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THE SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

Trial Chamber II

Before: Justice Julia Sebutinde, Presiding
Justice Richard Lussick
Justice Teresa Doherty
Justice El Hadji Malick Sow, Alternate

Registrar: Ms. Binta Mansaray

Date: 10 January 2011

Case No.: SCSL-2003-01-T

THE PROSECUTOR

-v-

CHARLES GHANKAY TAYLOR

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DEFENCE REQUEST FOR A STATUS CONFERENCE PURSUANT TO RULE 65BIS

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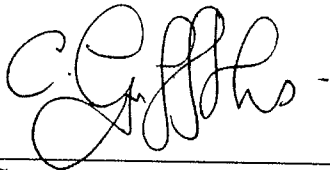
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1. The Defence respectfully requests the Trial Chamber to convene a Status Conference pursuant to Rule 65bis of the Special Court Rules of Procedure and Evidence, as soon as practicable following the conclusion of the judicial recess on 7 January 2011.¹
2. Rule 65bis states:

A status conference may be convened by the Designated Judge, the Trial Chamber or a Judge designated from among its members. The status conference shall:

 - (i) organize exchanges between the parties so as to ensure expeditious trial proceedings;
 - (ii) review the status of his case and to allow the accused to raise issues in relation thereto.
3. The Defence would like to review the status of the case, given that there are a number of outstanding filings before the Trial Chamber and the Appeals Chamber and yet the parties are scheduled to file their final trial briefs on 14 January 2011.²

Respectfully Submitted,



Courtenay Griffiths, Q.C.
Lead Counsel for Charles G. Taylor
Dated this 10th Day of January 2011
The Hague, The Netherlands

¹ *Prosecutor v. Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-1120, Order Scheduling Judicial Recess, 15 November 2010.

² *Prosecutor v. Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-1105, Order Setting a Date for Closure of the Defence Case and Dates for Filing Final Trial Briefs and the Presentation of Closing Arguments, 22 October 2010.