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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR Freetown – Sierra Leone

Before:

Justice Teresa Doherty, Presiding

Justice Richard Lussick Justice Julia Sebutinde

Justice El Hadji Malick Sow, Alternate Judge

Registrar:

Mr. Herman von Hebel

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Against

Charles Ghankay Taylor

Case No. SCSL-03-01-T

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PROSECUTION REQUEST TO WITHDRAW NOTICE UNDER RULE 92bis FOR THE ADMISSION OF THE PRIOR TRIAL TRANSCRIPTS OF TESTIMONY OF TF1-141

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- 1. On 2 July 2008, the Prosecution filed a Notice under Rule 92bis regarding its intention to request that the prior trial transcripts and related exhibit of witness TF1-141 from the RUF Trial be admitted into evidence.
- 2. On 4 July 2008, the Defence were given additional time in which to respond to the Notice, a response being due "two weeks from the date of the service of the hard copy" of the Notice.²
- 3. On 15 July 2008 the Trial Chamber issued its decision on the submission of evidence relating to: (i) crimes committed in Kenema District; and (ii) witness TF1-036, by way of Rule 92bis.³ The Decision allows the Defence to cross-examine the witnesses whose full testimony, including cross examination, is to be submitted in accordance with this Rule, with no limitations set on the cross-examination.
- 4. In light of the Decision, the Prosecution has determined that it can best present the evidence of witness TF1-141 by calling him to testify *viva voce*. Therefore, as the Prosecution no longer intends to present the witness' testimony by way of Rule 92*bis*, the Prosecution requests that it be permitted to withdraw the Notice.

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17 July 2008

For the Prosecution.

Brenda J. Hollis Senior Trial Attorney

¹ Prosecutor v. Taylor, SCSL-03-01-T-550, "Public with Confidential Annexes B & C Prosecution Notice under Rule 92bis for the Admission of the Prior Trial Transcripts of Testimony of TF1-141", 2 July 2008 ("Notice").

² Prosecutor v. Taylor, SCSL-03-01-T, Trial Transcript, 4 July 2008, page 12935, lines 5 - 7.

³ Prosecutor v. Taylor, SCSL-03-01-T-556, "Decision on Prosecution Notice under Rule 92bis for the Admission of Evidence Related to *Inter Alia* Kenema District And on Prosecution Notice under Rule 92bis for the Admission of the Prior Testimony of TF1-036 into Evidence", 15 July 2008 ("Decision").

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