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## SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

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## THE TRIAL CHAMBER

Before:

Judge Bankole Thompson, Presiding Judge

Judge Pierre Boutet Judge Mutanga Itoe

Registrar:

Robin Vincent

Date:

10th day of July 2003

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The Prosecutor against

Moinina Fofana

(Case No.SCSL-2002-11-PT)

ORDER ON THE DEFENCE OFFICE APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO PROSECUTION MOTION FOR IMMEDIATE PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES AND FOR NON-PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Office of the Prosecutor: Luc Côté, Chief of Prosecutions

**Defence Office:** Sylvain Roy, Acting Chief

Defence Counsel: Michiel Pestman

## THE SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE ("the Special Court")

SITTING as Trial Chamber ("the Trial Chamber"), composed of Judge Bankole Thompson, Presiding Judge, Judge Pierre Boutet, and Judge Benjamin Mutanga Itoe;

CONSIDERING the Prosecution Motion for Immediate Protective Measures for Witnesses and Victims and for Non-Public Disclosure and Urgent Request for Interim Measures until Appropriate Protective Measures are in Place of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2003 ("the Motion for Protective Measures");

CONSIDERING the Decision of the Registrar of the 8th day of July 2003 and the Corrigendum thereof of the 9th day of July 2003 to provisionally assign Mr. Michiel Pestman as Defence Counsel for Moinina Fofana ("the Accused);

BEING SEIZED of the Defence Office Application for an Extension of Time to Respond to Prosecution Motion for Immediate Protective Measures for Victims and Witnesses and for Non-Public Disclosure of the  $9^{th}$  day of July 2003 ("the Application") in which the Defence Office requests extension of the time limits to respond to the Prosecution Motion for Protective Measures for transmission of the said Prosecution Motion to the newly assigned Defence Counsel for the Accused;

CONSIDERING the Prosecution Response to the Application of the 9th day of Jul 2003 in which the Prosecution raises no objections to the relief sought by the Defence Office;

CONSIDERING that the Trial Chamber deems preferable, in the interest of all the parties and for more expeditious proceedings, to consider the Defence Counsel as counsel of record for the Accused;

CONSIDERING Rule 7 and Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence;

## FOR THESE REASONS THE SPECIAL COURT

HEREBY ORDERS the immediate service of the Prosecution Motion for discharge to the Defence Counsel;

GRANTS the Defence Counsel seven days from the moment of receipt of the Prosecution Motion for Diselbrure to file its response thereto.

PROTECTIVE HEASURES

Done at Freetown, Sierra Leone, this 10th day of July 2003

Presiding Judge, Trial Chamber

