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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR

Freetown - Sierra Leone

Before:

Hon. Justice Benjamin Mutanga Itoe, Presiding

Hon. Justice Bankole Thompson

Hon. Justice Pierre Boutet

Registrar:

Mr. Herman von Hebel

Date filed:

18 July 2008

THE PROSECUTOR

Against

Issa Hassan Sesay

Morris Kallon

Augustine Gbao

Case No. SCSL-04-15-T

PUBLIC

PROSECUTION RESPONSE TO SESAY DEFENCE URGENT APPLICATION FOR PAGE EXTENSION FOR CLOSING BRIEF

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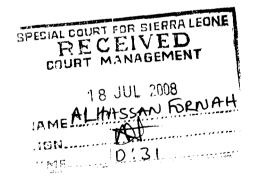
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I. SUBMISSION AND CONCLUSION

- 1. On 16 July 2008, the Accused Sesay filed a "Public Sesay Defence Urgent Application for Page Extension for Closing Brief," ("Motion").
- 2. On today's date the Prosecution filed a motion seeking leave to file a final brief of up to 600 pages instead of 500 pages. The Prosecution chose not to file this Response until it had determined whether it would file its own motion seeking an increased page number.
- 3. The Prosecution takes no position on the Motion, except that the Prosecution submits that if an extension is granted to the First Accused, it should be in the range of 50 to 100 additional pages.
- 4. The Prosecution bears the burden of proof and is expected to file one brief with respect to the three Accused. It is compelled to deal with the evidence and issues that it anticipates being relevant to each of Accused. That is a more onerous and comprehensive task than that of an Accused.

Filed in Freetown, 18 July 2008

For the Prosecution,

Pete Harrison

¹ Prosecutor v. Sesay et a!, SCSL-2004-15-T-1192, "Public Sesay Defence Urgent Application for Page Extension for Closing Brief," 16 July 008.