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Serbian Officials to Visit Special Court

Senior members of the Republic of Serbia judiciary will visit Freetown next week to meet their counterparts at the Special Court for Sierra Leone. During their week-long stay, they will share experiences with their counterparts in Freetown in dealing with the serious crimes which have followed years of conflict in both countries.

The nine-member Serbian delegation will include Mr. Sinisa Vazic, President of the War Crimes Chamber and President of the Belgrade District Court; Mr. Bogdan Stankovic, the Deputy Chief War Crimes Prosecutor of the Republic of Serbia; Ms. Slavica Pekovic, the Co-ordinator of the War Crimes Chamber's Witness and Victim Support Service, and Ms. Jasna Sarcevic-Jankovic, the Outreach Co-ordinator of the War Crimes Prosecutor's office.

Three journalists will accompany the delegation.

During the week, the delegation will meet with Judges, and with Special Court principals from the Registry, the Office of the Prosecutor and the Defence Office. They will also be briefed by senior staff members on the work of the various sections of the Special Court.

They will also meet with senior Sierra Leone Government officials.

The visiting officials will have the opportunity to take part in an Outreach in Waterloo, on the outskirts of the capital, to observe officials of the Special Court interacting with members of the local community. There will also be an Outreach held at a secondary school in Freetown.

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