on 8 May 2006), the Referral Bench on 25 May 2006 granted the Prosecution's motion to withdraw the motion under Rule 11bis for referral of the indictment and the request under Rule 11bis for referral of the indictment to another court, filed on 12 May 2006.

### MILUTINOVIĆ et al. Case

Trial Chamber III - Judges Bonomy (Presiding), Thelin and Höpfel

### ORDER SUSPENDING PROVISIONAL RELEASE OF EACH ACCUSED

On 26 May 2006, pursuant to Article 29 of the Statute and Rules 54 and 65 of the Rules, Trial Chamber III suspended, effective 4 July 2006, the provisional release of each accused and ordered, *inter alia*, that each accused shall return to the United Nations Detention Unit no later than 2:00pm on Tuesday, 4 July 2006.

### COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 29 MAY - 2 JUNE 2006\*

### **MONDAY 29 MAY**

Courtroom I 12:30 – 17:00, **Mrkšić&Radić&Šljivančanin**, Trial Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Krajišnik**, Trial

14:15 – 19:00, **Martić**, Trial

Courtroom III 14:15 – 19:00, Prlić et al., Trial

### **TUESDAY 30 MAY**

Courtroom I 09:30 – 16:30, Mrkšić&Radić&Šljivančanin, Trial

Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Krajišnik**, Trial

14:15 – 19:00, **Martić**, Trial

Courtroom III 09:00 – 17:15, **Prlić et al**., Trial

### WEDNESDAY 31 MAY

Courtroom I 09:30 – 16:30, Mrkšić&Radić&Šljivančanin, Trial

Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Krajišnik**, Trial

14:15 – 19:00, **Martić**, Trial

 $Courtroom \ III \qquad 09:00-17:15, \textbf{Prli\'e et al.}, Trial$ 

### THURSDAY 1 JUNE

Courtroom I 09:30 – 16:30, Mrkšić&Radić&Šljivančanin, Trial

Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Krajišnik**, Trial

14:15 – 19:00, **Martić**, Trial

 $Courtroom \, III \hspace{0.5cm} 09:00-13:45, \textbf{Prli\'c et al.}, Trial$ 

### FRIDAY 2 JUNE

Courtroom I 09:00 – 13:45, Mrkšić&Radić&Šljivančanin, Trial

Courtroom II 09:00 – 13:45, **Krajišnik**, Trial

14:15 – 19:00, **Martić**, Trial

Courtroom III 09:00 – 18:00, **Blagoje Simić**, Appeal hearing

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