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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

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Before: Judge Benjamin Mutanga Itoe

Registry: Mr. Robin Vincent

Decision of: 15 March 2003

THE PROSECUTOR

Against

SAMUEL HINGA NORMAN

CASE NO. SCSL - 2003 - 08 - I

REASONS FOR ORDERING A CLOSED SESSION

The Office of the Prosecutor:
Mr. David Crane
Mr. Jim Johnson

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THE SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE (the Special Court),

PRESIDED OVER BY Judge Benjamin Mutanga Itoe pursuant to the provisions of Rules 28 and 61 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“the Rules”);

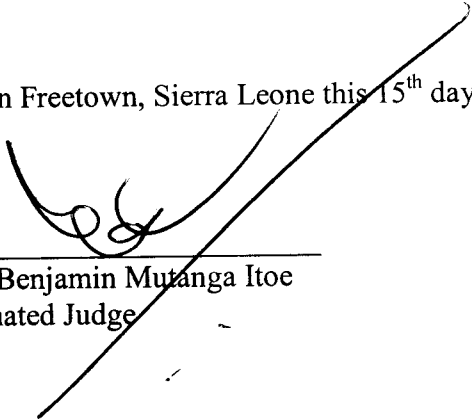
CONSIDERING the Order for the Disclosure of the Indictment and the Warrant of Arrest and Order for Transfer and Detention issued on 15 March 2003;

CONSIDERING the Under Seal Notice of Hearing for the Initial Appearance of the Accused on issued on 15 March 2003;

PURSUANT to Rule 79 (B) of the Rules, which provides that the Court shall make public the reasons for ordering a closed session;

HEREBY orders that the Initial Appearance of the Accused be held in closed session, excluding the press and public from the proceedings for reasons, as provided for in Rule 79(A)(iii), that publicity would prejudice the interests of justice.

Done in Freetown, Sierra Leone this 15th day of March, 2003



Judge Benjamin Mutanga Itoe
Designated Judge



Seal of the Special Court for Sierra Leone