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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

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Before: Judge Bankole Thompson
Registry: Mr. Robin Vincent
Decision of: 07 March 2003

THE PROSECUTOR

Against

SAM BOCKARIE also known as MOSQUITO
also known as MASKITA

CASE NO. SCSL - 2003- 04 - I

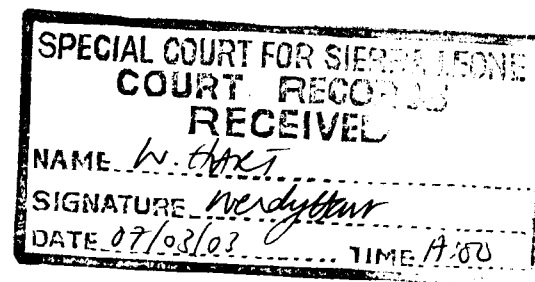
DECISION APPROVING THE INDICTMENT

and

ORDER FOR NON-DISCLOSURE

The Office of the Prosecutor:

David Crane
Brenda Hollis



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

SITTING AS Judge Thompson, designated by the President of the Special Court according to Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence (“the Rules”);

HAVING RECEIVED on 07 March 2003 from the Prosecutor the enclosed Indictment and accompanying material, pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules against SAM BOCKARIE also known as MOSQUITO also known as MASKITA, a citizen of Sierra Leone, born 10 February 1964 at Koidu, Kono District, who is accused of Crimes against Humanity, violations of Article 3 common to the Geneva Conventions and of Additional Protocol II, and other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law;

BEING SATISFIED from the material tendered by the Prosecutor that there is sufficient evidence to provide reasonable grounds for believing that the suspect has committed crimes within the jurisdiction of the Court and that the allegations would, if proven, amount to the crimes specified and particularised in the said Indictment;

HEREBY APPROVES


the Indictment submitted by the Prosecutor against SAM BOCKARIE in respect to each and every count.

TAKES NOTE of the Prosecutor’s request that a Warrant of Arrest and Order for Transfer and Detention be issued against SAM BOCKARIE.

ORDERS, pursuant to Rule 53 and after consultation with the Prosecutor, that there be no public disclosure of the Indictment or any part thereof or information pertaining to the Indictment, the Warrant of Arrest, the transfer and detention until further order by the Special Court.

DIRECTS the Registrar, in accordance with Rule 56 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence, to address this Decision and the Warrant of Arrest of the accused to the national authorities of such States, or to the relevant international body, including the International Criminal Police Organisation (INTERPOL), as may be indicated by the Prosecutor.

Done in London, this 7th day of March 2003.



Signed, **Judge Bankole Thompspon**

