



**Special Court for Sierra Leone**  
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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Justice Renate Winter Re-elected President of the Special Court**



Justice Renate Winter of Austria has been re-elected Presiding Judge of the Appeals Chamber, a post which makes her President of the Special Court.

Justice Winter joined the Special Court in December 2002. She served as Acting President of the Court from March to May 2004, and was elected to a one-year term in May 2008.

The Appeals Judges also re-elected Justice Jon Kamanda of Sierra Leone as Vice-President of the Court.

Judges of the Appeals Chamber and of Trial Chamber II sitting in The Hague met in Plenary last week to discuss residual issues and matters relating to the Court's legacy. They also reviewed the Court's completion strategy and looked at progress in the current proceedings.

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The Special Court is an independent tribunal established jointly by the United Nations and the Government of Sierra Leone. It is mandated to bring to justice those who bear the greatest responsibility for atrocities committed in Sierra Leone after 30 November 1996.

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