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THE SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

TRIAL CHAMBERS

Before: Judge Thompson, Presiding Judge  
Judge Itoe  
Judge Boutet

Registrar: Robin Vincent

Date: 2 July 2003

The Prosecutor

V.

Sam Hinga Norman

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PROSECUTION APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF  
TIME TO RESPOND TO FOUR DEFENCE MOTIONS AS  
TO JURISDICTION

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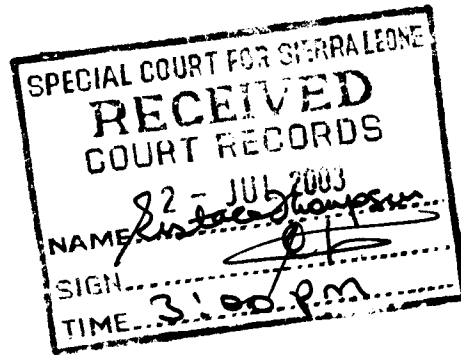
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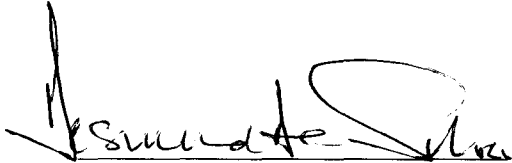
- 1 This is a Prosecution Application for an extension of time to file a Response to four Motions touching upon the jurisdiction of the Court filed on 26 June 2003. The said Motions being
  - a. Preliminary Motion Based on Lack of Jurisdiction: Lawfulness of the Court's Establishment.
  - b. Preliminary Motion Based on Lack of Jurisdiction: Command Responsibility.
  - c. Preliminary Motion Based on Lack of Jurisdiction: Judicial Independence.
  - d. Preliminary Motion Based on Lack of Jurisdiction: Child Recruitment.
- 2 The service of these Motions upon the Prosecution took place on 27 June 2003 and therefore the Responses in relation thereto are due to be filed by the Prosecution on 4 June 2003.
- 3 As the Office of the Prosecutor is in the process of moving from its present address to its new premises in the New England Complex and because of a shutdown in facilities those responsible for preparing the Responses to the Defence Motions on Jurisdiction are presently suffering from an inability to access any of their files through the server or do any legal research on the internet at the moment and that as this present state is likely to persist for some 48 hours the Prosecution's ability to Respond has been gravely prejudiced over this period.

RELIEF SOUGHT

- 4 That in view of the foregoing an extension of time be granted until Monday 7 July 2003 for the filing of Responses by the Prosecution to the above mentioned Motions.

Freetown, 2 July 2003

For the Prosecution



Desmond de Silva, QC  
Deputy Prosecutor  
Office of the Prosecutor  
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