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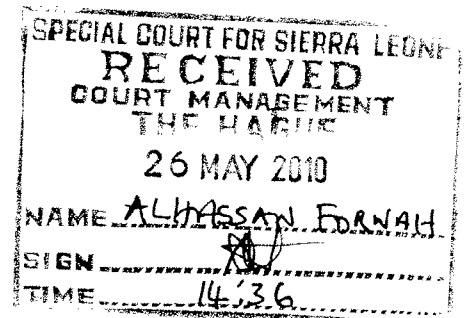
**SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE
OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR**

TRIAL CHAMBER II

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

Registrar: Ms. Binta Mansaray

Date filed: 26 May 2010



THE PROSECUTOR

Against

Charles Ghankay Taylor

Case No. SCSL-03-01-T

**PUBLIC
PROSECUTION RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC, WITH CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX A
DEFENCE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION OF AFFIDAVIT
BY DCT-118 PURSUANT TO RULE 92bis**

Office of the Prosecutor:
Ms. Brenda J. Hollis

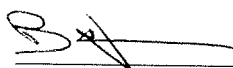
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1. The Prosecution files this Response to the “Public, with Confidential Annex A Defence Application for Admission of Affidavit by DCT-118 Pursuant to Rule 92bis”, filed on 21 May 2010 (“**Application**”).¹
2. In its Application, the Defence seeks to submit a signed affidavit from witness DCT-118 in lieu of oral testimony.² The Defence also states that the witness has affirmatively waived his right to protection and therefore the Defence requests that the protective measures for the witness be lifted to allow for (1) disclosure of his name to the public and (2) public filing of the affidavit.³
3. The Prosecution does not accept the accuracy, truthfulness or completeness of the affidavit of this witness. Nor does the Prosecution concede that any weight should be given to the affidavit. However, in light of the advanced age and alleged fragile health of the witness⁴, the Prosecution does not wish to subject the witness to the rigors of travel or testifying. Therefore, the Prosecution does not object to the admission of the affidavit in lieu of oral testimony. Nor does the Prosecution object to the application for rescission of protective measures.

Filed in The Hague,

26 May 2010,

For the Prosecution,



Brenda J. Hollis
The Prosecutor

¹ *Prosecutor v. Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-963, “Public with Confidential Annex A Defence Application for Admission of Affidavit by DCT-118 Pursuant to Rule 92bis”, 21 May 2010 (“**Application**”).

² Application, para. 1.

³ *Ibid.*, para. 3.

⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 10

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