Case No. SCSL-2004-16-T THE PROSECUTOR OF THE SPECIAL COURT

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ALEX TAMBA BRIMA BRIMA BAZZY KAMARA SANTIGIE BORBOR KANU

MONDAY, 13 JUNE 2005

9.30 A.M. TRIAL

TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before the Judges: Teresa Doherty, Presiding

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For Chambers: Mr Simon Meisenberg

For the Registry:

Ms Maureen Edmonds

Mr Geoff Walker

For the Prosecution: Mr Jim Hodes

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Mr Wilbert Harris

Mr Mohamed Pa-Momo Fofanah

For the accused Santigie Borbor

Kanu:

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Ms Viola Trebicka

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	1	[TB130605A - SV]
	2	Monday, 13th June 2005
	3	[Open session]
	4	[The accused not present]
09:29:16	5	[The witness entered court]
	6	[Upon commencing at 9.30 a.m.]
	7	PRESIDING JUDGE: Good morning. I note the absence of the
	8	accused. Ms Thompson, Mr Manly-Spain, Mr Fofanah, the situation
	9	as before, does that still prevail?
09:34:50	10	MS THOMPSON: It does, Your Honour, and the trial continues
	11	as it has.
	12	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Are you speaking on behalf of
	13	your colleagues?
	14	MS THOMPSON: Yes, Your Honour.
09:34:59	15	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Yes, Ms Pack.
	16	MS PACK: Thank you, Your Honour.
	17	WITNESS: TF1-334 [Continued]
	18	[The witness answered through interpreter]
	19	EXAMINED BY MS PACK: [Continued]
09:35:15	20	Q. Witness, it's been a long time since you've testified in
	21	this Court
	22	PRESIDING JUDGE: In that case, Ms Pack, since you're going
	23	to continue with evidence, I will remind the witness of his oath.
	24	Mr Witness, it's some time since you've been in court but you
09:35:26	25	remember that when you started giving your evidence in court you
	26	swore to tell the truth. Do you remember this?
	27	THE WITNESS: Yes, My Lord.
	28	PRESIDING JUDGE: As I've told you before, that promise is
	29	still binding on you and you must answer all questions

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- truthfully. Do you understand? 1
- 2 THE WITNESS: Yes, My Lord.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Witness. Ms Pack, please
- continue.
- 09:35:54 5 MS PACK:
  - 6 Q. Witness, it's been a long time since you last testified and
  - I'm going to remind you of what we were talking about on the last 7
  - occasion. We had got to the point where SAJ Musa arrived with 8
  - 9 some men at Colonel Eddie Town and you were telling the Chamber
- 09:36:14 10 about a meeting in a field in Colonel Eddie Town where SAJ Musa
  - 11 made his own administration. Do you recall giving that evidence?
  - 12 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - And on the last occasion I asked you what he said at that 13 Q.
  - 14 meeting and what changes he was making to the organisation of men
- 09:36:48 15 to create his own administration. You have told the Chamber that
  - 16 a Colonel Konjo came with SAJ Musa and you've told the Chamber
  - 17 that he was appointed to a position by SAJ Musa and that position
  - 18 was battlefield inspector. Do you remember that?
  - 19 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 09:37:32 20 Now Witness, I'd ask you to think back now to that meeting Q.
  - in the field at Colonel Eddie Town and try and remember as far as 21
  - 22 Colonel Konjo is concerned, do you remember the words used by SAJ
  - 23 Musa at that meeting about Colonel Konjo?
  - Yes. 24 Α.
- 09:37:56 25 What were the words used by SAJ Musa about Colonel Konjo at 0.
  - 26 that meeting?
  - 27 When SAJ talked about Colonel Konjo's appointment as BFI, Α.
  - he said Colonel Konjo was answerable to him and he was 28
  - 29 subordinate in rank to the deputy commander at that time who was

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- Tamba Alex Brima and also the third in command who was Ibrahim 1
- 2 Bazzy Kamara and also to the chief of staff who was Santigie
- 3 Borbor Kanu.
- Were there other appointments made by SAJ Musa at this 4 Q.
- 09:39:11 5 meeting as he created his own administration?
  - 6 Α. Yes.
  - 7 Q. Name them?
  - The operation commander at that time was SAJ Musa who was 8 Α.
  - named because as Lieutenant Colonel O-Five because after him,
- 09:39:33 10 before the coming of SAJ Musa there was a dispute between the
  - 11 hierarchy of Gullit wherein he made changes of Operation
  - Commander A. 12
  - 13 Q. Pause there. Do you recall what was said by SAJ Musa at
  - this meeting in relation to Colonel O-Five? 14
- 09:39:58 15 Α. Yes.
  - 16 Q. What was said at this meeting in relation to
  - Colonel O-Five? 17
  - 18 SAJ Musa only approved of his appointment as operation Α.
  - 19 commander for the troop.
- 09:40:17 20 Do you know whether O-Five, as a result of his appointment Q.
  - to operational commander, was subordinate to anyone in the 21
  - 22 organisation of men?
  - 23 Α. Yes.
  - 24 How are you able to say this? Q.
- 09:40:39 25 Well, this was clear because SAJ was also -- he clearly Α.
  - 26 said that in the meeting that the operation commander was working
  - with the BFI and the operation commander was also reporting to 27
  - him. And he was subordinate in rank to the deputy commander who 28
  - 29 was Tamba Alex Brima and Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara, the third in the

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- command and the chief of staff who was Borbor Kanu who was 1
- 2 Five-Five.
- 3 Witness, were there any other appointments made by SAJ Musa
- at this meeting in Colonel Eddie Town?
- Well, so far as I know, yes. 09:41:44 5 Α.
  - Go on? 6 0.
  - 7 Α. And the former operation commander, he was appointed as
  - 8 supervisor.
  - 9 Q. To what?
- 09:42:04 10 To one battalion which SAJ Musa came with. The RDF Α.
  - battalion. 11
  - 12 MS PACK: Pause a moment. RDF, Your Honours, were the
  - 13 initials used.
  - 14 Witness, what does RDF stand for? Q.
- 09:42:28 15 Α. This was the rapid deployment force.
  - 16 Q. Witness, you said that it was the former operational
  - commander, can you name him or give him a pseudonym please so 17
  - 18 that we're clear who you're talking about?
  - 19 Α. Operation Commander A.
- 09:42:51 20 How do you know that he was appointed to the position of Q.
  - the battalion supervisor of the RDF battalion? 21
  - 22 Well, this was made clear in this meeting that SAJ Musa Α.
  - said it openly. 23
  - At this point do you know if this individual, Operational 24
- 09:43:26 25 Commander A, formerly the operational commander, do you know if
  - 26 he held any other position in the organisation of men?
  - 27 Α. Well, he was still a member of the brigade administration.
  - Do you know if this individual A was subordinate or 28 Q.
  - 29 superior to anyone in the organisation of men under SAJ Musa?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. How are you in a position to know this?
- 3 Α. Well, because SAJ clearly stated that the supervisors, the
- military supervisors, were reporting directly to him but they
- 09:44:23 5 were subordinate in rank to the deputy commander who was Tamba
  - Alex Brima and the third in command who was Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara 6
  - and also the chief of staff who was Santigie Borbor Kanu. 7
  - 8 Q. At this meeting were there any other appointments to the
  - 9 position of military supervisor?
- 09:44:55 10 Α. Yes.
  - 11 Q. Who were the other military supervisors who were appointed
  - 12 to that position at this meeting?
  - 13 Α. Colonel Gold Teeth.
  - MS PACK: Pause a moment. Gold Teeth we've had before, 14
- 09:45:13 15 Your Honours. Just Gold Teeth.
  - 16 Q. Colonel Gold Teeth, to what battalion was he appointed as
  - supervisor? 17
  - One of the battalions that was formed. 18 Α.
  - 19 0. Do you recall the name of the battalion?
- 09:45:37 20 No, I cannot recall but he was appointed as one of the Α.
  - supervisors to one of the battalions. 21
  - 22 How do you know he was appointed as a supervisor for one of Q.
  - 23 the battalions?
  - 24 SAJ openly announced that. Α.
- 09:45:55 25 Do you know if Colonel Gold Teeth, by virtue of his 0.
  - 26 appointment at this meeting, was either superior or subordinate
  - 27 to anyone in the organisation of men?
  - 28 Α. Yes, because -- yes.
  - 29 And how are you in a position to know this? Q.

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- Well, SAJ said that openly. That he had been appointed. 1 Α.
- 2 He was going to report directly to him but he was subordinate in
- 3 rank to the deputy commander, who was Tamba Alex Brima, and the
- third in command who was Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara, and also to the 4
- 09:46:41 5 chief of staff who was Santigie Borbor Kanu.
  - 6 Q. Witness, do you recall if anyone else was appointed to the
  - 7 position of military supervisor at this meeting in Colonel Eddie
  - Town? 8
  - 9 Α. Yes.
- 09:47:01 10 Who else? Q.
  - 11 Α. Colonel Adamu alias Chicken Soup.
  - 12 Q. Pause a moment.
  - 13 MS PACK: Adamu is A-D-A-M-U. Chicken Soup I won't spell,
  - 14 Your Honours.
- 09:47:21 15 Q. Now this is a new name, Witness. Colonel Adamu, had he
  - 16 been in Colonel Eddie Town or with your men, the men you were
  - 17 with, before the arrival of SAJ Musa?
  - 18 Α. No, no.
  - Who did he come to Colonel Eddie Town with? 19 0.
- 09:47:43 20 He came together with SAJ. Α.
  - Do you know what Colonel Adamu, alias Chicken Soup, did 21 Q.
  - 22 before?
  - 23 Α. Yes.
  - What did he do before? 24 Q.
- 09:48:01 25 Α. He was a member of the Sierra Leone Army.
  - 26 Do you know to which battalion he was appointed as military Q.
  - 27 supervisor in Colonel Eddie Town?
  - 28 Well, I can't recall but it was one of the battalions to
  - 29 which SAJ assigned him.

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- Do you know by virtue of his appointment to military 1 Q.
- 2 supervisor whether he was subordinate or superior in the
- 3 organisation of men to anyone under SAJ?
- 4 Α. Yes.
- 09:48:48 5 0. How do you know this?
  - 6 Α. Well, SAJ clearly stated that out, that Adamu as he has
  - 7 been appointed as supervisor, he was going to report directly to
  - him and subordinate in rank to the deputy chief in command who 8
  - 9 was Tamba Alex Brima and the third in command who was Ibrahim
- 09:49:16 10 Bazzy Kamara and also the chief of staff who was Santigie Borbor
  - 11 Kanu.
  - 12 Just to clarify something, Witness, when you're talking Q.
  - 13 about an individual being subordinate in rank to another man is
  - 14 there a difference between you're saying someone is subordinate
- 09:49:40 15 in rank and someone is subordinate by appointment?
  - 16 Α. Yes.
  - Would you explain, please, what difference you're meaning 17 Q.
  - 18 to convey by the language?
  - 19 Α. Well, when you say subordinate in rank it's somebody in the
- 09:50:03 20 position of ranking he has a position that is higher than the
  - person that is under him. So if you're a colonel and the person 21
  - is a lieutenant colonel then you are subordinate in rank to him. 22
  - 23 Q. And what do you mean by subordinate by appointment?
  - 24 Well, subordinate by appointment means he reported directly Α.
- 09:50:27 25 to the person.
  - 26 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Sorry Ms Pack, I really must -- did I
  - 27 hear the witness explain that subordinate in rank means a person
  - 28 whom you're higher in rank to. Could the witness please repeat
  - 29 the explanation of what subordinate in rank means.

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- THE WITNESS: That the person -- the person to whom you are 1
- 2 subordinate is higher in rank, is higher in rank.
- 3 THE INTERPRETER: Excuse me, Your Honours, would the
- witness please go a little slower.
- 09:51:09 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, did you hear the interpreter?
  - Would you say it a little slower please to allow him to 6
  - 7 interpret. Please start again.
  - 8 THE WITNESS: Yes, My Lord. When you talk about
  - 9 subordinate in rank that is to say the person to whom you are
- 09:51:24 10 subordinate has a higher rank than you that are working under
  - 11 him.
  - MS PACK: 12
  - 13 Q. Thank you, Witness. Now, I was asking you about
  - 14 Colonel Adamu who was a military supervisor appointed by SAJ at
- 09:51:52 15 this meeting. Do you know, by virtue of his appointment to this
  - 16 position, whether he was superior or subordinate?
  - 17 MR FOFANAH: May it please, Your Honours.
  - 18 MS PACK: I've asked that question.
  - 19 MR FOFANAH: I'm sorry to interrupt. I think we've not had
- 09:52:11 20 the answer from the witness about what subordinate in appointment
  - 21 means.
  - MS PACK: I think he explained it actually as being --22
  - 23 means report directly to someone. But I can ask the witness to
  - 24 repeat it.
- 09:52:30 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: I have an answer that subordinate by
  - 26 appointment means you answer to that person.
  - 27 MS PACK: That's what I heard, Your Honour.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Is that agreed on the record? There are 28
  - 29 no other comments so please proceed, Ms Pack.

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- MS PACK: Thank you, Your Honour. 1
- 2 Q. I'm going to ask you if there's anyone else who you recall
- 3 was appointed to the position of military supervisor at this
- meeting in Colonel Eddie Town?
- 09:52:58 5 Α. Well, as far as I can recall, the others also continued to
  - be military supervisors. Like Colonel Abdul Sesay. He also was 6
  - a military supervisor. Colonel Ibrahim Bioh Sesay. 7
  - 8 Q. Pause a moment.
  - 9 MS PACK: Both names Your Honours' have heard before but
- 09:53:38 10 for the sake of clarity. Abdul, A-B-D-U-L; Sesay, S-E-S-A-Y.
  - 11 Ibrahim Bioh Sesay, I-B-R-A-H-I-M; Bioh, B-I-O-H; Sesay,
  - S-E-S-A-Y. 12
  - 13 You've named two. Any others, Witness?
  - 14 Colonel Woyoh also remained to be a supervisor. Military Α.
- 09:53:49 15 supervisor.
  - 16 MS PACK: Again that's W-O-Y-O-H, Your Honours. A name
  - you've heard before. 17
  - 18 Anyone else, Witness, who you recall remained in the
  - 19 position of military supervisor?
- 09:54:01 20 These are the only ones that I can recall as for now. Α.
  - Now, Witness, you've spoken this morning about a new 21 Q.
  - battalion, the RDF battalion. When was that formed? 22
  - 23 Well, this battalion, SAJ Musa came with it, the RDF Α.
  - battalion. He came with this battalion. 24
- 09:54:41 25 Do you know how many men were in this battalion? 0.
  - 26 Well, according to what I observed there were more than 80. Α.
  - 27 There were more than 80.
  - Do you know which groups the men in the RDF battalion were 28 Q.
  - 29 from?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. How do you know which groups the men in the RDF battalion
- 3 were from?
- Well, these were men that I had been with before. They 4 Α.
- 09:55:23 5 were all members of the Sierra Leone Army.
  - Do you know who was in command of the RDF battalion? 6 Q.
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - How do you know who was in command of the RDF battalion? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. Well, when they came SAJ announced that then the commander
- 09:55:50 10 was somebody that I knew before.
  - Who was the commander? 11 Q.
  - Lieutenant Colonel Terminator. Lieutenant Colonel Lamin 12 Α.
  - 13 Sidique alias Terminator.
  - MS PACK: Pause a moment. I'll just spell that for Their 14
- 09:56:21 15 Honours. L-A-M-I-N for Lamin; Sidique, S-I-D-I-Q-U-E; and the
  - 16 alias Terminator.
  - 17 You knew this individual from before. What group was this Q.
  - individual from before? 18
  - 19 Α. Well, he was a member of the Sierra Leone Army.
- 09:56:43 20 Q. Were there any others who you recall by name who were
  - members of this battalion? 21
  - 22 Α. Yes.
  - 23 Name them? Q.
  - You had NPFL. 24 Α.
- 09:57:05 25 Pause a moment. Just repeat those initials so that we're Q.
  - 26 clear exactly what the initials were?
  - 27 Α. NPFL.
  - Now NPFL, is that an alias? 28 Q.
  - 29 Yes, that was his alias. Α.

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- Do you know his full name? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. No, no.
- 3 Q. Where had you known him from before?
- Well, he was a member of the Sierra Leone Army. That was Α.
- 09:57:39 5 where T knew him.
  - 6 Q. Do you know anyone else who was in that battalion by name?
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - Who else? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. You had Pikin.
- 09:57:52 10 MS PACK: Pikin, I'll spell that, P-I-K-I-N.
  - That is an alias? 11 Q.
  - 12 Yes, yes. Α.
  - 13 Q. Do you know the full name?
  - 14 No, that was his popular name. Α.
- 09:58:06 15 Q. And you knew him from where?
  - 16 Α. The army. The Sierra Leone Army.
  - 17 Q. Do you know if he held a position, a particular position,
  - in the RDF battalion? 18
  - 19 Α. Yes, he was a second in command in the RDF battalion.
- 09:58:30 20 Q. How are you in a position to know that?
  - 21 Well, this battalion, when it came, SAJ clearly announced Α.
  - 22 their positions and their responsibilities.
  - 23 Is there anyone else you recall by name from that Q.
  - battalion? 24
- 09:58:52 25 Α. Yes.
  - 26 Q. Who else?
  - 27 Α. You had Hassim.
  - MS PACK: Pause a moment, let me spell that, A-C-H-I-M. 28
  - 29 Q. Is that an alias?

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- That was his first name. 1 Α.
- 2 MS THOMPSON: Your Honour, I ask that the spelling comes
- 3 from the witness because the witness's pronunciation and the
- 4 spelling given by learned friend is different. We haven't
- 09:59:23 5 objected before to this, when my learned friend gives spellings
  - 6 of names which are new we haven't objected to it, but I think it
  - 7 would be better really if my learned friend starts getting the
  - 8 spelling from the witness because some of these names are
  - 9 unfamiliar to the English language and it may be better for the
- 09:59:33 10 witness to give the spelling. He's familiar with the spelling,
  - 11 familiar with the language that some of these names come from,
  - and he's literate. 12
  - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Haven't we discussed this before,
  - Ms Thompson, if I recall. 14
- 09:59:47 15 MS THOMPSON: We have and my learned friend was getting the
  - 16 witness - if my memory serves me right, I know it has been a
  - while now, but the witness spelling was coming from the witness 17
  - especially for those names which were unfamiliar. But my learned 18
  - 19 friend is spelling the names now and from my knowledge of the
- 10:00:04 20 language, the English language, the pronunciation of the witness
  - and the spelling given by my learned friend was different. 21
  - MS PACK: Your Honour, just to clarify, where I give names 22
  - of individuals the spelling is as provided to me by the witness, 23
  - but I can ask him to repeat the process in court. It's just for 24
- 10:00:27 25 the sake of expedience that I'm using those spellings that he's
  - 26 provided for the persons that he identifies during his testimony.
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: That's my recollection of what happened
  - before as well; that the Prosecutor informed the Court that the 28
  - 29 spelling emanated from the witness.

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- MS THOMPSON: Yes, Your Honour. I'm not saying that's not 1
- 2 true. What I'm saying is that that conversation between the
- 3 witness of the provision of that spelling from the witness to my
- 4 learned friend is not evidence in this Court. It's something
- 10:00:58 5 that happened between the two of them. The point I'm making is
  - where some of the names are familiar that's fine, but the 6
  - pronunciation of the witness just now and the spelling given are 7
  - two different things. He said Hassim and A-C-H-I-M is not 8
  - 9 Hassim -- phonetically in the English language is not Hassim.
- 10:01:20 10 That's why I'm saying it is better for the spelling to come from
  - 11 the witness.
  - MS PACK: Your Honours, I don't want to interrupt your 12
  - 13 deliberations but there's one thing I was concerned about. I've
  - 14 just been told by Ms Dimitrova, case manager, that there isn't
- 10:02:01 15 any voice distortion operating. There's no voice distortion
  - 16 being heard by those who are in the OTP listening to the
  - testimony for this witness and I wanted to raise that concern 17
  - 18 lest voice distortion isn't in place this morning.
  - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: We'll deal with that immediately. Mr
- 10:02:20 20 Court Attendant, could you please check that the voice distortion
  - to the public is in place. 21
  - MR WALKER: Your Honour, the voice distortion is on now. I 22
  - think they were having some problems with it but it is working 23
  - 24 now.
- 10:03:56 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: The unanimous decision on that objection
  - 26 is that the evidence as to spelling must come directly from the
  - 27 witness as it is his testimony.
  - 28 MS PACK: Thank you, Your Honour.
  - 29 Q. Witness, I'm going to ask you please to spell Hassim for

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- Their Honours. Did you hear the question? 1
- 2 Α. Yes, My Lord. Yes, My Lord.
- 3 Q. Spell Hassim please?
- Α. H-A-S-S-I-M.
- 10:04:38 5 MS PACK: My apologies to Your Honours. My note was
  - entirely different. 6
  - Witness, do you know to whom, by virtue of his position as 7 Q.
  - 8 commander of the RDF battalion, Lamin Sidique also known as
  - 9 Terminator was subordinate or superior?
- 10:05:16 10 Α. Yes.
  - 11 Q. How are you in a position to know to whom this individual
  - 12 was subordinate or superior?
  - 13 Well, this was spelt out by SAJ; that as battalion Α.
  - 14 commander he was working under the supervision of the operational
- 10:05:37 15 commander.
  - 16 Witness, you've spoken about 250 men coming with SAJ Musa. Q.
  - About 250 men. Do you know what happened to the rest of those 17
  - men on their arrival in Colonel Eddie Town? 18
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 10:06:16 20 How are you in a position to know what happened to the rest Q.
  - of them? 21
  - Well, during that meeting which SAJ summoned --22 Α.
  - 23 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, I did not get what the
  - witness is saying. Would he please repeat what he's saying. 24
- 10:06:43 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, the interpreter needs you to
  - 26 repeat what you said. If you could say it again slowly, please.
  - 27 THE WITNESS: When SAJ called a meeting, when we were in
  - this meeting he ordered the operation commander to distribute the 28
  - 29 men into various battalions.

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- MS PACK: 1
- Did the battalions remain as they had been before under 2 Q.
- 3 Tamba Alex Brima?
- 4 Α. No.
- 10:07:30 5 Q. What were the changes that were made under SAJ Musa?
  - 6 Α. Like the 2nd Battalion Commander Colonel Bulldoze, he was
  - 7 appointed as the G4, the G4 commander.
  - MS PACK: You've spoken about Colonel Bulldoze before. 8
  - 9 With Your Honour's leave I'll spell that because the witness has
- 10:08:07 10 talked about this individual. B-U-L-L-D-O-Z-E.
  - Was there just the one Colonel Bulldoze or were there 11 Q.
  - 12 others with that name?
  - 13 Well, there was another. Foday Marah alias Bulldoze came Α.
  - 14 with SAJ.
- 10:08:33 15 Foday Marah, would you spell those two names, please, for Q.
  - 16 the Court?
  - Yes, My Lord. Foday is F-O-D-A-Y. Marah is M-A-R-A-H. 17 Α.
  - 18 The other Bulldoze, was he also called Foday Marah? Q.
  - 19 Α. No. He was Foday Bah Marah.
- 10:09:09 20 And was it Foday Bah Marah who was appointed as a G4 Q.
  - commander? 21
  - 22 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - Explain, please, for Their Honours what a G4 commander is? 23 Q.
  - Well, the G4 commander was responsible for the arms and 24 Α.
- 10:09:32 25 ammunition which belonged to the brigade. He was responsible for
  - 26 securing the arms and ammunition. He was responsible for
  - 27 securing them.
  - Do you know by virtue of his appointment as a G4 commander 28 Q.
  - 29 to whom Foday Bah Marah alias Bulldoze was subordinate or

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- superior? 1
- 2 Α. Yes.
- 3 Q. How are you in a position to know this?
- It was clearly stated out by SAJ, when he was being 4 Α.
- 10:10:14 5 supervised by the operation commander he was reporting directly
  - to the operations commander. 6
  - Witness, you were telling the Chamber about changes to the 7 Q.
  - battalions under SAJ Musa. Any other changes that you recall 8
  - 9 being made?
- 10:10:52 10 Well, as far as I can recall these were the only changes Α.
  - 11 that were made by SAJ.
  - Were there the same number of battalions at this stage 12 Q.
  - 13 under SAJ?
  - Another battalion was formed which --14 Α.
- 10:11:18 15 Tell us what battalion that was, please? Q.
  - 16 Α. This was the 6th Battalion.
  - How do you know that that battalion was formed? 17 Q.
  - Well, SAJ said it clearly. That he appointed Lieutenant 18 Α.
  - 19 Colonel Foday Marah alias Bulldoze as the commander.
- 10:11:48 20 Q. Now this Foday Marah, is this the Foday Marah that came
  - with SAJ Musa? 21
  - 22 Α. Yes.
  - 23 Do you know which group he was from? Q.
  - Yes. He was a member of the Sierra Leone Army. 24 Α.
- 10:12:13 25 The men that were under him in the 6th Battalion, do you 0.
  - 26 know where they were from?
  - 27 Α. Yes.
  - 28 Q. Where were they from?
  - 29 They were also members of the Sierra Leone Army. Α.

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- 1 Q. Do you know whether Foday Marah, Lieutenant Colonel, was
- 2 subordinate or superior to anyone as a result of his position?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- 4 Q. How were you in a position to know this?
- 10:13:03 5 Α. It was stated clearly by SAJ that he was reporting to
  - 6 operation commander.
  - You spoke about the Red Lion Battalion on the last occasion 7 Q.
  - that you spoke about a command structure in Colonel Eddie Town 8
  - 9 and you identified as the commander of that battalion, Med
- 10:13:42 10 Bajehjeh. Did he remain commander of the Red Lion Battalion
  - under SAJ Musa? 11
  - 12 Α. Yes.
  - 13 Would you just spell Med Bajehjeh for their Honours? Q.
  - 14 It's M-E-D, Med, B-A-J-E-H-J-E-H. Α.
- 10:14:17 15 And just remind us, please, of his rank? Q.
  - 16 Α. He was a major.
  - Witness, were there any others who you specifically recall 17 Q.
  - 18 coming with SAJ Musa to Colonel Eddie Town?
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 10:14:53 20 Name them, please? Q.
  - Lieutenant Colonel Rhino. 21 Α.
  - 22 Would you spell Rhino, please? Q.
  - 23 R-H-I-N-O. Α.
  - Do you know which group he had been part of before? 24 Q.
- 10:15:16 25 Yes. He was a member of the Sierra Leone Army. Α.
  - 26 Anyone else you recall coming with SAJ Musa? Q.
  - 27 Α. As far as I can recall these were the commanders, including
  - the CSOs -- who was Lieutenant Colonel Alabama. 28
  - 29 Pause a moment. CSO, just remind Their Honours what CSO Q.

- stands for? 1
- 2 Α. The chief security officer.
- 3 Q. And you were giving a name Alabama. Would you spell that,
- please?
- 10:15:57 5 Α. A-I-A-B-A-M-A
  - Did Alabama have a rank? 6 Q.
  - 7 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - And what was that? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. He was a lieutenant colonel.
- 10:16:20 10 How do you know that he was chief security officer for SAJ Q.
  - 11 Musa?
  - 12 Α. Well, from Freetown right up to when we arrived at Mongor
  - 13 Bendugu he was still the chief security for SAJ.
  - 14 MS PACK: Your Honours have heard the name Mongor Bendugu
- 10:16:49 15 before, M-O-N-G-O-R B-E-N-D-U-G-U.
  - 16 Q. Is Alabama an alias?
  - 17 Α. Yes.
  - Do you know the full name of this individual? 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 10:17:09 20 What was his full name? Q.
  - Alie Turay. 21 Α.
  - 22 Witness, would you spell Alie Turay, please? Q.
  - 23 A-L-I-E, Alie. T-U-R-A-Y, Turay. Α.
  - 24 Do you know what happened to Lieutenant Colonel Alabama, Q.
- 10:17:52 25 Alie Turay, on his arrival at Colonel Eddie Town?
  - Yes. All I know that he continued to be the CSO. 26 Α.
  - 27 [TB130605B - CR]
  - 28 Witness, do you recall any other appointments being made at Q.
  - 29 this meeting by SAJ Musa, apart from the ones you have identified

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- this morning? 1
- 2 Α. At first I could remember Colonel Foyoh, Lieutenant Colonel
- 3 Foyoh, SAJ appointed him as the mission commander.
- Pause a moment. Would you spell Foyoh? Q.
- 10:18:44 5 Α. F-0-Y-0-H.
  - 6 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Interpreter, he appointed him as what?
  - THE INTERPRETER: Could you please go over that?
  - MS PACK:
  - 9 Witness, repeat the appointment that Lieutenant Foyoh was Q.
- 10:19:09 10 given?
  - 11 Α. He was mission commander.
  - 12 Q. Did Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh have an alias?
  - 13 Α. Yes.
  - What was his alias? 14 Q.
- 10:19:27 15 Α. Cambodia.
  - 16 Q. Would you spell that, please, for Their Honours?
  - 17 C-A-M-B-O-D-I-A, Cambodia. Α.
  - Do you know as a result of his appointment to mission 18 Q.
  - 19 commander, if Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh was subordinate or
- 10:20:04 20 superior to anyone, in the organisation of men?
  - 21 Α. Yes.
  - 22 Q. How are you in a position to know that?
  - 23 Well, SAJ stated it clearly that he was to be supervised by Α.
  - 24 the operation commander.
- 10:20:26 25 MS THOMPSON: Your Honour, I rise because -- I haven't
  - 26 interrupted so far, but I think this is something that we went
  - 27 over and over when we were last here before we had the short
  - break. The witness keeps saying "SAJ stated it clearly" but 28
  - 29 doesn't say how he knows he stated it clearly, where he was, and

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- 1 to whom did he state it clearly?
- 2 I'm at a loss as to SAJ stating it clearly, was it on
- 3 paper, or was the witness present? We keep having that SAJ
- 4 stated it clearly and I thought my learned friend on the last
- 10:21:00 5 occasion agreed that questions would follow as to how this
  - 6 witness came to that knowledge.
  - 7 JUDGE LUSSICK: Yes, we also haven't heard the words that
  - 8 the witness heard that enables him to deduce that the meaning was
  - 9 clearly stated.
- 10:21:12 10 MS PACK:
  - 11 Q. Witness, where did you hear about the appointment of
  - 12 Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh to the position of mission commander?
  - 13 Α. This, it was in Colonel Eddie Town and it was at the
  - meeting which SAJ called. That was where he clearly stated his 14
- 10:21:38 15 administration and the appointments that he made to various
  - 16 commanders.
  - Where did that meeting in Colonel Eddie Town take place? 17 Q.
  - 18 It was in the field. Α.
  - 19 This is the meeting you referred to earlier? 0.
- 10:21:56 20 Α. Yes.
  - In relation to Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh, I would like you 21 Q.
  - 22 please, to, so far as you recall, tell the Chamber what SAJ, in
  - 23 fact, said about him at this meeting in the field in Colonel
  - Eddie Town? 24
- 10:22:17 25 Go over the question once more. Α.
  - 26 What did SAJ Musa say about Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh at Q.
  - 27 this meeting in Colonel Eddie Town and, please, as far as you
  - 28 can, give the words that you were used by SAJ, as far as you
  - 29 recall.

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- SAJ clearly -- they gave out this appointment as mission 1 Α.
- 2 commander to colonel -- to Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh as mission
- 3 commander and he said he would report and he would be supervised
- by the operational commander.
- 10:23:17 5 0. Witness, you have been speaking in the course of your --
  - 6 MR FOFANAH: Sorry, sorry. Excuse me. May it please Your
  - 7 Honours. Again at this stage I rise to support my colleague on
  - the issue that Your Honours had earlier ruled on. If I can 8
  - 9 clearly recall, His Honour Justice Lussick clearly indicated that
- 10:23:37 10 the witness should stay clear from making his evidence-in-chief
  - 11 in the third person when he's referring to statements by people
  - that he's quoting from. Clearly, he's just said that -- he's 12
  - 13 just told this Court what SAJ said in the third person. We're
  - not very sure if that was his inference from what he heard, or 14
- 10:24:01 15 that was exactly what SAJ said. I stand corrected, but I recall
  - 16 that was what His Honour Justice Lussick indicated some time
  - back. 17
  - JUDGE LUSSICK: Yes, you are quite correct, Mr Fofanah, I 18
  - 19 did say that previously. I still am of the view that the
- 10:24:22 20 objection to this witness's evidence on this particular point is
  - still not being answered. We haven't heard the exact words that 21
  - SAJ Musa said. This witness has simply said, or the effect of 22
  - his evidence, rather, is that he thinks SAJ Musa clearly 23
  - appointed this person. The possibility remains that the words 24
- 10:24:44 25 that were used might lead somebody else to come to some other
  - 26 conclusion. All this could be clarified if the witness would
  - 27 simply, to the best of his memory, use the words that he heard
  - SAJ Musa say. Now, if he can't remember what SAJ Musa said, then 28
  - 29 you may well be in trouble. But until such time as we hear the

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- 1 actual words, we're not in any position to say that this witness
- 2 was entitled to reach that conclusion that there was a clear
- 3 meaning as regards the appointment.
- MS PACK: I will ask the witness.
- 10:25:35 5 0. Witness, so far as you remember, are you able to recall the
  - words that were used or the gist of the words that were used by 6
  - 7 SAJ Musa at this meeting in relation to Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh?
  - 8 Α. This, as far as I can remember, he had this paper which he
  - 9 read out. He read out the appointment. He said something about
- 10:26:06 10 to whom the mission commander should report to. He appointed
  - 11 Colonel Foyoh as the mission commander and he said that he will
  - 12 report to the operational commander.
  - 13 JUDGE LUSSICK: Ms Pack, I hope I made myself clear.
  - Perhaps you can get it across to this witness if he can remember 14
- 10:26:36 15 the precise words SAJ Musa said, then he should give them in
  - 16 evidence. I can foresee there is going to be another objection
  - that giving evidence in the third person is simply a question of 17
  - this witness's interpreting what was said, rather than what was 18
  - 19 actually said.
- 10:27:00 20 MS PACK:
  - 21 Q. Witness, first of all, I'm going to ask you. There were
  - two things that you said. You said SAJ Musa read out an 22
  - 23 appointment and then said something about to whom Foyoh should
  - 24 report. I'm going to break those two matters down, firstly.
- 10:27:17 25 Now, what do you recall SAJ reading out in relation to Lieutenant
  - 26 Colonel Foyoh, and if you could use the words that he used?
  - As far as I could remember, when SAJ was reading out his 27 Α.
  - 28 administration he clearly stated the appointment of the people he
  - 29 appointed and the immediate people they were to report to.

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- 1 Q. Pause a moment. When he read the appointment, what did he
- 2 say in relation to Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh? What were the words
- 3 used by SAJ Musa?
- 4 He said Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh, he is now the mission
- 10:28:11 5 commander.
  - 6 Pause, please. When he talked about to whom Lieutenant Q.
  - 7 Colonel Foyoh should report, what were the actual words used by
  - SAJ Musa, so far as you recall? 8
  - 9 Α. He said he should report to the operation commander.
- 10:28:52 10 Q. Witness, I'm going to ask you a little more about that
  - 11 meeting in the field at Colonel Eddie Town. You have been
  - 12 speaking during your evidence this morning about three
  - 13 individuals: Brima; Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara; and Santigie Borbor
  - Kanu, alias Five-Five. I'm going to take Brima first of all. 14
- 10:29:41 15 MR THOMPSON: Now, Your Honour, if I may just interrupt my
  - 16 learned friend. Is my learned friend moving to a new area or is
  - she seeking to further clarify the area we just left? 17
  - 18 MS PACK: I'm still on the administration of men under SAJ
  - 19 Musa at this meeting in the field in Colonel Eddie Town.
- 10:29:55 20 MR THOMPSON: I don't know whether my learned friend was
  - satisfied with the answer just given, because it does not 21
  - actually address or answer either the objection or the 22
  - observations of His Honour Judge Lussick. 23
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: It does not, Ms Pack. 24
- 10:30:12 25 MS PACK: Well, I will ask again, Your Honour.
  - 26 I'm going back to Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh, Witness. I Q.
  - 27 asked you what he said in relation to the appointment. You said
  - 28 clearly Lieutenant Colonel Foyoh - I'm repeating roughly what you
  - 29 said - is now the mission commander. That's what SAJ Musa said

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- 1 about his appointment. Now, wait a moment. You have also said
- 2 he said he should report to the operation commander. I want you,
- 3 as best you can, to use the words used by SAJ Musa when he said
- 4 that Foyoh should report to the operation commander.
- SAJ clearly stated it. 10:31:23 5 Α.
  - 6 Pause there. What I'm going to ask you to do is use the Q.
  - 7 actual words that were used by SAJ so far as you recall. Do you
  - understand what I mean by that?
  - 9 As far as I could remember, he said the mission commander Α.
- 10:31:44 10 was to report to the operational commander.
  - 11 MS PACK: I'm going to move on to the other appointments
  - 12 that were made by SAJ Musa, Your Honour, if you're content for me
  - 13 to do so.
  - 14 PRESIDING JUDGE: I would like to clarify one thing. There
- was mention of a paper. What happened to it? 10:32:20 15
  - 16 MS PACK:
  - Witness, you have talked about a paper that SAJ Musa read 17 Q.
  - out. Did you see the paper? 18
  - 19 Α. Yes, SAJ held the paper in his hand while he was reading
- 10:32:37 20 out his administration.
  - Did you yourself ever take a look at the paper? 21 Q.
  - No. I only stood by watching him while he was making the 22 Α.
  - 23 appointments.
  - 24 How do you know that he was reading out from the paper? Q.
- 10:32:58 25 Well, I was there standing while he was reading this Α.
  - 26 administration.
  - 27 Witness, just going back to the three persons that you have Q.
  - 28 spoken about already this morning: Brima; Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara;
  - 29 and Santigie Kanu, alias Five-Five, on the last occasion that you

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- gave evidence a couple of weeks ago you said Brima, alias 1
- 2 Gullit, was appointed deputy chief in command by SAJ Musa. I
- 3 would like you, please, to tell the Chamber what were the words
- used by SAJ Musa in relation to Brima, alias Gullit, at this 4
- 10:33:59 5 meeting in the field in Colonel Eddie Town?
  - 6 SAJ Musa, as he was reading the administration said, "Now, Α.
  - the deputy chief in command is Tamba Alex Brima, alias Gullit," 7
  - and he said he was to report directly to him.
  - 9 Now, Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara, was anything said about him by Q.
- 10:35:06 10 SAJ Musa at this meeting in the field?
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 Q. Please tell us what was said by SAJ Musa at this meeting.
  - 13 SAJ Musa said Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara is the third in command, Α.
  - and he was to report to Gullit. 14
- 10:35:55 15 What did SAJ Musa say in relation to Santigie Borbor Kanu, Q.
  - 16 alias Five-Five, at this meeting in the field in Colonel Eddie
  - 17 Town?
  - SAJ Musa said Santigie Borbor Kanu still remained as the 18
  - 19 chief of staff, and he was to report to Bazzy who was the third
- 10:36:25 20 in command.
  - 21 Witness, was anything said at this meeting, so far as you Q.
  - recall? 22
  - 23 Α. Yes.
  - 24 Other than about the organisation of men under SAJ Musa? Q.
- 10:37:41 25 Α. Yes.
  - 26 What else was said? Please try to use the words used by Q.
  - SAJ Musa as best you can. 27
  - 28 SAJ said now he was just coming from Britain when he joined Α.
  - 29 the AFRC, and he said he studied law. He wanted to remind

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- everybody about the crime against humanity. He said the troop 1
- 2 that he was leading, he said: one, there was to be no burning of
- 3 houses; secondly, there was not going to be any amputations, that
- we were to talk face to face with the civilians; and the third, 4
- 10:38:47 5 he said the movement to Freetown was to reinstate the army. He
  - 6 said if anybody broke the laws that he has given, that
  - 7 disciplinary action would be taken. Wherein, if anybody is
  - caught breaking the laws, he would be punished. 8
  - 9 Q. Is that all that SAJ Musa said that you recall at this
- 10:39:24 10 meeting?
  - 11 Α. And what he said, he said the women - at that moment, the
  - 12 women should leave, because the troops would not be able to
  - 13 secure the women, so the women were to leave from Colonel Eddie
  - 14 Town.
- 10:39:47 15 Q. In the event, did the women leave Colonel Eddie Town?
  - 16 Α. No.
  - Witness, did you remain in Colonel Eddie Town after SAJ 17 Q.
  - Musa arrived? 18
  - 19 Α. No.
- 10:40:15 20 Where did you head off for? Q.
  - He said that his troops were about to move and the troops 21 Α.
  - will not retreat. The troops will push forward to Freetown. The 22
  - 23 whole troop left and crossed the river towards the other side
  - of -- around the villages -- on the villages around Mange Bureh. 24
- 10:40:46 25 Would you spell Mange Bureh, please, for the Chamber? Q.
  - 26 M-A-N-G-E B-U-R-E-H, Bureh. Α.
  - 27 That's two words, is it? Q.
  - 28 Yes. Mange is M-A-N-G-E. Bureh is B-U-R-E-H. Α.
  - 29 How soon after SAJ Musa's arrival in Colonel Eddie Town did Q.

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- you set off? 1
- 2 Α. Well, it was about three days after the arrival of SAJ when
- 3 the troops moved from Colonel Eddie Town.
- 4 Q. Was anyone left behind in Colonel Eddie Town when you moved
- 10:41:45 5 off?
  - 6 Α. No.
  - 7 Q. Do you remember what month of the year it was when you left
  - Colonel Eddie Town? 8
  - 9 Α. It was in December 1998.
- 10:42:16 10 Do you know how long you were in Colonel Eddie Town for in Q.
  - 11 total?
  - 12 Well, we spent about four months in Colonel Eddie Town. Α.
  - 13 Q. Witness, on the last occasion you testified, or one of the
  - last occasions you testified, and it's been a long time so I'm 14
- 10:42:39 15 going to remind you, you talked about radio communications at
  - 16 Camp Rosos. Did radio communication cease after Camp Rosos?
  - 17 As I said earlier, that we had another radio communication Α.
  - in Colonel Eddie Town. 18
  - 19 0. You've spoken last time about radio communication in
- Colonel Eddie Town with SAJ Musa. 10:43:14 20
  - 21 Α. Yes.
  - Were there any other radio communications that you recall 22 Q.
  - being made in Colonel Eddie Town? 23
  - As far as I can remember, as I said, SAJ communicated while 24 Α.
- 10:43:44 25 Gullit also communicated and talked with Issa Sesay. He also
  - 26 talked to Morris Kallon.
  - 27 Pause. Before I ask you a further question, I'm going to Q.
  - spell those. Your Honours are familiar those names: Issa, 28
  - 29 I-S-S-A; Sesay, S-E-S-A-Y. And Morris Kallon, M-O-R-R-I-S, new

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- word, K-A-L-L-O-N. 1
- 2 JUDGE LUSSICK: He used a pronoun there which I think
- 3 confused the meaning, at least to me. Did he mean that SAJ Musa
- talked with Gullit or Gullit talked with Issa Sesay?
- 10:44:31 5 MS PACK: I will ask the witness to clarify that,
  - 6 Your Honour, if I may.
  - 7 Q. Witness, you have spoken about two sets of names. Now, you
  - spoke on the last occasion about the communication with SAJ Musa 8
  - 9 before his arrival in Colonel Eddie Town; is that the
- 10:44:45 10 communication you're referring to in relation to him?
  - 11 Α. Yes. This was the communication before he arrived in
  - Colonel Eddie Town. 12
  - 13 You spoke about the communication on the last occasion Q.
  - 14 which was before O-Five arrived in Colonel Eddie Town; do you
- 10:45:29 15 recall that?
  - 16 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - And that was a communication with SAJ Musa; do you recall 17 Q.
  - talking about that communication? 18
  - 19 MR FOFANAH: May it please Your Honours, at this stage I
- 10:45:41 20 must rise to object on the grounds that my recollection of what
  - the witness said was only of one communication at Colonel Eddie 21
  - Town. My learned friend has clearly put that to the witness. 22
  - The witness is very clear that that is the communication that 23
  - he's referring to. Except if my learned friend wants to 24
- 10:46:00 25 introduce another new piece of evidence, which is clearly not in
  - 26 the records about a different communication before SAJ arrived.
  - 27 I stand guided by the records, but there was only one
  - communication. Thank you. 28
  - 29 MS PACK: Your Honour, I'm just seeking to assist the

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- witness in remembering what he said last time. I don't want him 1
- 2 to go over the communication he spoke about last time in Colonel
- 3 Eddie Town, which was the one you may recall him talking about,
- 4 which preceded O-Five arriving in Colonel Eddie Town. There was
- 10:46:32 5 a communication from SAJ Musa when SAJ Musa informed those in
  - 6 Colonel Eddie Town that O-Five -- that he was sending some men to
  - 7 their location. You may recall that was the communication that
  - was made. I am wanting to clarify now he said that there were 8
  - 9 communications made at Colonel Eddie Town between Gullit and SAJ
- 10:46:55 10 Musa and Gullit and others. I don't want him to repeat what he
  - 11 said last time. So in seeking to distinguish the two, that is
  - 12 all I'm seeking to do.
  - 13 MR FOFANAH: Your Honours, may I reply? I'm still saying
  - that until my learned friend puts the question directly and 14
- 10:47:09 15 clearly, and the evidence comes from the witness, my learned
  - 16 friend will be introducing a new piece of evidence if he goes
  - over what the witness has clearly just stated that he was 17
  - referring to the communication between SAJ and Gullit before the 18
  - 19 arrival of O-Five. Going over that and mentioning other things,
- 10:47:31 20 in my humble submission, would be introducing the fresh evidence.
  - If my learned friend wants, she can put it to the witness 21
  - and the witness can at least refresh his memory based on what he 22
  - 23 told the Court. Thank you.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: I would like to be clear, Mr Fofanah. 24
- 10:47:50 25 Are you saying the Prosecution cannot introduce fresh evidence;
  - 26 or that the Prosecution is now leading fresh evidence?
  - 27 MR FOFANAH: It can introduce fresh evidence, Your Honours,
  - 28 but only through the witness. Other than that, it will amount to
  - 29 leading the witness. Thank you.

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- PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, you can't lead the witness. If 1
- 2 this is a fresh piece of evidence, then it must come from the
- 3 witness directly.
- MS PACK: I'm not. I just wanted to remind him about that 4
- 10:48:17 5 last communication.
  - Now, you have spoken about radio communications with SAJ 6 Q.
  - Musa. You've talked about one before which related to the 7
  - arrival of O-Five and his men. Were there other communications 8
  - whilst you were at Colonel Eddie Town?
- 10:48:44 10 Yes. Just like I stated, that the only single Α.
  - 11 communication that Gullit had with Mosquito --
  - 12 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours would the witness please go
  - 13 a bit slowly, please.
  - MS PACK: 14
- 10:49:02 15 Q. Pause a moment.
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, could you repeat it again
  - slowly to allow the interpreter to interpret what you said. 17
  - 18 THE WITNESS: I said at Colonel Eddie Town, it was only one
  - 19 communication that Gullit had with Mosquito.
- 10:49:27 20 MS PACK:
  - 21 Q. Pause a moment. How do you know he had a communication
  - with Mosquito? 22
  - 23 Just like I earlier said, when I was with the Operation Α.
  - Commander A whom Gullit sent to him --24
- 10:49:52 25 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, I still cannot get the
  - witness. Let him go slow. 26
  - 27 MS PACK:
  - 28 Q. Let's break that down, please. How do you know that Gullit
  - 29 had a communication with Mosquito? And take it slowly, please,

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- 1 so what you're saying can be translated.
- 2 I myself was standing with Operation Commander A by the set Α.
- 3 where Gullit was communicating with Mosquito.
- 4 Q. How many communications with Mosquito did you hear Gullit
- 10:50:28 5 having?
  - MR FOFANAH: Objection. I think that there is finality to 6
  - 7 that answer. The only single communication is what the witness
  - 8 said. The only single communication that I heard between Gullit
  - 9 and Mosquito was what -- but I think that is final enough.
- 10:50:47 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: I have on record there is only one
  - 11 communication with Mosquito.
  - 12 MS PACK: Yes, Your Honour.
  - 13 Q. How did you know that on this occasion Gullit was speaking
  - to Mosquito? 14
- 10:51:03 15 Well, through the call sign, and Mosquito informed them Α.
  - 16 about the safety of Johnny Paul Koroma, just like I earlier said.
  - And he said he was very happy with the brothers as they have been 17
  - 18 able to live with them because he thought that the brothers had
  - 19 surrendered with the whole troop.
- 10:51:34 20 Did you hear Gullit say anything when this communication Q.
  - was made with Mosquito? 21
  - 22 Α. Yes.
  - What did you hear Gullit say? 23 Q.
  - Well, Gullit was happy. He said he was happy. He only 24 Α.
- 10:51:51 25 said that -- the only thing that stopped him from communicating
  - 26 was the set that was missing at one town towards Karina where he
  - said this set got missing. That's what he said led to the break 27
  - in communication. 28
  - 29 Pause. Witness, you started earlier by saying that Gullit Q.

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- also communicated with Issa Sesay and Morris Kallon. Where did 1
- 2 these communications take place?
- 3 Α. It was at Colonel Eddie Town.
- 4 Q. How do you know that Gullit communicated with Issa Sesay
- and Morris Kallon at Colonel Eddie Town? 10:52:39 5
  - Well, I myself moved with Operation Commander A and it was 6 Α.
  - 7 in front of me that this communication took place.
  - 8 Q. How did you know on these occasions it was Issa Sesay and
  - Morris Kallon who Gullit was speaking to?
- 10:53:15 10 Α. Well, it was through the call sign and later, Gullit gave
  - 11 the mic to Operation Commander A and also to Bazzy, so as to talk
  - 12 to the brothers.
  - 13 Witness, on how many occasions were you present when there Q.
  - were communications between Gullit, Issa Sesay and Morris Kallon? 14
- 10:53:41 15 Α. Well, as far as I can recall, the day that we discovered
  - 16 the mic in Batkanu.
  - Pause a moment. That was after you -- that was when you 17 Q.
  - had the communication at Rosos; is that correct? 18
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 10:53:58 20 I'm asking you now about Colonel Eddie Town. In Colonel Q.
  - 21 Eddie Town, how many times do you recall being present when
  - 22 communications were being made between Gullit and Morris Kallon
  - and Issa Sesay? 23
  - 24 As far as I can recall, it was once that they made a Α.
- 10:54:21 25 communication that they discussed.
  - 26 Apart from Bazzy and Operation Commander A, did anyone else Q.
  - 27 speak to Morris Kallon and Issa Sesay on this one occasion that
  - you recall in Colonel Eddie Town? 28
  - 29 Yes. Five-Five also communicated with them? Α.

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- Do you recall what was said on this occasion by those who 1 Q.
- 2 spoke to Issa Sesay and Morris Kallon?
- 3 As far as I can recall they exchanged greetings as they Α.
- said they were very happy. Since they have not been having the 4
- 10:55:16 5 communication with the brothers, so they only exchanged greetings
  - 6 and they told them about how things were going.
  - Witness, do you know who the radio operator was with the 7 Q.
  - men in Colonel Eddie Town? 8
  - 9 The radio man, I knew him, but I have forgotten his name. Α.
- 10:55:52 10 He was the one who was on the radio, because Jalloh, he died at
  - 11 Rosos.
  - Do you remember after O-Five came whether this radio 12 Q.
  - 13 operator was still alive?
  - 14 Yes, My Lord. Α.
- 10:56:12 15 Was he still alive after O-Five came? Q.
  - 16 Α. Yes.
  - 17 Were there other radio operators after O-Five came to Q.
  - Colonel Eddie Town? 18
  - 19 Α. Well, no. O-Five only came with the radio operator.
- Who? 10:56:35 20 Q.
  - This was Alfred Browne. 21 Α.
  - 22 MS PACK: That's a name Your Honours heard on the last
  - 23 occasion.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Would the witness please repeat the name. 24
- 10:56:44 25 I didn't hear him properly.
  - 26 MS PACK: Repeat the name, please, witness, and spell it
  - 27 for Their Honours.
  - 28 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is the interpreter we are not hearing.
  - 29 Mr Interpreter, if you could speak a little louder, please.

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- 1 MS PACK:
- Q. In any event, repeat the name and spell it slowly, please.
- 3 A. Alfred Browne. A-L-F-R-E-D, Alfred. Browne is
- 4 B-R-O-W-N-F.
- 10:57:51 5 Q. Witness, do you know what the relationship was like from
  - 6 what you heard between the men you were with and Issa Sesay,
  - 7 Morris Kallon and Mosquito?
  - 8 MR MANLY-SPAIN: May it please, Your Honours, that would
  - 9 definitely be asking this witness to speculate. The witness
- 10:58:13 10 clearly said that they greeted each other, and that was all.
  - 11 MS PACK: I think the witness can give evidence of this
  - 12 impression on the basis of the communication that he heard in
  - 13 Colonel Eddie Town, Your Honour. That's all I'm asking him to
  - 14 do.
- 10:58:34 15 MR FOFANAH: If that is the case, Your Honours, I will rise
  - and object on the grounds of foundation on the basis that the
  - 17 question calls for one speculation as averred by my learned
  - 18 colleague as well as a perception that borders on something which
  - is not necessarily within his knowledge.
- 10:58:58 20 The witness has earlier told this Court that Mosquito, Issa
  - 21 Sesay and Morris Kallon were all members of a different faction,
  - 22 the RUF. For the witness to now come and at least tell us what
  - 23 kind of relationship, in his own opinion, existed between them,
  - in my estimation, would only be within the purvey of an expert,
- 10:59:24 25 especially since we are talking about military factions. Thank
  - 26 you.
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, Ms Pack, your reply to that second
  - 28 objection?
  - 29 MS PACK: I repeat what I said before. I'm asking him to

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- give evidence as to the impression he formed from a radio 1
- 2 communication that he heard, and that's all.
- 3 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Ms Pack, you're saying you want the
- 4 witness to tell the Court the impression he got from greetings
- 11:00:02 5 that were exchanged as to a relationship that existed; is that
  - 6 the question?
  - 7 MS PACK: For the sake of expedience, I will withdraw the
  - question and move on. 8
  - [TB130605C-JM]
- 11:00:10 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, just before you move on. I
  - 11 notice it's 5 to 11.00. Are you now approaching another line of
  - evidence? 12
  - 13 MS PACK: If I can just ask a couple of questions just to
  - 14 finish off what happened before the move from Colonel Eddie Town.
- 11:00:28 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, that would be neater.
  - 16 MS PACK:
  - Just to cover, Witness, the period before you left Colonel 17 Q.
  - 18 Eddie Town, you've spoken about a communication between Mosquito
  - 19 and Gullit, and you've spoken about a communication between
- 11:00:47 20 others with you and Issa Sesay and Morris Kallon. After SAJ Musa
  - arrived in Colonel Eddie Town, were there any radio 21
  - communications with anyone else that you recall? 22
  - As far as I can recall, the arrival of SAJ Musa, there was 23 Α.
  - no communication because SAJ as he was trying to beef up the 24
- 11:01:18 25 troops said all the RUF that were there should be arrested. And
  - 26 these were the ones that I'm going to mention. In his statement,
  - 27 he said the RUF should be arrested.
  - 28 Q. When did he say this?
  - 29 This was before the troop left. After that meeting, in Α.

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- which they discussed the administration, they said all the 1
- 2 administration should be captured and they should be executed.
- 3 In the event, were the RUF captured and executed, the RUF Q.
- 4 men with you?
- 11:01:59 5 Α. Well, at that moment, before SAJ Musa said these words,
  - 6 they only disarmed them, the RUF, because I said Superman
  - 7 attacked him at Koinadugu, and he would not come and see RUF
  - among the squad at Colonel Eddie Town, and that they should get 8
  - 9 rid of them. But that the whole troops pleaded with him, pleaded
- 11:02:25 10 with him on behalf of the RUF men.
  - 11 Q. Pause. How do you know that the whole troop pleaded with
  - 12 SAJ Musa?
  - 13 Well, as I was telling, the old man was just saying that Α.
  - 14 "Pa, we are begging for these people. These people have no
- 11:02:52 15 problems with us here. Please leave them." Everybody was giving
  - 16 his own opinion. "Pa, we are begging for these people."
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Ms Pack, did the witness say the old man 17
  - begged? Was that what I heard the witness say? 18
  - 19 MS PACK: I thought he said the whole troop.
- 11:03:18 20 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: No, no, no. He was quoting someone. He
  - said, I stood by and the old man said, Pa, we beg you to spare 21
  - these men. Witness, is that what you said? 22
  - THE WITNESS: I said this was what everybody was saying, 23
  - when SAJ said that the RUF should be executed. So everybody was 24
- 11:03:33 25 saying that, because I myself said that "Pa, I would beg. Please
  - 26 forgive them," whilst all the others have been saying the same
  - 27 thing. "Do, Pa, please forgive the RUF. These people have no
  - 28 problems when they were staying with us. "
  - 29 MS PACK:

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- 1 Q. Pause there. Who are you referring to when you say Pa?
- 2 Who are you addressing?
- 3 Α. SAl Musa.
- Witness, that's all I've got to ask on this topic. 4
- 11:04:09 5 Your Honours, if that's a convenient moment?
  - 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Ms Pack. We'll adjourn for 15
  - minutes. 7
  - Mr Court Attendant, please adjourn the Court for 15 8
  - 9 minutes.
- 11:04:20 10 [Recess taken at 11.04 a.m.]
  - 11 [On resuming at 11.25 a.m.]
  - 12 PRESIDING JUDGE: Please proceed, Ms Pack.
  - 13 MS PACK: Thank you, Your Honour.
  - 14 Witness, you said earlier that after the meeting with SAJ Q.
- 11:25:43 15 Musa in Colonel Eddie Town that the troops set off for Freetown.
  - 16 And you said you left for the villages around Mange Bureh.
  - Witness, after Mange Bureh, where did you head to? 17
  - 18 I just want to make a statement, the last statement of SAJ
  - 19 which he gave at Colonel Eddie Town before he left. He said that
- 11:26:14 20 if the troops reached Freetown, no commander should move with any
  - vehicle and that only support vehicles and medical vehicles, 21
  - these were the ones that he allowed to pass through. 22
  - 23 Q. Thank you, Witness. The troops then headed to Mange Bureh.
  - After Mange Bureh, where did they go? Where did you go? 24
- 11:26:57 25 Well, whilst -- when we crossed the two villages to Mange Α.
  - 26 Bureh and the enemy, the enemy forces attacked our troops --
  - 27 Q. Pause a moment, Witness. Witness, I'm not going to ask you
  - 28 to go into detail about the next portion of your evidence as you
  - 29 headed towards Freetown. So we could just take what happened

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- after Mange Bureh next. Where did you get to after Mange Bureh 1
- 2 and the villages around there?
- 3 Α. Well, after Mange Bureh, we headed for one village. The
- troop headed for one village which was called Maraykula. 4
- 11:27:43 5 Q. Would you spell Maraykula, please, for the Chamber.
  - 6 Α. As far as I can remember, the spelling, M-A-R-A-Y-K-U-L-A.
  - Did anything happen in Maraykula? 7 Q.
  - 8 Α. Yes.
  - 9 Q. What happened in Maraykula?
- 11:28:14 10 Α. In Maraykula, Santigie Borbor Kanu had ordered the burning
  - down of that town. 11
  - 12 Q. Pause a moment. How did you know that Santigie Borbor Kanu
  - 13 ordered the burning down of that town?
  - In fact, it was in front of me that he gave that order, 14 Α.
- 11:28:34 15 that they burnt Maraykula.
  - 16 Q. After this order was given, was anything done?
  - Well, Maraykula was completely burnt down. 17 Α.
  - 18 Q. Who burned Maraykula down?
  - 19 Α. Five-five himself was standing there. He set fire on it.
- 11:29:06 20 Whilst I and the other soldiers who were around also set fire on
  - the village. 21
  - 22 After Maraykula, where did you go? Q.
  - 23 We moved towards Lunsar axis. Α.
  - Pause a moment. Would you spell Lunsar, please, for the 24 Q.
- 11:29:28 25 Chamber.
  - L-U-N-S-A-R. 26 Α.
  - 27 Q. Did you stop anywhere in the Lunsar axis?
  - 28 Α. Yes, the troop stopped at one village towards Lunsar.
  - 29 Do you recall the name of the village? Q.

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- 1 Α. Mamusa, yes.
- 2 Q. Would you spell that for the Chamber, please.
- 3 M-A-M-U-S-A. Α.
- Q. Where did you go after that?
- 11:30:26 5 Α. Well, SAJ Musa ordered that Lunsar town be attacked.
  - 6 Q. Pause a moment. How do you know that SAJ Musa ordered that
  - 7 Lunsar town be attacked?
  - Well, at this village, at Mamusa, SAJ Musa called on the 8 Α.
  - 9 operation commander, and he told him to call the mission
- 11:30:42 10 commander, and they appointed the RDF commander who was
  - 11 Colonel Terminator to lead the troop to Lunsar.
  - 12 Q. Pause. How do you know that he called on the operation
  - commander and the mission commander and called on the RDF 13
  - 14 commander to lead the troop? How do you know this?
- 11:31:06 15 This was in front of me as I was in the headquarter when Α.
  - 16 Colonel SAJ called this. And I myself went to the operation at
  - 17 Lunsar.
  - What happened on the operation at Lunsar? 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. Well, at Lunsar, I and the troop that was there attacked,
- 11:31:25 20 and we attacked military positions at Lunsar. And the ECOMOG
  - forces withdrew. 21
  - Pause a moment. How do you know that you attacked ECOMOG 22 Q.
  - 23 forces?
  - Well, in fact, from the civilians, one of them that the 24 Α.
- 11:31:47 25 troop captured, they told us about ECOMOG forces and the uniform
  - 26 and the arms and ammunition that were captured from the ECOMOG at
  - 27 Lunsar, we clearly stated that Nigerian and ECOMOG forces, all
  - the boxes -- on the boxes we had ECOMOG --28
  - 29 THE INTERPRETER: Yes, Your Honours, I was not able to get

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- the last bit of what the witness just said. 1
- 2 MS PACK:
- 3 Q. Witness, I'll just ask you to repeat the last bit. You've
- talked about the uniforms and arms and ammunition. Just tell us
- 11:32:25 5 what they said they showed to you?
  - 6 Α. The boxes of uniforms, they wrote Nigerian and ECOMOG
  - forces. The boxes of ammunition that we captured at Lunsar also 7
  - indicates that they were Nigerian and ECOMOG forces. 8
  - 9 Q. What did you do with the boxes of the uniforms and the
- 11:32:52 10 boxes of arms and ammunitions?
  - 11 Α. Well, I and the commander with the troops that went
  - returned with these boxes. We took these boxes and brought them 12
  - 13 back to the temporal base at Mamusa where SAJ was.
  - 14 Witness, after Lunsar, or after the temporal base by Q.
- 11:33:22 15 Mamusa, where did you go?
  - 16 Α. Well, the troop left towards and went towards Gberi
  - Junction. 17
  - Please spell Gberi Junction for Their Honours. 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. G-B-E-R-I J-U-N-C-T-I-O-N.
- 11:33:48 20 Did anything happen at Gberi Junction? Q.
  - Well, at Gberi Junction, we had resistance from troops that 21 Α.
  - were there, and we pushed them from Gberi Junction. 22
  - 23 After Gberi Junction, where did you go? Q.
  - The troop -- I and the other men, including SAJ, moved 24 Α.
- 11:34:16 25 towards Masiaka axis.
  - 26 Please spell Masiaka for Their Honours. We've heard it Q.
  - 27 before, but if you would please spell it.
  - Α. M-A-S-I-A-K-A. 28
  - 29 Did anything happen at Masiaka? Q.

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- MR FOFANAH: Objection. The witness has not said that 1
- 2 they've arrived at Masiaka. He said they moved in Masiaka axis.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, I've got on record they moved
- towards Masiaka. We haven't got them reaching it yet.
- 11:34:52 5 MS PACK:
  - 6 Q. Did you reach Masiaka?
  - 7 Α. Well, we formed a temporal base at the axis between
  - Masiaka, SAJ ordered that the troops, as we heard an announcement 8
  - 9 over the international media that Masiaka was -- that the
- 11:35:14 10 government declared that Masiaka was their strong base. That was
  - 11 their iron gate.
  - 12 Q. Pause. How do you know the announcement was on the radio
  - 13 that the government had declared Masiaka as a strong base?
  - 14 Α. Well, this was over the BBC as I and the other men
- 11:35:40 15 listened, after the attack at Gberi Junction and Lunsar, Lunsar
  - 16 and Gberi Junction, and the correspondent in Freetown went on the
  - 17 air and said that the forces had attacked Lunsar and Gberi
  - 18 Junction. So the government said they had strong manpower and
  - 19 Masiaka was the iron gate.
- 11:36:07 20 From the temporal base that you were at in the Masiaka Q.
  - axis, did you go anywhere? 21
  - 22 Α. Yes.
  - 23 Where did you go? Q.
  - 24 Α. Masiaka. Masiaka village.
- 11:36:23 25 Did anything happen in Masiaka? Q.
  - 26 Yes. I and the other soldiers, including Colonel Papah, Α.
  - attacked Masiaka and we captured some Guineans and executed them 27
  - 28
  - 29 How do you know that the men that you captured were Q.

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- Guineans? 1
- 2 Α. Well, in fact, all of them were in full Guinea nation and
- 3 they were speaking French. And the military tank that was there
- had a Guinean number, and the ammunition boxes that we discovered 4
- 11:37:06 5 also contained Guinean contingent. It was clearly a Guinean
  - 6 contingent.
  - 7 Q. Pause a moment. After you came upon the ammunition boxes,
  - what did you do with those? 8
  - After which we took all the ammunitions and went with them 9 Α.
- to Masiaka, myself and the troops that went there, we took all 11:37:37 10
  - and returned to the temporal base where he lost the commander 11
  - 12 we -- who led the troops to Masiaka, Colonel Papah.
  - 13 Q. Is this the same Papah as Hassan Papah Bangura?
  - 14 No, no, no. This was one of the commanders that we Α.
- 11:38:01 15 came -- that came with SAJ called Papah.
  - 16 Q. Can you just spell Papah.
  - 17 Α. P-A-P-A-H.
  - 18 Witness, after you returned to Masiaka, did you go anywhere
  - 19 after that?
- 11:38:20 20 Α. Yes.
  - 21 Q. Where did you go?
  - 22 SAJ said we should attack the highway to Masi -- the Α.
  - 23 Masiaka Highway, after which Colonel Terminator led the troops to
  - 24 go and ambush the Masiaka Highway.
- 11:38:38 25 Pause. How do you know that SAJ said you should go and 0.
  - 26 ambush the Masiaka Highway?
  - 27 Α. Well, just after the operation at Masiaka, SAJ Musa had to
  - call me where I was standing, and he called the operation 28
  - 29 commander and called the mission commander where he appointed

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- 1 Colonel Terminator again to lead this troop at the highway.
- 2 Q. Did the mission take place?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- Q. How do you know that?
- 11:39:16 5 Α. Well, I myself went to this mission as the troops succeeded
  - ambushing ECOMOG vehicles, Nigerian vehicles. 6
  - What happened as a result of the ambush? 7 Q.
  - Well, the two vehicles left in the ambush. I and the other 8 Α.
  - soldiers were able to get ammunition from the troops but we were
- 11:39:42 10 not able to capture the soldiers. All of them pulled out of the
  - vehicle. 11
  - 12 Q. After this ambush operation, where did you go?
  - 13 Α. SAJ said the troops should attack Mile 38.
  - 14 How do you know he said this? Q.
- 11:40:01 15 Well, as he took the turn, I was standing and told -- and Α.
  - 16 said that we should go and attack, and the information said that
  - they had a strong base which was a ECOMOG base at Mile 38. 17
  - 18 Q. Did this attack take place?
  - 19 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 11:40:21 20 How do you know that? Q.
  - 21 Α. It took place. Well, I myself took part in that operation
  - where we went and rescued one of our men that was captured at 22
  - 23 Masiaka from Mile 38.
  - After the operation at Mile 38, the attack at Mile 38, 24 Q.
- 11:40:41 25 where did you go?
  - 26 Well, at that time, since they fired Colonel Terminator, Α.
  - 27 that operation, they took him back to the temporal base within
  - the Masiaka axis. And later SAJ said the troops should move 28
  - 29 forward. The whole troop moved towards Mamamah.

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- 1 Q. Pause. Mamamah, would you spell that, please, for Their
- 2 Honours.
- 3 Α. M-A-M-A-M-A-H.
- Q. Where did you go after Mamamah?
- 11:41:45 5 Α. Well, whilst the troop, SAJ ordered that we should go
  - 6 further, and we moved to Newton village.
  - Before you got to Newton, did you go anywhere else? 7 Q.
  - Um, before the troop left from --8 Α.
  - MS THOMPSON: [Microphone not activated]
- 11:42:09 10 MS PACK: My apologies.
  - 11 Q. Please spell Newton for Their Honours.
  - 12 N-E-W-T-O-N. Α.
  - 13 Before you got to Newton, did you go anywhere else? Q.
  - 14 Yes, just as I said, we moved to RDF Camp. Α.
- 11:42:32 15 Q. RDF Camp, is that another name for another location?
  - 16 Α. Yes, this was the former -- this was the former base of the
  - 17 RSLA.
  - 18 Q. After RDF, did you go anywhere?
  - 19 Α. Yes, we moved to Mamamah.
- 11:43:04 20 Q. And then after Mamamah?
  - Well, at Mamamah, the people came between SAJ as Mosquito 21 Α.
  - went over the international media and claimed that these troops 22
  - 23 that were moving to us from Freetown had attacked the military
  - base at RDF --24
- 11:43:25 25 Pause. How do you know that --Q.
  - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, I didn't quite hear the
  - 27 interpretation. Could the witness please repeat it, the bit from
  - 28 after RDF, yes, we moved to Mamamah. Could you please repeat
  - 29 that.

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- MS PACK: 1
- 2 Q. Explain, please, what happened. And take it slowly.
- 3 Α. After Mile 38, the troops moved to RDF. From RDF, the
- troop moved to Mamamah.
- 11:44:02 5 Q. What happened in Mamamah?
  - We were all at Mamamah. We listened to an announcement 6 Α.
  - over the international media in which they interviewed Mosquito. 7
  - What was said during that interview? 8 Q.
  - 9 Well, Mosquito said that the troops moving has attacked the Α.
- 11:44:28 10 military base at RDF.
  - 11 Q. Did he say anything else apart from saying that there had
  - 12 been an attack at the military base at RDF?
  - 13 And he said again that the troops are moving towards Α.
  - 14 Freetown.
- 11:44:44 15 Q. Whose troops did he say -- was he talking about?
  - 16 Α. Well, he said the troops which are under his command.
  - Did anything happen after you heard over the international 17 Q.
  - 18 radio Mosquito saying these things?
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 11:45:13 20 MR FOFANAH: May it please, Your Honours. I'm sorry for
  - interrupting again. The witness has still not laid a foundation 21
  - 22 as to how he came by the knowledge that it was Mosquito who was
  - 23 speaking on the radio.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, Ms Pack, that's correct. 24
- MS PACK: 11:45:28 25
  - 26 How do you know that the person you heard on the BBC was Q.
  - 27 Mosquito --
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Was BBC mentioned? I heard international 28
  - 29 media.

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- MS PACK: 1
- 2 Q. How do you know that the person you heard on the
- 3 international radio was Mosquito?
- Well, as I clearly said it, it was over the British 4 Α.
- 11:45:51 5 Broadcasting Corporation which was the BBC, and it was Robin
  - White who conducted the interview wherein he asked Mosquito, he 6
  - asked him -- because he stated that he was part of the field 7
  - commander of the RUF. He called on their stations. He said that 8
  - 9 the troops -- his troops have moved towards -- they have captured
- 11:46:15 10 a strategic base, which is the RDF, and they were moving towards
  - 11 Freetown.
  - 12 Q. Did anything happen after this broadcast on the
  - 13 international media?
  - 14 Α. Yes.
- 11:46:41 15 Q. What happened?
  - 16 Α. In this announcement where I stood together with my
  - supervisor who was the former Operation Commander A, SAJ 17
  - 18 immediately called on the --
  - 19 THE INTERPRETER: Go over that, please. Go over. Called
- 11:46:56 20 on who?
  - MS PACK: 21
  - 22 Witness, who did SAJ Musa call on? Q.
  - 23 Alfred Brown. Α.
  - How do you know he called on Alfred Brown? 24 Q.
- 11:47:13 25 Well, as I stood there, he ordered the battlefield Α.
  - 26 inspector to call on Alfred Brown.
  - 27 Q. What then happened?
  - Alfred Brown, he reported --28 Α.
  - 29 How do you know he reported? Q.

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- 1 Α. Well, I stood there as I was close to my supervisor.
- 2 Q. What happened after he called him?
- 3 In fact, SAJ directly accused him that he was responsible Α.
- for -- to give information about how the troops are moving, that
- 11:47:51 5 he is giving the information to Mosquito.
  - 6 0. After he said this, did anything happen?
  - 7 Α. Well, Alfred Brown denied. He said he had nothing to do
  - with that information, that he had nothing to do with that. So 8
  - 9 SAJ strictly warned him. And in fact, SAJ ordered that he should
- 11:48:15 10 not come closer to the radio set as from now.
  - 11 Q. Did anything else happen after the radio announcement and
  - 12 then the incident with Alfred Brown?
  - 13 Α. Well, SAJ stopped him. And later we had complete
  - 14 bombardment at that area.
- 11:48:46 15 Were there any other announcements or communications that Q.
  - 16 you heard?
  - Well, the only communication is that SAJ, while they 17 Α.
  - mounted the set, he intercepted Mosquito while he was talking. 18
  - 19 Q. How do you know that SAJ mounted the set?
- 11:49:10 20 I was there standing when they mounted the set. Α.
  - Did he communicate with anyone? 21 Q.
  - He intercepted Mosquito while he was talking. And SAJ told 22 Α.
  - him that, in fact, he -- in fact, he was an SBU. He termed 23
  - Mosquito as an SBU. That he was a trained military personnel. 24
- 11:49:42 25 Mosquito had no right to go over the international media and
  - 26 declare that it was his troops that were moving towards Freetown.
  - 27 Q. Where did this communication take place?
  - 28 Α. It was at Mamamah.
  - 29 MS PACK: SBU is the initials that the witness used,

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- 1 Your Honours. SBU.
- 2 Q. Just perhaps remind Their Honours what SBU stands for.
- 3 Α. Small boys unit. Small boys unit.
- After Mamamah, where did you go? Q.
- 11:50:22 5 Α. The troop moved towards Newton village.
  - Did you arrive in Newton? 6 Q.
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - 8 Q. What happened in Newton?
  - 9 Α. Well, whilst we formed a temporal base at Newton from which
- we also had some bombardment in Newton. 11:50:45 10
  - 11 Q. Did anything else happen while you were there?
  - 12 Well, yes, later after this bombardment at night, SAJ Α.
  - 13 ordered that the troops move towards Waterloo.
  - 14 Q. Did you arrive at Waterloo?
- 11:51:06 15 Α. Yes, indeed. We arrived in Waterloo.
  - 16 Q. Did anything happen when you got there?
  - Yes. In Waterloo, we had face-to-face talk with the 17 Α.
  - civilian populace. We told them that we were SLA. We have come 18
  - 19 to reinstate the army and we would like the cooperation of the
- 11:51:39 20 civilian population to join us in the fight as only that we
  - really wanted the SLA to be reinstated. The way they disbanded 21
  - the SLA, that is the reason why we are fighting to reinstate it. 22
  - 23 And that was the statement we gave to the civilian population as
  - SAJ had warned us to talk to the civilians. 24
- 11:52:00 25 MR FOFANAH: May it please, Your Honours, again the
  - witness -- I think Your Honours had earlier ruled on this. He is 26
  - 27 again speaking in the plural. He keeps saying we, we did this,
  - we did that. I don't know if he's talking about everyone or only 28
  - 29 himself.

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- MS PACK: Your Honours, I'll ask him to clarify that. 1
- 2 Q. Witness, you're talking about "we" spoke to the civilians.
- 3 Who spoke to the civilians?
- I said myself and the other soldiers who came to Waterloo, 4 Α.
- 11:52:32 5 we talked to the civilian population.
  - 6 Q. Did you hear anything else or do anything else when you
  - were in Waterloo? 7
  - Well, whilst the troops captured Waterloo Town, whilst I 8 Α.
  - 9 moved with the supervisor to the locations that SAJ showed that
- 11:53:03 10 were the roundabout of Waterloo, SAJ called on the BFI, the
  - 11 battlefield inspector, and they called on the Lieutenant Colonel
  - 12 Foday Bah Marah who is also Bulldoze, he told him that he should
  - 13 move the troops towards Benguema.
  - Pause a moment, please. You just spoke about moving using 14 Q.
- 11:53:37 15 a supervisor. Who were you talking about and use a pseudonym if
  - 16 necessary.
  - Former Operation Commander A. 17 Α.
  - Perhaps you can just call him Supervisor A, just so that we 18 Q.
  - 19 know we're talking about the same person you previously called A.
- 11:53:56 20 Α. Okay, Madam.
  - 21 How do you know that SAJ gathered Lieutenant Colonel Foday Q.
  - 22 Bah Marah and the BFI, the battlefield inspector, to move on to
  - 23 Benguema?
  - 24 Well, as the troops had captured Waterloo, I moved toward Α.
- 11:54:15 25 the headquarter where SAJ was and together with Operation
  - Commander A, Supervisor A. And whilst I was standing there, SAJ 26
  - 27 called on the BFI and said -- and asked Commander Bulldoze to
  - 28 report.
  - 29 Q. Did you in the event go to Benguema?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. Spell Benguema, please.
- 3 Α. B-E-N-G-U-E-M-A.
- Q. What happened in Benguema?
- 11:54:56 5 Α. Well, whilst myself, Colonel Bulldoze first moved to
  - Benguema, we tried to test the support fire of the enemy forces 6
  - there. They retaliated heavily wherein Colonel Bulldoze ordered 7
  - me to wait on the ground while he was going back for my 8
  - 9 reinforcements and informed SAJ that --
- 11:55:20 10 0. Pause a moment. What is Benguema? What was Benguema at
  - 11 the time?
  - 12 Α. It was a military training centre, BTC.
  - 13 Q. Did Foday Bah Marah go and get reinforcements?
  - 14 Yes. Whilst I waited with some other men on the ground, Α.
- 11:55:52 15 Foday Bah Marah went back and brought reinforcements and he came.
  - 16 He met me in the position where I was waiting for him.
  - 17 Q. After you got reinforcements, did you capture Benguema?
  - 18 Well, the whole troops, myself and the other reinforcement Α.
  - 19 that came, we continued fighting until SAJ himself arrived. And
- 11:56:20 20 finally, and we were able to capture Benguema.
  - Did anything happen after you captured Benguema? 21 Q.
  - 22 Well, yes. Α.
  - 23 Q. What happened?
  - In Benguema, myself and the troops, we discovered a lot of 24 Α.
- 11:56:43 25 arms and ammunitions. And later whilst myself and Bazzy,
  - 26 together with late Colonel Eddie -- together with Colonel Eddie
  - 27 and also the Operations Commander O-five, we discovered
  - 120-millimetre bombs, mortar bombs. 28
  - 29 Whereabouts did you discover these? Q.

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- 1 A. Well, it was around the --
- THE INTERPRETER: I did not get the last word. Around
- 3 where?
- 4 MS PACK:
- 11:57:25 5 Q. Witness, can you repeat where you discovered the
  - 6 120-millimetre bombs?
  - 7 A. Not the bomb, but the gun itself, 120 millimetre.
  - 8 Q. Where did you find it?
  - 9 A. Closer towards the training shell and the ammunition dump
- 11:57:46 10 at Benguema.
  - 11 Q. Was that training shell and dump at Benguema?
  - 12 A. Well, the drill shell is closer to the dump. They are part
  - of the -- where the military do the drill.
  - MR FOFANAH: May it please, Your Honours. We are clearly
- 11:58:09 15 confused because, firstly, we really do not know whether it is
  - 16 counsel who is saying something or it is the witness. I don't
  - 17 know. But I think I'm speaking on behalf of my colleagues, we
  - 18 clearly do not know what the witness said, the last statement.
  - 19 MS PACK: I'll ask him to repeat because I wasn't sure
- 11:58:32 20 whether I had heard it properly.
  - 21 Q. Would you please explain, just take it slowly so that we
  - can hear and perhaps it can be interpreted slowly, where were you
  - 23 when you found the 120-millimetre gun? And just take the
  - location slowly that we can all understand whereabouts you were.
- 11:58:55 25 A. This 120-millimetre gun, it was where -- it was closer to
  - the drill shell in Benguema and the ammunition dump.
  - 27 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: [Microphone not activated]
  - THE INTERPRETER: Drill shell.
  - 29 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: That is the word we want to hear. What

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- is that? 1
- 2 THE INTERPRETER: That is the way he called it. Witness,
- 3 can you please spell the word.
- MS PACK:
- 11:59:28 5 Q. Witness, can you just spell drill shell, please.
  - D-R-I-L-L S-H-E-L-L. 6 Α.
  - Just explain briefly what a drill shell is. 7 Q.
  - The drill shell is where the military do their drills, the 8 Α.
  - parade. That is the area.
- 11:59:52 10 Q. Did anything happen at the location you were?
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 Q. What happened?
  - 13 Α. Whilst myself Bazzy, Colonel Eddie, and Colonel O-Five were
  - 14 trying to plant the mortar gun, and I heard a big sound, a blast
- 12:00:24 15 around the drill shell -- sorry, around the ammunition dump. So
  - 16 when this blast happened, I was also scared. And later, whilst
  - myself, Bazzy, Colonel Eddie and O-Five stood, then I saw one of 17
  - 18 the securities who was called Barrie who was a personal security.
  - 19 0. Pause. Please spell Barrie.
- 12:01:02 20 Α. B-A-R-I-E.
  - 21 Who was he personal security to? Q.
  - 22 Α. He was a personal security to SAJ.
  - 23 What did you see him do? Q.
  - To my surprise, I saw him carry somebody on his shoulder 24 Α.
- 12:01:21 25 and was moving towards where I and Bazzy and O-Five and Colonel
  - Eddie stood. 26
  - 27 Did you see subsequently who he was carrying? Q.
  - 28 Α. Well, when this man came closer to where we were standing,
  - 29 we said, Oh, Papay - that is called Bazzy - Papay, he said, Here

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- is Eagle. 1
- 2 Q. Papay was who?
- 3 Α. He was calling -- this is a name we used to call
- authorities, that he was referring to Papay, with whom I was
- 12:02:04 5 standing.

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- 6 And when you say "Eagle was with us," who is he referring Q.
- 7 to?
- SAJ. 8 Α.
  - Q. What happened then?
- 12:02:18 10 Immediately he took SAJ from his shoulder and laid him on Α.
  - 11 the ground.
  - Was SAJ alive? 12 Q.
  - 13 Α. Well, at the moment he laid him down, Gullit came with
  - 14 Woyoh and Five-Five and I, too, came there. They were coming
- 12:02:39 15 from the ammunition dump towards where I, Bazzy, O-Five and Eddie
  - 16 stood. So immediately Gullit said, "Let them open the door".
  - 17 They removed one of the doors. So they laid him there on the
  - door. 18
  - 19 Q. Pause. And at this point, was SAJ Musa alive?
- 12:03:04 20 Α. Well, what I observed was that they took pig milk which we
  - said they were going to give SAJ, what I observed. And whilst 21
  - 22 they opened the pig milk and gave it to him to his mouth, the
  - 23 milk came out of his mouth. The milk came out of his mouth. SAJ
  - 24 was not able to drink it. So the helmet he had on, you will see
- 12:03:31 25 there was a round hole in the helmet.
  - 26 What happened to the helmet? Q.
  - 27 Α. This helmet had a round hole. Even Gullit said, "Oh, it
  - could be that this is the area where the thing passed through." 28
  - 29 What did you see finally had happened to SAJ Musa? Q.

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- Well, what I observed, as immediately the milk was given to 1 Α.
- 2 SAJ, SAJ was not able to drink it. Immediately I knew that SAJ
- 3 was dead. So immediately I was afraid. So I stood. I was
- afraid.
- 12:04:22 5 Q. What did you do?
  - 6 Α. Well, immediately, one of the colonels who was around who
  - was Colonel -- Lieutenant Colonel Kallay, who was one of the 7
  - commanders --
  - 9 Pause. Spell that, please. Q.
- 12:04:43 10 K-A-L-L-A-Y. Α.
  - 11 Q. Full name?
  - 12 Kallay. I know him to be Kallay. Α.
  - 13 Q. Go on. What happened? What did you do after you decided
  - that SAJ was dead? 14
- 12:05:06 15 Well, Colonel Kallay called me and said, "My Α.
  - 16 brother -- myself, let us move immediately. Let us go towards
  - Macdonald, towards Tombo axis." 17
  - 18 Q. [Microphone not activated].
  - 19 Α. Well, myself and Kallay moved towards Macdonald where the
- 12:05:29 20 other troops had moved.
  - 21 Q. Pause.
  - MS PACK: You've had these names before, Your Honours. 22
  - 23 But Tombo, would you spell that, please, Witness. Q.
  - T-O-M-B-O. 24 Α.
- 12:05:44 25 And Macdonald, would you spell that, please. Q.
  - 26 M-A-C-D-O-N-A-L-D. Α.
  - 27 How long did you stay in Macdonald? Q.
  - Well, whilst I went to Macdonald, I had to inform one of 28 Α.
  - 29 the commanders who was close to me. I said, "Oh, my brother,

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- there's a problem. I said I have seen SAJ; he's dead. And I'm 1
- 2 afraid."
- 3 Q. Pause. How long did you stay in Macdonald?
- Well, in Macdonald, we spent about two days in Macdonald 4 Α.
- 12:06:24 5 because we were not able to see Gullit and the other troops.
  - 6 Q. Were there others with you there?
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - 8 Q. Were you able to say about how many?
  - 9 Α. Well, I could not tell the number. But I know of the
- senior commanders with whom I was there with. 12:06:38 10
  - 11 Q. Did you leave Macdonald at one time?
  - 12 Well, while we were in Macdonald, no communication was Α.
  - 13 between us -- between myself and the troops there, and the other
  - 14 troops. We were not able to see Gullit, Five-Five, and the
- 12:07:03 15 others. So later, whilst the troops with whom I was there on
  - 16 foot patrol in search of Gullit, they also organised another
  - patrol and we met. 17
  - 18 What happened after you met troops on patrol? Q.
  - 19 Α. Well, the troops told us that now -- they told myself and
- 12:07:34 20 the soldiers that we went on finding that they were waiting for
  - Gullit and others waiting for us around Koba Water. 21
  - 22 Pause. Spell that, please, if you can. Q.
  - 23 It's a Krio word. K-O-B-A, Koba; W-A-T-E-R, Water. Α.
  - Who was in Koba Water? 24 Q.
- 12:08:06 25 According to the men, the troop with whom we went to SAJ, Α.
  - 26 that Gullit and others were waiting at Koba Water.
  - Did you go to Koba Water? 27 Q.
  - Yes, we later -- myself and the troops who met, we returned 28 Α.
  - 29 to Macdonald where we were based, and we moved the other day to

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- 1 Koba Water.
- 2 Q. Did anyone stay in Macdonald?
- 3 Α. No. The whole troops.
- Q. What happened at Koba Water?
- 12:08:42 5 Α. Well, while myself and the troops arrived, to my surprise,
  - what I saw, I saw Gullit was in full uniform of SAJ. He had a 6
  - helmet -- the helmet which SAJ had on. Then I saw SAJ CSO close 7
  - to Gullit. 8
  - 9 Q. Remind us who the CSO was?
- 12:09:11 10 Lieutenant Colonel Alabama. Α.
  - 11 Q. Did you find out then what had happened to SAJ Musa, if he
  - 12 was alive or dead?
  - 13 [TB130605D 12.05 a.m. - AD]
  - 14 MR FOFANAH: The question has been answered before. In
- 12:09:33 15 fact, he said he knew that SAJ Musa was dead at Benguema. In the
  - 16 question subsequent to that the Prosecutor said, "When you
  - decided that SAJ Musa was dead," blah blah, blah. So I think 17
  - 18 that question has been -- he said he knew that SAJ Musa was dead.
  - 19 MS PACK: I'll move on.
- 12:09:58 20 Q. From Coba Water, did you go anywhere?
  - From before the troops -- before we left Coba Water there 21 Α.
  - were rumours going around, the soldiers they were grumbling that, 22
  - 23 as I moved around between the soldiers I heard grumbling that
  - Gullit has killed SAJ Musa because he wanted power. That was 24
- what the soldiers said; that was what they said as I went round. 12:10:22 25
  - 26 "SAJ is dead because Gullit had killed him."
  - 27 Q. Pause. Did you go anywhere from Coba Water?
  - Yes, from this point Gullit himself ordered -- he said that 28
  - 29 the troops should go deep into the jungle within that area.

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- How do you know that Gullit said this? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. In fact, when I came to -- as I and the supervisor came to
- 3 decide where Gullit had been sitting with the other people, we
- moved and said this was the festive season. The other time it 4
- 12:11:02 5 was the 24th, as far as I can remember. It the 24th of December.
  - You're talking about the time at which these events were 6 Q.
  - taking place, the festive season. Just tell us now, what was the 7
  - 8 date roughly you are talking about?
  - 9 That particular date was on the 24th of December 1998. Α.
- 12:11:28 10 Q. This was when you were in Coba Water?
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 You said that Gullit said the troops should go into the Q.
  - 13 jungle. How do you know he said that?
  - 14 I was standing with my Supervisor A, and he said now at Α.
- 12:11:49 15 that time we did not engage any fighting, the troops would not
  - 16 engage any fighting. They said we should go further into the
  - jungle and find a temporal base. 17
  - 18 Q. Did you do that?
  - 19 Α. Yes. The whole troop moved in this temporal base.
- 12:12:05 20 Did anything happen at the temporal base? Q.
  - 21 Α. Yes.
  - 22 Q. What happened?
  - Well, at this temporal base, at that moment, we celebrated 23 Α.
  - Christmas Eve. The Christmas at that temporal base, after which 24
- 12:12:27 25 Gullit called on the military supervisors.
  - 26 How do you know Gullit called on the military supervisors? Q.
  - 27 Α. I myself was there. When he called on the -- he said they
  - should call on the operation commanders and the military 28
  - 29 supervisors, and the military commanders and battalion commanders

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- 1 to report.
- 2 Q. Did these individuals report to Gullit?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- Q. How do you know they reported to Gullit?
- 12:13:03 5 Α. I, myself, was there where Gullit called them, with
  - 6 supervisor A.
  - What was said after Gullit called these individuals? 7 Q.
  - Gullit said, "Now, somebody had had a dream", which was one 8 Α.
  - 9 lady.
- 12:13:35 10 Q. Who did he say this to?
  - 11 Α. I and the supervisors and the military commanders that were
  - 12 standing.
  - What did he say the dream was about? 13 Q.
  - 14 Gullit said, "Well, now, this woman dreams that SAJ Musa Α.
- 12:14:00 15 was crying as he was in his grave." He said SAJ was crying that
  - 16 the troops did not relent and that the troops should advance to
  - 17 Freetown.
  - 18 Did anything else happen at this point? Q.
  - 19 Α. While he was saying that, he said from now on he was -- he
- 12:14:30 20 had taken the position of SAJ Musa and that he was lieutenant
  - general and Bazzy would still be brigadier general. While he had 21
  - 22 appointed Five-Five -- sorry, he had promoted him to brigadier
  - 23 and that he had also promoted Woyoh to brigadier.
  - Pause. Just spell Woyoh; we have heard that lots of times 24 Q.
- 12:15:09 25 before, but could you spell it please?
  - W-O-Y-O-H. 26 Α.
  - 27 You are saying that Gullit promoted these individuals to Q.
  - brigadier and himself to the position of lieutenant general. Now 28
  - 29 you have identified as Bazzy as being promoted, Five-Five and

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- 1 Woyoh. Was anybody else promoted by Gullit at this meeting you
- 2 are talking about?
- 3 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- Q. Who else?
- 12:15:46 5 Α. He promoted the battalion commanders at that time to
  - colonel. 6
  - 7 Q. Anyone else promoted?
  - The only thing -- last thing that he said was that the 8 Α.
  - 9 second lieutenant, he said if the troops moved towards Freetown
- 12:16:15 10 they would become lieutenants while the lieutenants would become
  - 11 captain and the captains would become majors. This was the
  - 12 promise that he was going to give, but he did not make the
  - 13 announcement for the promotion. He only approved of the senior
  - 14 promotions.
- 12:16:33 15 You have said that Gullit said he took the position of Q.
  - 16 SAJ Musa. Did he say anything else about positions of men under
  - 17 him?
  - Yes, My Lord. He said now he was the chief in command. 18 Α.
  - 19 0. Did he say whether anyone, or who was directly under him?
- 12:17:02 20 Α. Yes, he said Bazzy was the deputy chief in command.
  - What were the words he used in relation to Bazzy at this 21 Q.
  - meeting by Gullit? 22
  - 23 He said Bazzy was deputy, the second in command, and he was Α.
  - to report to him directly. 24
- 12:17:33 25 Did he say anything about who was to be third in command? Q.
  - 26 Well, the other appointment that he made, he made Α.
  - 27 Five-Five -- he promoted him, sorry, as Brigadier and chief of
  - 28 staff, and also third in command.
  - 29 What were the words that were used in relation to Five-Five Q.

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- 1 at this meeting by Gullit?
- 2 Α. He said, Five-Five was the chief of staff and he was the
- 3 third in command and also he had approved of his appointment as a
- brigadier.
- 12:18:44 5 0. Did he say anything about any body that he and the other
  - 6 two you have just talked about were also members of?
  - MR FOFANAH: Your Honours, I object at this stage. It 7
  - seems our learned colleague has taken a consistent effort at 8
  - 9 leading this witness throughout. Firstly, the witness has not
- 12:19:19 10 told this Court about the existence of any body. For my
  - 11 colleague to infer that there was any such body and to invite the
  - 12 witness to name soldiers who are members of this body is clearly
  - 13 leading. That is my objection. At least, we are inviting our
  - 14 colleague to refrain from leading the witness because we observe
- 12:19:48 15 that she has been doing that for quite some time.
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Pack, I noted that there was no prior
  - objection to leading questions, but there is an objection now and 17
  - 18 it is a leading question.
  - 19 MS PACK: Thank you, Your Honour.
- 12:20:14 20 Q. Witness, did Gullit say anything else about who was to be
  - under the individuals you have already named -- himself, Bazzy 21
  - and Five-Five -- in the organisation of men? 22
  - 23 MS THOMPSON: That is leading. There is a better way of
  - framing the question. We don't know whether there were any other 24
- 12:20:48 25 people under these people that the witness has named.
  - MS PACK: 26
  - 27 Witness, I want you to go through each of the appointments,
  - 28 if any, that were made at this meeting with Gullit and the
  - 29 individuals you have identified. Now, you have identified Gullit

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- as the chief in command, you have identified Bazzy as the deputy 1
- 2 chief in command and you have identified Five-Five as the third
- 3 in command and the chief of staff. After those appointments were
- made, do you recall any other appointments made? Please just go 4
- 12:21:24 5 through them one by one as you go down any structure.
  - 6 Α. Gullit also appointed Woyoh.
  - MS PACK: Pause. Spelt before, Your Honours, by the 7
  - witness -- W-O-Y-O-H. 8
  - 9 Q. What did he appoint him to?
- 12:21:49 10 Director of operations. Α.
  - 11 Q. You have already said that he was also promoted to
  - 12 brigadier?
  - 13 Α. Yes.
  - 14 What were the words used by Gullit about Woyoh at this Q.
- 12:22:10 15 meeting?
  - 16 Α. Gullit said -- now, he was going to make a new appointment,
  - which was the DOO, the director of operations. And, as I said 17
  - 18 Woyoh was -- he had promoted him to brigadier and he was to
  - 19 report directly to the chief of staff. He was in charge of all
- 12:22:37 20 operations.
  - Pause; just remind us who the chief of staff was at this 21 Q.
  - 22 time.
  - 23 Brigadier Santigie Borbor Kanu, alias Five-Five. Α.
  - Going on, Witness, was there another appointment that was 24 Q.
- 12:23:00 25 made after the appointment of Brigadier Woyoh as the director of
  - 26 operations under Five-Five -- another appointment that was made?
  - 27 Α. Gullit continued to say that the other appointments he made
  - 28 to be the same. He only appointed the CSO, who was Alabama, to
  - 29 become his new CSO.

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- You have already identified Alabama as being, his full 1 Q.
- 2 name, Ali Touray.
- 3 Yes. And also the BFI; he said they should continue to Α.
- report directly to him as they used to report to SAJ.
- 12:23:53 5 0. Pause a moment. The BFI -- who was that?
  - It was Lieutenant Colonel Konjor, who was promoted by 6 Α.
  - Gullit to a colonel. 7
  - 8 Q. Now, Konjor; you have talked about him before, but just
  - spell that please for the Court.
- 12:24:28 10 K-O-N-J-O-R. Α.
  - 11 Q. Is this the same Konjor who was the battlefield inspector
  - 12 in the earlier organisation of men under SAJ Musa?
  - 13 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - What was the words used in relation to Lieutenant Colonel 14 Q.
- 12:24:55 15 Konjor at this meeting by Gullit?
  - 16 Α. Gullit said the appointment of the BFI would remain the
  - same and the BFI should report directly to him, but he was 17
  - 18 subordinate in rank to the deputy chief of command, the chief of
  - staff and the director of operations. 19
- 12:25:22 20 Witness, you have said that the appointment remained the Q.
  - same, but I would like you to go through each of them now so that 21
  - we are clear what each of the appointments are at this stage. 22
  - 23 Earlier you have spoken about O-Five having a position in the
  - 24 organisation of men. Would you please identify, was anything
- 12:26:18 25 said about O-Five in this meeting with Gullit?
  - 26 As I said earlier on, he said the other appointments Α.
  - 27 remained the same and that O-Five, he was only promoted to
  - colonel and he still held the post of operation commander. 28
  - 29 Foyoh, who was also appointed -- I mean, he also promoted him to

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- colonel and he still held the position of mission commander. 1
- 2 Q. Pause. Just spell Foyoh again, please, for the Chamber.
- 3 Α. F-0-Y-0-H.
- 4 Q. What were the words used in relation to Foyoh at this

## 12:27:17 5 meeting?

- 6 JUDGE LUSSICK: Ms Pack, you have asked that question
- 7 several times. I think it is a pointless question. Either
- 8 Gullit is like SAJ Musa, who apparently refers to himself in the
- 9 third person, or the other alternative is that the words stated
- 12:27:38 10 by the witness were not in fact said by Gullit. Do you
  - 11 understand what I am saying? Every time you ask him what were
  - 12 the words used, he has Gullit speaking in the third person. So,
  - 13 they weren't the words used. I am wondering the point of asking
  - 14 him that question all the time when you don't insist that he
- 12:28:05 15 actually uses the words that Gullit used.
  - 16 MS PACK: Well I will ask the witness to endeavour to do
  - 17 so.
  - Just on Foyoh, you have heard what His Honour said. I am 18 Q.
  - 19 going to ask you again in relation to Foyoh if you were able to
- 12:28:24 20 remember the words used by Gullit please use them in the manner
  - that he spoke them as opposed to describing them in the third 21
  - 22 person.
  - What I heard Gullit said, he said he had promoted Gullit to 23 Α.
  - colonel and that he was working with the operation commander. 24
- 12:28:48 25 JUDGE LUSSICK: All right, the Court is entitled to view
  - 26 that type of evidence in two ways: Firstly, that Gullit refers
  - 27 to himself in the third person, or the alternative possibility is
  - 28 that they were not the words used by Gullit.
  - 29 MS PACK:

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- 1 Q. Witness, if you understand what I mean when I am asking you
- 2 the question, "What did Gullit say?", I am asking you to repeat
- 3 what he said, whether he used the words "I did this", "I did
- that", "I appoint", or "I promote", or whether he used the words
- 12:29:27 5 "He promoted", "He appointed" and so on. Perhaps if I can just
  - 6 ask you to identify what you mean to say. Do you mean to say
  - 7 that he said he had promoted Colonel Foyoh, or did he say "I
  - promote"? Just explain for the Court please. 8
  - 9 Gullit said, "I have promoted", "I have approved the Α.
- promotion", "I myself have approve the promotion." 12:29:54 10
  - 11 MS THOMPSON: Your Honour --
  - 12 PRESIDING JUDGE: Sorry, Ms Thompson, I cannot hear two of
  - 13 you at once.
  - MS THOMPSON: Sorry, Your Honour. Before the witness 14
- 12:30:06 15 completes the answer, I object. I heard what he said and I heard
  - 16 what the interpreter also said. What he said was in the third
  - person and what the interpreter interpreted in the first person. 17
  - For the interpreter's purposes, he said "He say", and the 18
  - 19 interpreter said "I".
- 12:30:24 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, repeat exactly what you said,
  - and Mr Interpreter, interpret it exactly as said. 21
  - THE WITNESS: Gullit said, "I, Gullit have approved the 22
  - appointment of Foyoh", I mean "The promotion of Foyoh as a 23
  - 24 colonel and that he still holds the appointment as mission
- 12:30:59 25 commander."
  - MS PACK: 26
  - 27 Q. Did he say anything in relation to Foyoh, about whom he was
  - either subordinate or superior to in the organisation of men? 28
  - 29 Α. Yes.

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- Before I ask you to tell us what he said, I would ask you 1 Q.
- 2 again, Witness, to use the words that he used in the form he used
- 3 them. Do you understand what I mean by that?
- Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 12:31:42 5 0. Go on please, to just tell us what Gullit said in relation
  - 6 to where he was, who was subordinate or superior to him.
  - 7 He said, "I, Gullit, have approved the promotion of Foyoh Α.
  - 8 as a colonel and he was to report directly to the operation
  - 9 commander as mission commander."
- 12:32:13 10 Q. Witness, in relation to Woyoh, who you have identified, the
  - 11 director -- my apologies, you have identified Woyoh as the
  - 12 director of operations; you have identified the battlefield
  - 13 inspector; you have identified O-Five as the operation commander.
  - Now, Witness, I want to ask you in relation to him, what were the 14
- 12:33:30 15 words used by Gullit in relation --
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, who is "him"?
  - MS PACK: O-Five. 17
  - The words used in relation to O-Five by Gullit at this 18 Q.
  - 19 meeting -- and if you could use the words in fact used by Gullit
- at this time. 12:33:47 20
  - Gullit said, "I, Gullit, have made the appointment -- have 21 Α.
  - appointed the promotion of O-Five from lieutenant colonel to 22
  - colonel and he still has the appointment of operation commander." 23
  - 24 Did he say anything about whether O-Five was subordinate or Q.
- 12:34:23 25 superior to anyone in the organisation of men?
  - 26 Yes. Α.
  - 27 What did he say? And, please, again remember as far as you Q.
  - 28 can to use the words that were used by Gullit on this occasion.
  - 29 He said, now as he had appointed Woyoh as the director of Α.

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- operation, Colonel O-Five should report to Woyoh. 1
- 2 Q. Now, Witness, you have spoken before about battalions, and
- 3 I want to go through the battalions at this stage and how they
- were set up. Was there still a first battalion at this point?
- 12:35:32 5 Α. After the death of SAJ and going into that jungle, Gullit
  - had just said that the battalions remain the same. 6
  - 7 Q. Gullit said that, did he, at this same meeting that you are
  - talking about? 8
  - 9 Α. Yes.
- 12:35:50 10 Q. I want to go through the battalions and ask you to identify
  - who was in command of each of them. Was there a 1st Battalion 11
  - still from before? 12
  - 13 Α. Yes. The first --
  - 14 Do you remember who had been the commander of the 1st Q.
- 12:36:11 15 Battalion?
  - 16 Α. Well, in that place, the commander, who was Lieutenant
  - Colonel Tito, was promoted to colonel and he still remained as 17
  - the 1st Battalion commander. 18
  - 19 Q. I am going to ask you to spell Tito. You have before, but
- 12:36:46 20 please spell it.
  - T-I-T-0. 21 Α.
  - 22 Witness, was there still a 2nd Battalion? Q.
  - 23 Yes, there was a 2nd Battalion. Gullit --Α.
  - Witness, who was the commander of the 2nd Battalion? 24 Q.
- 12:37:14 25 Lieutenant Colonel Kallay. Α.
  - 26 Spell Kallay. You have done it before, but do it again Q.
  - 27 please.
  - K-A-L-L-A-Y. 28 Α.
  - 29 This is another of the battalion commanders you have given Q.

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- evidence already who was promoted to colonel by Gullit. 1
- 2 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 3 Q. Was there a 3rd Battalion?
- Α. Yes.
- 12:37:46 5 0. Who was in command of that?
  - The commander for the 3rd Battalion was Colonel Osman 6 Α.
  - 7 Sesay, alias Changabulanga.
  - We have already had that, but I am going to ask you to 8 Q.
  - spell "Osman Sesay".
- 12:38:10 10 Α. O-S-M-A-N, Osman; S-E-S-A-Y, Sesay.
  - And Changabulanga? You have spelt it before, but please do 11 Q.
  - 12 it again.
  - 13 Α. C-H-A-N-G-A-B-U-L-A-N-G-A.
  - Thank you, Witness. Was there a 4th Battalion? 14 Q.
- 12:38:52 15 Α. Yes.
  - 16 Q. And who was the commander of that?
  - 17 Lieutenant Colonel Bulldoze, Foday Marah. Α.
  - 18 Is this the Foday Marah who came with SAJ Musa, or the Q.
  - 19 Foday Marah who was around earlier?
- 12:39:18 20 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - Which one? 21 Q.
  - 22 The one to came with SAJ, Foday Marah. Α.
  - 23 Was there a 5th Battalion still? Q.
  - Yes. 24 Α.
- Who was in command of that? 12:39:42 25 Q.
  - 26 Colonel Saidu Kambolai, alias Basky. Α.
  - 27 Q. Now, you have spelt this before, but have another go at
  - 28 spelling that please. Saidu Kambolai, also known as Basky.
  - 29 Saidu is S-A-I-D-U; K-A-M-B-O-L-A-I. Α.

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- 1 Q. And Basky?
- 2 Α. It is B-A-S-K-Y.
- 3 Q. Thank you, Witness. Was there a 6th Battalion at this
- point?
- 12:40:42 5 Α. Yes. There was a 6th Battalion, but I cannot remember the
  - 6 commander.
  - And did the 6th Battalion remain? 7 Q.
  - 8 Α. Yes, it remained.
  - 9 Q. Was there the Red Lion Battalion still?
- 12:41:16 10 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - Do you remember who the commander of that was? 11 Q.
  - 12 Α. Yes, Med Bajehjeh.
  - 13 Q. Would you just spell that? We have had it this morning,
  - but spell that for Their Honours. 14
- 12:41:39 15 M-E-D B-A-J-E-H-J-E-H. Α.
  - 16 Q. Was there still the RDF Battalion?
  - 17 Yes, My Lord. Α.
  - And who was in command of that? 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. NPFL. Because they had shot Terminator, so the appointment
- 12:42:28 20 was given to NPFL.
  - Pause a moment. You have identified NPFL already. Was he, 21 Q.
  - 22 like the other battalion commanders, promoted to colonel on this
  - 23 occasion?
  - 24 Yes, My Lord. Α.
- 12:42:48 25 You have said he was appointed in place of Terminator. Q.
  - 26 When was he appointed?
  - 27 Yes. Well, it was Gullit that appointed him. Α.
  - Q. Where? 28
  - 29 At the jungle, just after Koba Wata. Α.

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- 1 Q. Was it the same location you are talking about in relation
- 2 to the other appointments?
- 3 Yes, My Lord. Α.
- What were the words used by Gullit in relation to NPFL? 0.
- 12:43:26 5 And remember, as I said before, to try and use the form of the
  - words by Gullit on this occasion. 6
  - Gullit said, "I, Gullit, have approved the appointment of 7 Α.
  - NPFL as the commander of the RDF Battalion." 8
  - 9 Did Gullit say anything about who these battalion Q.
- 12:44:07 10 commanders were subordinate or superior to in the organisation of
  - 11 men at this meeting that you are talking about?
  - 12 Before he said that he made another appointment, which was Α.
  - 13 a task force commander, who was Colonel Junior Lion, George
  - Johnson. 14
- 12:44:34 15 Pause a moment. Did Junior Lion keep the same rank that he Q.
  - 16 had had previously?
  - 17 Yes, he was promoted to colonel. Α.
  - What were the words used in relation to George Johnson, 18 Q.
  - 19 also known as Junior Lion, by Gullit at this meeting?
- 12:45:03 20 Α. Gullit said, "I, Gullit, have appointed Junior Lion to the
  - position of commander of task force." 21
  - Did he say anything about who Junior Lion, George Johnson, 22 Q.
  - was to be superior to or subordinate to in the organisation of 23
  - men? 24
- 12:45:34 25 All he said was that after he had made the appointment, --Α.
  - 26 I would say what he said, it concerned the commanders. Because
  - 27 the last appointment, as far as I can remember, is that the
  - 28 military police division, because since we had lost Colonel
  - 29 King --

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- Pause a moment. Just before we get on to King and the 1 Q.
- 2 military police division, I just want to ask you in relation to
- 3 George Johnson, also known as Junior Lion, whether Gullit said
- 4 anything about whether he was superior or subordinate to anyone
- 12:46:19 5 in the organisation of men.
  - 6 Α. Yes.
  - 7 Q. What did he say -- and please use the form of the words
  - 8 that he used if you can?
  - 9 Α. Gullit said, "I, Gullit, have appointed Junior Lion to the
- 12:46:35 10 position of task force commander," and also that he should report
  - 11 directly to the chief of staff, who was Five-Five.
  - 12 Witness, you started off by telling us something about the Q.
  - 13 military police division. What was said about that at this
  - 14 meeting?
- 12:47:25 15 Gullit said he, Gullit, had approved the appointment of Α.
  - 16 Colonel Ibrahim, alias Road Block.
  - Q. Spell that again. We have had that before, but can you 17
  - spell "Ibrahim" for the Chamber? 18
  - 19 Α. I-B-R-A-H-I-M, Ibrahim.
- 12:47:50 20 Also known as Road Block, no need to spell that. Q.
  - R-O-A-D, road; B-L-O-C-K, block. 21 Α.
  - Thank you, Witness. Could you tell, please, the Chamber 22 Q.
  - what it is that was said by Gullit in relation to Colonel 23
  - Ibrahim, also known as Road Block, at this meeting? 24
- 12:48:21 25 Yes. Gullit said, "I, Gullit, have approved the Α.
  - 26 appointment of Colonel Road Block as the military police
  - 27 commander and he should report to the chief of staff."
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Who has a mobile phone? Possibly I am 28
  - 29 hearing the interpreters'; I apologise. Ms Pack, we are

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- approaching the lunchtime adjournment. Have you any more 1
- 2 questions in this line of evidence or the witness's evidence?
- 3 MS PACK: I have on this line, but --
- THE INTERPRETER: Your microphone is not on.
- 12:49:33 5 MS PACK: Thank you. I have along this line, but it is on
  - the broad organisation of men, not in relation to this specific 6
  - individual. So, now would be a convenient time. 7
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Ms Pack. In light of that, I 8
  - 9 ask Mr Court Attendant to adjourn Court until 2.15 p.m.
- 12:50:24 10 [Luncheon recess taken at 12.45 p.m.]
  - 11 [TB130605E-SGH]
  - 12 [Upon commencing at 2.20 p.m.]
    - PRESIDING JUDGE: MS Pack, I note Mr Hodes is with you this
  - 14 morning. Just for purposes of record, have you taken Ms Taylor's place
- 14:25:01 15 or is this a temporary arrangement? Or should I amend the record in any
  - 16 way?
  - MR HODES: I have taken Ms Taylor's place, Your Honour. 17
  - 18 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, I will record that. Ms Pack,
  - 19 please proceed.
- 14:25:12 20 MS PACK:
  - Witness, before we broke off for lunch, I was asking you 21 Q.
  - about the meeting in which Gullit was identifying various 22
  - 23 appointments and I was asking you about the battalion commanders.
  - Witness, you told us the battalions remained the same. At this 24
- 14:26:07 25 meeting did Gullit say anything about who the battalion
  - 26 commanders were to be subordinate or superior to?
  - 27 Α. Yes.
  - What did he say and if you could use the words that were 28 Q.
  - 29 used by Gullit so far as you remember them?

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- He said, "I, Gullit, as I have as I have appointed you to 1 Α.
- 2 the various battalions, so you should report directly to the
- 3 operation commander."
- Just remind us who that was again; the operation commander? 4 Q.
- 14:27:09 5 Α. Colonel O-Five.
  - 6 Do you know, Witness, how many men were in each battalion? Q.
  - 7 Α. Well, what I knew before, the battalion had more than 100
  - 8 manpower.
  - 9 How did you know this? Q.
- 14:27:40 10 Α. Well, since the formation which SAJ brought in the
  - 11 battalion, as men were distributed the number of individuals in
  - the various battalions increased. 12
  - 13 Q. How did you know how many were in each battalion?
  - 14 Well, I, myself, served as battalion IO, that is Α.
- 14:28:13 15 intelligence officer. So I knew about the administration of the
  - 16 battalion.
  - MS PACK: Your Honour, for the sake of caution, I would ask that a 17
  - certain portion of the transcript be redacted when it comes to releasing 18
  - 19 the transcripts to the public and that will be the last answer for the
- 14:28:38 20 witness. I am concerned about his identity being revealed to the
  - public. 21
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: It is not an application I have head 22
  - before, Ms Pack, but I have no doubt that the people in the 23
  - transcript unit would know what to do. But before I actually 24
- 14:28:54 25 make any ruling, have the Defence any comment on the application
  - 26 by the Prosecution?
  - 27 MS PACK: It is a redaction from the public record I would
  - be seeking effectively just so that goes in under seal or in 28
  - 29 closed session.

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MS THOMPSON: Your Honour, I am not sure what purpose that 1 2 is going to serve. This is a witness who has told us a lot about 3 himself. Okay, he has identified certain people he works with and I doubt whether that is going to identify him. I am not sure -- it is an unusual application, I am not sure it is in 14:29:19 5 place. He hasn't identified himself and I doubt whether that is 6 7 going to identify him at all. PRESIDING JUDGE: As Justice Lussick has pointed out, we 8 9 have not asked what the witness has to say about this either. 14:29:36 10 Ms Pack, is this an application on instruction? 11 MS PACK: Your Honour, if you recall, we were in closed 12 session at the very beginning of this witness's testimony and one 13 of the matters that the witness for security reasons -- that the Prosecution sought to have heard in closed session was the 14 14:29:56 15 specific job description effectively or role or position held by 16 the witness in various command structures. Now, the witness has just identified a specific position that he held in public and it 17 is the Prosecution who makes an application. This is a common 18 19 application made in other of the ad hoc tribunals. Just simply, 14:30:20 20 when this transcript is released to the public, as it will be, that this last answer be taken out of the public version of the 21 transcript so that it can't be read over and over again so as to 22 identify this witness because he has identified this specific 23 position. I am making this application because of concerns to 24 14:30:37 25 protect the witness's identity being revealed to the public. 26 MR FOFANAH: May it please Your Honours, I think the 27 witness has before identified himself in the position of 28 Regimental Sergeant Major and -- yes, I stand guided by the 29 records, RSM, and no such application was made. Especially when

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- 1 he was promoted, he said he was promoted at some point to second
- 2 lieutenant from RSM.
- 3 MS PACK: Your Honour, it is not a frivolous application, I
- make it because I am concerned about the witness.
- 14:31:13 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: I don't suggest for a moment that it is.
  - MS THOMPSON: Your Honour, if I could just add to what I 6
  - said earlier. The witness did not specify which battalion, he 7
  - said a battalion and there are various -- he has named, I think, 8
  - 9 six battalions. It is very unlikely to identify him.
- 14:31:26 10 JUDGE LUSSICK: The person to ask whether that is likely to
  - 11 identify him or not is the witness himself. He is the one who
  - 12 gave the evidence.
  - 13 MS PACK: I would be grateful if I could ask him. I am
  - 14 acting -- the Prosecution has to act on any concerns for
- 14:31:45 15 security, but if I can ask the witness whether he thinks what he
  - 16 just said.
  - Witness, the answer you just gave us to your position 17
  - held at the time, is that an answer that if known to the 18
  - 19 public might reveal your identity?
- 14:32:13 20 Α. Well, no. This particular answer -- that's why I have
  - never shown the battalion. 21
  - MS PACK: I am grateful to the witness for that answer. I can 22
  - leave it in that case. I am grateful, Your Honours. 23
  - Witness, the battalion you have identified as Red Lion 24 Q.
- 14:32:45 25 Battalion, is there anything you can recall specifically about
  - 26 the men who were in that battalion? I am not asking about
  - 27 nationality or which groups they were from, but anything else
  - you recall about them? 28
  - 29 Yes. Α.

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- And what is that, witness? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. This Red Lion Battalion had a piece of cloth they tied on
- 3 their heads. In some of those cloths they wrote Burkinabe and
- others NPFL.
- 14:33:26 5 Q. Pause a moment. Can we just spell Burkinabe, please?
  - 6 Α. B-U-R-K-I-N-A-B-E.
  - And NPFL, was that the other? 7 Q.
  - 8 Α. Yes, NPFL.
  - 9 Were there any other writings on the tied cloth on their Q.
- 14:33:53 10 heads?
  - 11 Α. Yes, RUF.
  - 12 Q. Anything else?
  - 13 Α. As far as I can recall are what they put round their heads
  - with writings that I have explained to you. 14
- 14:34:24 15 Q. Witness, you have given evidence before about a deputy
  - 16 operation commander. Was there a deputy operation commander
  - 17 still in this structure under Gullit?
  - 18 Α. Yes.
  - 19 0. Who was that?
- It was -- it was Colonel Sheriff. Junior Sheriff. 14:34:59 20 Α.
  - Was this a new appointment or was it the same as before? 21 Q.
  - 22 This was an appointment that was made at Colonel Eddie Α.
  - Town. And it was only -- he did an approval in the jungle. 23
  - 24 Q. By in the jungle you mean at this location you are talking
- 14:35:31 25 about?
  - 26 Yes. Α.
  - 27 Q. Just remind us where that was near?
  - Koba Wata. 28 Α.
  - 29 Now, you spoke earlier this morning about a G4 commander. Q.

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- Was there a G4 commander still? 1
- 2 Α. Yes, My Lord.
- 3 Q. Who was that?
- Colonel Foday Bah Marah, also known as Bulldoze. Α.
- 14:36:23 5 Q. Witness, just remind us again, there are two Foday Bah
  - 6 Marahs. Is this the Foday Bah Marah who came with SAJ Musa or
  - 7 the other one. I am sorry, there is a Foday Marah and a Foday
  - 8 Bah Marah. Is this the Foday Marah who came with SAJ Musa or the
  - 9 other one?
- 14:36:40 10 MR FOFANAH: Your Honours, I object to that. I think the question
  - 11 should be put who this Foday Bah Marah is because Foday Bah Marah and
  - 12 Foday Marah are not one and the same suggesting variation; it is clearly
  - 13 leading.
  - 14 MS PACK: I am not suggesting they are the same. The
- 14:36:57 15 witness said earlier there were two; one is called Foday Marah
  - 16 and the other is Foday Bah Marah, and I have asked him before to
  - clarify. There is one that came with SAJ Musa, the other didn't. 17
  - 18 It is simply just --
  - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is leading, Ms Pack, please re-phrase.
- 14:37:00 20 MS PACK:
  - 21 Q. Witness, how long had Foday Bah Marah been with you?
  - 22 Α. Since the jungle started.
  - And you have spelt this many times, but if you just spell 23 Q.
  - Foday Bah Marah for the Chamber, please. 24
- 14:37:33 25 F-O-D-A-Y, Foday. B-A-H, Bah. M-A-R-A-H, Marah. Α.
  - 26 Was this appointment, the position of Foday Bah Marah as G4 Q.
  - 27 commander, was that a new appointment?
  - 28 Α. No. No.
  - 29 When had that appointment been made? Q.

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- It was at Colonel Eddie Town this appointment was made. 1 Α.
- Do you know if the deputy operation commander or to whom 2 Q.
- 3 the deputy operation commander in the organisation of men was
- either subordinate or superior?
- 14:38:48 5 Α. Yes.
  - 6 Q. How do you know this?
  - Well, as Gullit was making his appointment, he made it 7 Α.
  - clear that the deputy operation commander should report to the 8
  - 9 deputy commander.
- 14:39:19 10 What were the actual words used by Gullit, if you could use 0.
  - 11 the actual form of the words used, please, Witness?
  - 12 Α. He said, "I, Gullit, as I have appointed Junior Sheriff and
  - 13 promoted him to a colonel and appointed him as the deputy
  - 14 operation commander, he is going to work under the operation
- 14:39:40 15 commander."
  - 16 Witness, you have spoken before about a brigade Q.
  - administration. Was there still a brigade administration at this 17
  - point? 18
  - 19 Α. Yes. There was in existence the brigade administration.
- 14:40:37 20 Were there any changes made to the brigade administration Q.
  - by Gullit at this meeting? 21
  - 22 Well, the only changes that occurred, Colonel Eddie became Α.
  - a commandant, camp commandant. And the brigade IO, had 23
  - Lieutenant Colonel Sammy --24
- 14:41:12 25 Pause a moment, please. I am going to break that down. 0.
  - 26 You said Colonel Eddie became camp commandant. When did this
  - 27 change occur?
  - Well, the appointment happened at Colonel Eddie Town as 28 Α.
  - 29 camp commandant. He continued to hold that position and Gullit

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- 1 approved that as he was announcing his -- members of his
- 2 administration. The only new appointment was that of the brigade
- 3 RSM.
- Witness, tell the Chamber, please, the words that were used 4 Q.
- 14:42:14 5 by Gullit in relation to Colonel Eddie's appointment or approval
  - of the appointment to camp commandant, please? 6
  - He said, "I, Gullit, have approved of the appointment and 7 Α.
  - promotion of colonel Eddie and he will still continue to hold the 8
  - 9 position as brigade commandant". Camp commandant, I'm sorry.
- 14:42:49 10 Q. Now, you also said that another change that was made was
  - 11 that the brigade IO was Lieutenant Colonel Sammy. What does IO
  - 12 stand for?
  - 13 The intelligent officer. Α.
  - 14 Would you spell Sammy, please, for the Chamber? Q.
- 14:43:21 15 Α. S-A-M-M-Y.
  - 16 Q. How long had Lieutenant Colonel Sammy been with you?
  - 17 Since the start of the jungle. Α.
  - 18 What did Gullit say in relation to Lieutenant Colonel Sammy Q.
  - 19 in the jungle near Koba Wata?
- 14:44:03 20 He said, "I, Gullit, pleased to explain to -- I approve the Α.
  - promotion of Sammy from major to lieutenant colonel and also --21
  - 22 and also he shall continue to hold the appointment of the
  - 23 brigade, that is IO."
  - 24 Witness, just so that we are clear, would you name, please, Q.
- 14:44:45 25 the names of members of the brigade administration at this time?
  - 26 Yes. You had brigade adjutant, Lieutenant Colonel Charles. Α.
  - 27 Q. Pause a moment. Who else?
  - 28 You had the Brigade Administrator Colonel FAT Sesay. Α.
  - 29 MS PACK: Your Honours have heard that before. It is just the

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- initials F-A-T and then Sesay, S-E-S-A-Y. 1
- 2 Q. Who else?
- Α. 3 And you had a brigade RSM.
- Remind us who that was. 0.
- This was late Fasuluku, but he had died. Another person 14:45:56 5 Α.
  - was appointed, but I have forgot his name. Formerly Fasuluku was 6
  - the brigade RSM, but he died on the way. So, another person was 7
  - appointed as brigade RSM, I have forgotten that person's name. 8
  - 9 Q. Pause. Would you just spell Fasuluku for the record,
- 14:46:11 10 please.
  - 11 Α. F-A-S-U-L-U-K-U.
  - 12 Q. Can you name other members of the brigade administration at
  - 13 this point?
  - 14 Α. Gullit himself was there of the brigade administration.
- 14:46:52 15 Q. How do you know that?
  - 16 Α. Well, this was through the appointment that he made and he
  - 17 made it very clear.
  - Do you recall the words used by Gullit in relation to his 18 Q.
  - 19 being head of the brigade administration?
- 14:47:11 20 Α. Yes.
  - What were the words used, and please use the form of the 21 Q.
  - words used? 22
  - 23 He said, "I, Gullit, now -- I am now lieutenant general". Α.
  - He said, "And I am the head of the brigade and I am the chief in 24
- 14:47:50 25 command and head of the brigade administration."
  - 26 Q. Who were the other members of the brigade administration?
  - 27 Α. You had the Deputy Chief-in-Command Ibrahim Bazzy Kamara.
  - How do you know he was a member of the brigade 28 Q.
  - 29 administration?

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- Gullit clearly stated it out as he was naming his 1 Α.
- 2 administration.
- 3 Q. Were there other members of the brigade administration?
- 4 Α. Yes.
- 14:48:33 5 0. Who?
  - You had a third in command, Chief-of-Staff Brigadier 6 Α.
  - Santigie Borbor Kanu, alias Five-Five. 7
  - Who else? 8 Q.
  - 9 You had Brigadier Woyoh. He was the director of Α.
- 14:48:59 10 operations.
  - 11 Q. Who else?
  - 12 Α. And you had the military supervisers.
  - 13 Q. Who else?
  - 14 You had the head of the military police. Α.
- 14:49:22 15 Who was that? Q.
  - 16 Α. And Colonel Road Block Ibrahim. Alias Road Block.
  - 17 MS PACK: We heard that this morning already, Your Honours.
  - I-B-R-A-H-I-M, Road Block. 18
  - 19 Q. Anyone else?
- 14:49:50 20 You had the brigade task force commander. He was a member Α.
  - of the brigade administration. 21
  - 22 Q. Anyone else who you recall?
  - 23 These are the people that I know. These are the people I Α.
  - have named. 24
- 14:50:47 25 Witness, was anything said by Gullit at this meeting about Q.
  - 26 who the brigade adjutant would be superior or subordinate to in
  - 27 the organisation of men?
  - 28 Α. Yes.
  - 29 What was said? Q.

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- He said as he, Gullit, had made the appointment -- I mean 1 Α.
- 2 he had approved the appointment of the adjutant, the adjutant
- 3 should report to the chief of staff.
- Was anything said at this meeting about to whom the brigade 4 Q.
- 14:51:37 5 administrator, Colonel FAT Sesay, was to be subordinate or
  - superior? 6
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - What was said? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. Gullit also said Colonel FAT should report to the chief of
- 14:51:58 10 staff.
  - 11 Q. And in relation to the brigade RSM, remind us who that was,
  - 12 please. You have given a name in relation to the brigade RSM,
  - 13 was anything said about to whom he should be either subordinate
  - 14 or superior?
- 14:52:34 15 Α. Yes.
  - 16 Q. What was said?
  - 17 Gullit said the brigade RSM should report to the camp Α.
  - 18 commandant.
  - 19 Q. And that is the man you have identified as Colonel Eddie?
- 14:53:10 20 Yes. I just want to include the operation commander. He Α.
  - was also a member of the brigade administration. That is the 21
  - 22 operation commander.
  - 23 Thank you, Witness. When you were listing the members of Q.
  - the brigade administration you also identified Colonel Ibrahim, 24
- 14:53:35 25 alias Road Block, as a member of that administration and head of
  - 26 the military police. Witness, was anything said that you recall
  - 27 about to whom Colonel Ibrahim should be subordinate or superior
  - 28 in the organisation of men?
  - 29 Α. Yes.

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- What was said? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. Gullit has approved his appointment, he said he should
- report to the chief of staff. 3
- 4 Q. Witness, you have identified military supervisers as having
- been in the brigade administration and I would ask you now to 14:54:26 5
  - identify who they were. The first question, were there any 6
  - changes in the appointment of military supervisers by Gullit at 7
  - this meeting? 8
  - 9 Well, yes. Α.
- 14:54:35 10 Q. What were the changes?
  - 11 Α. Since Colonel Terminator was wounded, Gullit also appointed
  - 12 him as military supervisor. And also Colonel Rhino, Gullit also
  - 13 appointed him as a military supervisor.
  - 14 I am just going to ask you about Colonel Terminator. Just Q.
- 14:55:23 15 remind us again of his full name.
  - 16 Α. Lamin Sidique.
  - Would you spell that, please, for the Chamber? 17 Q.
  - 18 L-A-M-I-N, Lamin. Sidique. S-I-D-I-Q-U-E. Α.
  - 19 0. What were the words used in relation to Lamin Sidique,
- 14:55:56 20 alias Terminator, at this meeting?
  - Gullit said he was pleased to appoint Lamin Sidique, 21 Α.
  - Colonel Lamin Sidique, as one of brigade supervisers. 22
  - 23 Q. What were the words used in relation to Colonel Rhino and
  - his appointment as a military supervisor? 24
- 14:56:34 25 He said, "I, Gullit, have approved the appointment and I am Α.
  - 26 also pleased to appoint Colonel Rhino to be a military supervisor
  - 27 since Rhino was wounded.
  - Who was wounded? 28 Q.
  - 29 Also Colonel Rhino was wounded. He had a serious injury as Α.

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- 1 he was moving to Tombo.
- 2 Q. Witness, I am going to ask you who the other military
- 3 supervisers were. Just start with the first one that you
- remember.
- 14:57:18 5 Α. Super -- colonel, Colonel Supervisor A.
  - 6 Q. This is the man who previously was known as Operation
  - Commander A; is that correct? 7
  - 8 Α. Yes. Yes, My Lord.
  - 9 Q. Any others?
- 14:57:57 10 Α. Colonel Ibrahim Bioh Sesay.
  - 11 Q. That is I B R A H I M, Ibrahim. Bioh, B-I-O-H. Sesay,
  - 12 S-E-S-A-y. Anyone else?
  - Colonel Abdul Sesay. 13 Α.
  - 14 MS PACK: That has been spelt before, Your Honours. A-B-D-U-L,
- 14:58:23 15 Sesay, S-E-S-A-Y. Anyone else, Witness.
  - 16 Α. Colonel Gold Teeth.
  - MS PACK: And that has been spelt before, Your Honours. 17
  - Anyone else? 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. Colonel --
- 14:58:54 20 MS PACK: I am waiting for a translation of that.
  - THE WITNESS: Colonel Adamu, alias Chicken Soup. 21
  - MS PACK: That was spelt this morning, Your Honours. 22
  - 23 Did Gullit say anything about to whom these military Q.
  - supervisers were to be either subordinate or superior in the 24
- 14:59:23 25 organisation of men?
  - 26 Α. Yes.
  - 27 Q. What did he say?
  - 28 Gullit said as he Gullit has appointed these supervisers, Α.
  - 29 they should report to him.

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- Witness, after this meeting, what did you do? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. Well, after this meeting and later we -- I and the rest of
- 3 the troops pushed further into the jungle.
- Where did you go? 4 Q.
- 15:00:42 5 Α. Well, it was a jungle close to York.
  - Spell York. 6 Q.
  - Y-0-R-K. 7 Α.
  - Before you set off to the jungle close to York, did 8 Q.
  - 9 anything else happen in the base you were in near Koba Wata that
- 15:01:07 10 you recall?
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 Q. What happened?
  - 13 Α. Gullit said we should make a sacrifice and sprinkle water
  - 14 on everybody.
- 15:01:29 15 Q. Did that happen?
  - 16 Α. Yes.
  - Did anything else happen round this time when you were 17 Q.
  - 18 still in the jungle around Koba Wata before you set off to York?
  - 19 Α. Well, as far as I can remember it was a sacrifice. We
- 15:02:01 20 don't go further into deep into the jungle closer to York.
  - 21 How many of you -- do you know how many of you set off Q.
  - 22 towards York?
  - 23 It was the whole troop. Α.
  - Are you able to estimate how many of you there were? 24 Q.
- 15:02:28 25 Well, when Gullit was speaking he said he had about 1,500 Α.
  - 26 manpower. That is what he said, the manpower was 1,500.
  - 27 Did you arrive at York? Q.
  - 28 Α. No.
  - 29 What happened? Q.

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- Well, as we were in the jungle I, and the remaining troops, 1 Α.
- 2 were in the jungle Gullit called the director of operations and
- 3 in turn called the military supervisers and from there he called
- 4 on the operations commander and said now, as York was closer, the
- 15:03:28 5 troops should go there and hit York so that we can distract the
  - ECOMOG's attention. 6
  - Pause a moment. How do you know that Gullit said these 7 Q.
  - things to these people? 8
  - 9 Well, it was right in front of me. I was standing there. Α.
- 15:03:51 10 I stood there with my Supervisor A.
  - 11 Q. Did anything happen after Gullit said these things?
  - 12 Α. Yes.
  - 13 Q. What happened?
  - 14 In turn appointed the -- the operations commander called on Α.
- 15:04:15 15 the deputy operations commander and appointed him to lead the
  - 16 operation to York. In fact, he called the operation food-finding
  - operation. 17
  - 18 Do you know what happened on that operation? Q.
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 15:04:31 20 Q. How do you know?
  - 21 Α. I myself joined and I went with the operations commander to
  - 22 York.
  - 23 What happened on the operation? Q.
  - In that operations it was unsuccessful and we lost. As we 24 Α.
- 15:04:51 25 went we lost the brigade -- the mortar commander, who was in
  - 26 charge of the artillery -- sorry, the artillery commander who was
  - 27 Major Lagah.
  - We have heard that name before, but please spell it for 28 Q.
  - 29 their Honours.

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- 1 Α. L-A-G-A-H. Lagah.
- After the operation on York, where did you go? 2 Q.
- 3 Well, indeed as -- we tried the enemies and we were Α.
- unsuccessful and the artillery commander was killed. We
- 15:05:36 5 retreated back to our temporary base.
  - Where was that? 6 0.
  - Which was closer to York. The jungle inside York. 7 Α.
  - Did you stay there? 8 Q.
  - 9 Well, as I and the other troops and the deputy operations Α.
- 15:06:00 10 commander we are returning, at that time Gullit advised that now
  - 11 that he has located us in that position, the troops should move.
  - 12 We shall move towards Hastings.
  - 13 Q. How do you know he advised this?
  - 14 Well, this as the deputy operations commander I came Α.
- 15:06:23 15 together with him and I heard him giving the report on the
  - 16 operations. Immediately, Gullit said now the position has been
  - 17 located so the troops shall depart towards Hastings.
  - 18 Q. Did you get to -- what happened, did you go to Hastings?
  - 19 Α. The entire troop moved towards the jungle at Hastings.
- 15:06:50 20 When you got there, what did you do? Q.
  - Well, whilst the troops were at Hastings there was hunger 21 Α.
  - in the camp because there was no food. There was hunger in the 22
  - 23 camp. So Gullit called the director -- also the director of
  - operations and the military supervisor, the battalion commanders 24
- 15:07:18 25 and told them that now the troops shall go back and hit Waterloo
  - 26 for the second time.
  - 27 How do you know that Gullit said these things to these Q.
  - people? 28
  - 29 This was right in front of me. And, in fact, before we Α.

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- left that jungle -- sorry, towards Hastings Gullit mounted up the 1
- 2 set.
- 3 [TB130605F - EKD]
- This was before you set off to the jungle outside Hastings, Q.
- 15:08:24 5 is it?
  - 6 Α. Yes.
  - Where were you when Gullit mounted the set? 7 Q.
  - I was with Supervisor A and as we came, when deputy 8 Α.
  - operations gave the report, Gullit mounted the set.
- 15:08:50 10 Was this before or after you set off from Koba Wata, the Q.
  - 11 jungle outside Koba Wata?
  - It was after Koba Wata and after the operation in York that 12 Α.
  - 13 Gullit mounted up the set.
  - 14 The temporal base was situated where, near which town or Q.
- 15:09:20 15 village?
  - 16 Α. The temporal base where the set was mounted. Which of the
  - 17 two?
  - 18 Yes, the temporal base where the set was mounted. Q.
  - 19 Α. Closer to York village.
- 15:09:39 20 What happened when Gullit mounted the radio set? Q.
  - 21 Immediately Gullit channeled and told the operation to Α.
  - 22 channel Kailahun.
  - 23 What happened? Q.
  - And they called on Mosquito through --24 Α.
- 15:10:00 25 How do you know they called on Mosquito? Q.
  - 26 It was right in my presence with Supervisor A. And as they Α.
  - 27 called the call sign -- Gullit called the call sign, he had an
  - 28 immediate response.
  - 29 What was said, do you recall, during that communication? Q.

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- Well, Gullit said now he wanted to head for Freetown but he 1 Α.
- 2 lacked logistics, he lacked arms and ammunition and he needs a
- 3 reinforcement to Freetown.
- 4 Q. Was anything said in reply?
- Well, what I heard, Mosquito stressed on where SAJ was, but 15:10:49 5 Α.
  - 6 later as I and the others were listening to KISS 104 in Bo, they
  - talked about SAJ Musa's death. So this was known to the entire 7
  - nation that SAJ was dead.
  - 9 Was anything said in reply to what Gullit had said in his Q.
- radio communication? 15:11:27 10
  - 11 Α. Yes, Mosquito said he is sending a reinforcement to join us
  - 12 to enter in to Freetown.
  - 13 Q. Did Gullit speak to Mosquito again after this on the radio?
  - Well he only told him that he will be giving him 14 Α.
- 15:12:14 15 information as how the troops are faring on. That is what Gullit
  - 16 told Mosquito. And later they put off the set and the troops
  - left for Hastings jungle. 17
  - 18 Did anyone else speak to Mosquito or anyone else on the Q.
  - 19 radio on this occasion?
- 15:12:43 20 No, it was only Gullit who spoke to him. Α.
  - 21 Now, you said you were at the time in the jungle near York Q.
  - 22 and then you said after that you moved towards Hastings earlier
  - 23 and while you were in the jungle outside Hastings there was no
  - food. What happened after that? 24
- 15:13:26 25 In fact, immediately Gullit called the director of Α.
  - 26 operations and also he called on the operations commander,
  - 27 military supervisors and battalion commanders, he said, "Now, as
  - 28 we have a shortage of food, the troops should go back and attack
  - 29 Waterloo."

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- Pause. How do you know he said those things to those 1 Q.
- 2 people?
- 3 It was right in front of me. I was standing there while he Α.
- was saying this.
- 15:13:59 5 0. After Gullit said these things what then happened?
  - 6 And the operation took place and this time it was Colonel Α.
  - 7 Basky who led the operation to -- that was the second time in
  - Waterloo. 8
  - 9 Just spell Basky for us, please, witness. Q.
- 15:14:24 10 B-A-S-K-Y. Α.
  - 11 Q. How do you know that he led the operation?
  - 12 Α. I myself went with him cause there was hunger in the camp,
  - 13 especially the fighters. Everybody was hungry.
  - 14 Q. What happened on this operation?
- 15:14:46 15 Α. Well, the second -- that is, I and the troops that went to
  - 16 attack Waterloo and at this time we looted -- we did heavy
  - 17 looting of food and the --
  - What happened after the attack on Waterloo? 18 Q.
  - 19 Α. Well, the ECOMOG forces retreated and we returned after
- 15:15:13 20 we've got enough food and we went back to the temporal base at
  - Hastings jungle. 21
  - 22 Did anything happen there when you returned there after the Q.
  - 23 attack on Waterloo?
  - 24 Α. Yes.
- 15:15:29 25 What happened? Q.
  - 26 The set was mounted up as Basky gave the report to Mosquito Α.
  - 27 and to Gullit. The set was mounted up.
  - 28 Q. Pause. How do you know that the set was mounted up?
  - 29 I myself went there where the set was. Α.

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- 1 Q. What happened?
- 2 Α. Well, whilst I was with Supervisor A, Gullit called -- this
- 3 time he called on Issa Sesay.
- How do you know he called on Issa Sesay? 4 Q.
- 15:16:11 5 Α. Well, it was through the channeling and the call signs that
  - the radio man used. 6
  - Did he get through to Issa Sesay? 7 Q.
  - 8 Α. Yes.
  - 9 Q. What was said in their communication?
- 15:16:29 10 In fact, Issa said they have captured Kono and they are Α.
  - 11 heading towards Makeni. So they are on their way to reinforce us
  - to head for Freetown. 12
  - 13 Q. After Issa Sesay said these things did Gullit say anything?
  - 14 Well, Gullit said he's waiting on the reinforcement. We Α.
- 15:16:59 15 were still hanging around for the reinforcement so that the
  - 16 entire troop will enter Freetown.
  - Were there any other radio communications made at this 17 Q.
  - 18 point?
  - 19 Α. Yes.
- 15:17:18 20 Who were they made to? Q.
  - Gullit also called on Superman. 21 Α.
  - 22 How do you know he called on Superman? Q.
  - 23 Through the channeling and the call sign used -- that Α.
  - Gullit used, sorry. 24
- 15:17:43 25 Did he speak to Superman? 0.
  - 26 Α. Yes.
  - 27 What was said in that communication? Q.
  - Superman said his troops are moving towards Makeni. He 28 Α.
  - 29 said but unfortunately the jet has bombarded some of his men. He

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- said but he promised to reinforce Gullit's position so that they 1
- 2 will enter Freetown.
- 3 From where you were at this point in the jungle outside Q.
- Hastings where did you go?
- 15:18:20 5 Α. Well, whilst we were in the jungle I and the other soldiers
  - 6 observed that they were airlifting people to Hastings. We saw
  - 7 the helicopter moving to Hastings with men. So Gullit said this
  - 8 is an immediate opportunity to launch an operation at Hastings.
  - 9 Did you see what type of helicopter was moving to Hastings Q.
- 15:18:49 10 with men?
  - 11 Α. Yes, it was clear as we were in the end. It was a combat
  - 12 helicopter. That was the helicopter moving with the troops.
  - 13 Q. As a result of this did you do anything?
  - Yes, immediately an operation was set. 14 Α.
- 15:19:13 15 Q. How do you know an operation was set?
  - 16 Α. In fact, this time the fighters were so willing that when
  - Gullit called on the military supervisors, he called on the 17
  - 18 battalion commanders -- I mean, the men were all willing to
  - 19 fight. So after which he called them and said the troops should
- 15:19:39 20 attack Hastings so that we can get more arms and ammunitions.
  - How do you know Gullit said these things? 21 Q.
  - Well, I stood there, I was standing, I was very close to 22 Α.
  - the Operation Supervisor A while Gullit was saying this. So the 23
  - operation was planned. 24
- Did then an attack on Hastings take place? 15:20:00 25 0.
  - 26 Yes, My Lord. Α.
  - 27 What happened on the attack? Q.
  - 28 Well, in Hastings I and the other troops and the men who Α.
  - 29 went, we captured Hastings and got enough arms and ammunitions.

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- 1 And, in fact, the whole helicopter that we met, they were
- 2 completely burnt down. We set fire on them. We set fire on the
- 3 whole of Hastings.
- 4 Q. What happened to the arms and ammunitions that you
- 15:20:37 5 captured?
  - 6 We moved the arms and ammunitions back to the jungle at the Α.
  - 7 position that is the Hastings jungle.
  - 8 Q. Did anything else happen in Hastings on this attack?
  - 9 Α. Yes.
- 15:21:00 10 Q. What happened?
  - 11 Α. Well, whilst I and the other troops that were in the jungle
  - 12 were resting, then we had a sudden attack from the enemy forces.
  - 13 Q. And what happened after this sudden attack?
  - 14 This attack we lost -- the troop lost senior commanders. Α.
- 15:21:27 15 This attack we repelled -- the troops repelled the attackers.
  - 16 Q. Did anything happen to Hastings itself?
  - Well, later at night, midnight, Gullit said the troops 17 Α.
  - should move direct to Hastings. The whole troop should move. 18
  - And did the whole troop move to Hastings? 19 Q.
- 15:21:51 20 Yes, indeed, at night we left and captured Hastings. Α.
  - And what happened after you captured Hastings? 21 Q.
  - 22 Α. We captured Hastings. At that moment at night, the troop
  - based at Hastings. That was on the 4th of January 1999. We 23
  - continued to fight --24
- 15:22:22 25 Pause. Witness, I'm going to ask you now what happened Q.
  - after Hastings. After you left Hastings where did you go? 26
  - 27 Α. As the entire troops captured Hastings, whilst I and the
  - task force commander and other soldiers tried to penetrate 28
  - 29 towards Jui, the enemy forces, they were strong at that point.

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- 1 Q. Pause.
- 2 Α. Wherein --
- 3 Q. Spell Jui please for Their Honours.
- J-U-I. Α.
- 15:23:24 5 Q. What happened at Jui?
  - 6 Α. Whilst I and the other forces were fighting to capture Jui,
  - 7 and at that moment we were unable. Later we lost some men and
  - this made the task force commander started beating up men, said 8
  - 9 this particular date we are supposed to sleep in Freetown.
- 15:23:51 10 Q. Pause. Remind us who the task force commander was at this
  - 11 point.
  - Junior Lion. 12 Α.
  - 13 Q. So what happened after Junior Lion, the task force
  - 14 commander, said this?
- 15:24:10 15 Well, later the SPG -- the artillery commander, the deputy Α.
  - 16 artillery commander, came with the operations commander, they
  - 17 came with the SPG with the 1 millimetre mortar --
  - 18 Q. Pause. Explain what's an SPG?
  - 19 Α. This is a support propelled grenade.
- 15:24:47 20 Who came with the support propelled grenade? Q.
  - This was the operations commander. 21 Α.
  - 22 Name? Q.
  - 23 O-Five, Colonel O-Five. Α.
  - 24 Q. What happened after that?
- 15:25:02 25 Well, since the enemy forces were piling pressure, so we Α.
  - 26 fired the special grenade towards Jui and this made the enemies
  - 27 to retreat.
  - So what did you do after the enemies retreated from Jui? 28 Q.
  - 29 Well, I and the other soldiers penetrated and captured Jui, Α.

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- and made a road block at Jui and waited for the other members, 1
- 2 for Junior Lion and the other fighters move towards Grafton.
- 3 Q. Pause. You and some fighters made a road block at Jui.
- What did Junior Lion do?
- Junior Lion also took some other fighters and used the 15:25:52 5 Α.
  - Grafton highway, the Jui-Grafton highway to pursue the enemies 6
  - 7 that have retreated that time.
  - Just spell Grafton, please, for Their Honours? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. G-R-A-F-T-O-N.
- 15:26:18 10 Q. As this was going on, as Junior Lion was engaged at Grafton
  - 11 and you and the men you were with had made a road block at Jui,
  - 12 what happened after that?
  - 13 MR FOFANAH: May it please Your Honours. At this stage I
  - will seek clarification on the former point of Junior Lion 14
- 15:26:49 15 heading towards Grafton. The witness has clearly indicated that
  - 16 he and some other soldiers had advanced on Jui but he has not
  - laid any foundation as to how he came by the knowledge that Lion 17
  - had advanced on Grafton. We are not sure if he was in both 18
  - 19 places at the same time.
- 15:27:16 20 MS PACK: I will ask him.
  - How do you know that Junior Lion went with men to Grafton? 21 Q.
  - This -- I and Junior Lion and the other forces and the 22 Α.
  - other soldiers that captured the ground, whilst Junior Lion --23
  - whilst I and Tito were standing, Junior Lion took the other men 24
- 15:27:38 25 and said he's going to use the Jui-Grafton highway whilst I and
  - 26 Tito should block the other highway by Jui, whilst Junior Lion
  - 27 entered the Jui-Grafton highway.
  - 28 MS PACK: Tito has been spelt by the witness before,
  - 29 Your Honour. It's T-I-T-0.

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- And you were where when you heard Junior Lion say this to 1 Q.
- 2 you and Tito? Where was your location at the time?
- 3 It was I, Junior Lion and the commanders that these were Α.
- the commanders that captured the ground. I --
- 15:28:14 5 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can the witness please
  - 6 repeat for interpretation, please.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: I've got down "I and the other soldiers". 7
  - Perhaps we could go back a little bit and start again. 8
  - 9 MS PACK:
- 15:28:28 10 Q. Where were you when Junior Lion -- you heard Junior Lion
  - 11 say these things. Identify the location, please.
  - 12 Α. It was at Jui Junction.
  - 13 You said you had made a road block at Jui. Whereabouts had Q.
  - you made the road block? 14
- 15:28:46 15 Α. The main junction at Jui.
  - 16 Q. You have said some men went with Junior Lion to Grafton and
  - you were at the main junction at Jui with others. Where was the 17
  - 18 rest of the troop or were they all with you at the junction at
  - 19 Jui?
- 15:29:17 20 Well, as I stood, Tito said we should move further to Α.
  - capture the Jui bridge with some other men. 21
  - 22 Q. Did you do that?
  - 23 Yes, we captured the bridge. I crossed over and waited. Α.
  - 24 What were you waiting for? Q.
- 15:29:40 25 Well, as we are -- for the family members, including the Α.
  - 26 brigade -- I mean, the head of the brigade administration, Gullit
  - 27 and others.
  - 28 Q. Did they arrive?
  - 29 Yes, whilst I and the other soldiers were defending the Α.

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- bridge, Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five and the military supervisors, 1
- 2 all of them arrived and the position where I was just after the
- 3 bridge.
- Q. Where did you go after they arrived?
- 15:30:30 5 Α. Well, since the place -- it was almost down, Gullit said we
  - 6 should move. Then we moved to Allen Town and occupied a primary
  - 7 jungle that was there.
  - Pause. Spell Allen Town, please for their Honours? 8 Q.
  - 9 Α. A-L-L-E-N T-O-W-N.
- 15:31:01 10 Did you get to Allen Town? Q.
  - 11 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - 12 What was the date when you got to Allen Town? Q.
  - 13 Well, it was January 5th, 1999. Α.
  - 14 Did you stay in Allen Town? Q.
- 15:31:26 15 Yes, My Lord. Α.
  - 16 Q. Did anything happen in Allen Town when you got there?
  - Yes. 17 Α.
  - 18 What happened? Q.
  - 19 Α. As I and the entire brigade, including the brigade
- 15:31:49 20 commander, arrived at Allen Town, Gullit ordered that some of the
  - civilians that were with the troops, especially the pregnant 21
  - 22 women, he said they should follow the people that ran away. Let
  - 23 them go away with them to Freetown. He said we are coming, he
  - will with -- he will come to Freetown; he will come. And 24
- 15:32:18 25 later --
  - 26 Pause. Who was he speaking about when he spoke about the Q.
  - 27 people who had run away to Freetown?
  - Well, in the morning when I and the other soldiers arrive 28
  - 29 at Allen Town, the civilian people that we met escaping running

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- 1 away, running away.
- 2 Q. What else did Gullit say?
- 3 Α. Well, he said we should release the pregnant women so that
- they can go ahead as he was coming to Freetown.
- 15:32:56 5 Q. How do you know he said these things?
  - He said it in my presence before me. 6 Α.
  - 7 Q. What happened after he said these things?
  - Well, the women that were pregnant, they were released as 8 Α.
  - 9 they moved towards Freetown.
- 15:33:21 10 Q. When you were in Allen Town did anything else happen?
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 Q. What happened?
  - 13 Α. Well, the ECOMOG forces noticed our presence within that
  - 14 primary jungle and they bombarded our position, wherein we lost
- 15:33:51 15 about eight men.
  - 16 Q. How do you know it was ECOMOG who were bombarding your
  - position? 17
  - 18 Well, we saw them. They were at Jui, the base at Jui. We Α.
  - saw them face to face. 19
- 15:34:14 20 After this bombardment did anything else happen at Allen Q.
  - Town? 21
  - 22 MR FOFANAH: Sorry. Your Honours, I think we would like to
  - 23 seek some clarification to this choice of words, "primary
  - jungle", by the witness. This is the second time he is repeating 24
- 15:34:32 25 the phrase "primary jungle". We clearly do not know what he
  - 26 means. Especially as Your Honours have earlier ruled that since
  - 27 he is not an expert he cannot make any statement that touches and
  - concerns one of a military knowledge. So if we may only seek 28
  - 29 clarification to the phrase "primary jungle".

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- MS PACK: I think actually the witness might have explained 1
- 2 this before when he was talking about Bombali, but I will ask him
- 3 what he means by "primary jungle".
- 4 Q. Witness, explain please for Their Honours what you mean
- 15:35:13 5 when you say "primary jungle"?
  - 6 Well, like, as I said, primary jungle, I'm referring to Α.
  - elephant grass in that area. It wasn't a thick forest, it was 7
  - 8 sparse. The grass was sparse there.
  - 9 Q. Now witness, I was asking you if anything else happened in
- Allen Town after the bombardment? 15:35:45 10
  - 11 Α. Yes, the entire troop including Gullit moved to the town
  - 12 itself, Allen Town itself.
  - Had you not been in Allen Town before this? 13 Q.
  - We are in the primary jungle. So after the bombardment we 14 Α.
- 15:36:13 15 move to the town itself.
  - 16 Q. Did anything happen when you got to the town itself?
  - Yes. 17 Α.
  - 18 What happened? Q.
  - 19 There was a heavy jet raid. It bombarded our position. Α.
- 15:36:36 20 Did anything happen after that? Q.
  - Later -- Junior Lion did not appear. We waited. The 21 Α.
  - entire troop waited for Junior Lion and others to arrive. Later 22
  - 23 we heard some shooting.
  - 24 Q. Did Junior Lion eventually arrive?
- 15:37:02 25 Yes, Junior Lion arrived. Α.
  - 26 What happened after Junior Lion arrived? Q.
  - 27 Well, in fact, it was the more the jet continued raiding. Α.
  - 28 Q. After that what happened?
  - 29 Well, in that situation we lost one senior colonel. Α.

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- 1 Q. Did anything else happen in Allen Town apart from the jet
- 2 raids?
- 3 Well, later we waited till the 5th. We're there until the Α.
- We continued to base at Allen Town and later at 12 --
- 15:38:01 5 Q. Pause. Before this did anything happen while you were
  - 6 based there?
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - 8 Q. What happened?
  - 9 In fact, Gullit called on the military supervisors, Α.
- 15:38:19 10 battalion commanders, including --
  - 11 Q. Pause. How do you know he called on these individuals?
  - Well, since I was with Operation A -- I mean, Supervisor A, 12 Α.
  - 13 I myself moved with him and went to the position where Gullit
  - 14 was, wherein all the supervisors, the battalion commanders and
- 15:38:47 15 the other men were.
  - 16 Q. Apart from the military supervisors and the battalion
  - commanders, who else was there with Gullit? 17
  - 18 The deputy chief in command, Bazzy; and you had Santigie Α.
  - 19 Borbor Kanu, the chief of staff; you had the operation commander,
- 15:39:19 20 mission commander; you had the director of operations; the IO;
  - and all the senior officers who were present, including junior 21
  - military officers. 22
  - What was said after these men were called to Gullit? 23 Q.
  - He said, "Now, gentleman, I Gullit, as I have led the 24 Α.
- 15:39:56 25 troops from Benguema upwards to this point at Allen Town, now the
  - 26 troop is now leaving for Freetown."
  - 27 Did he say anything else? Q.
  - 28 Α. Yes.
  - 29 What did he say? Q.

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- He said, "Right now I'm telling you this government, the 1 Α.
- 2 SLPP government, the troop have travelled through so many areas
- 3 wherein the government denies that we have not passed through
- that place." He said, "Now this particular movement, that is 4
- 15:40:41 5 this movement that I have ordered the troops to go to Freetown,
  - 6 first and foremost, one, all police stations should be burnt
  - down." 7
  - Pause. What did he say after that? 8 Q.
  - 9 And he said, "Secondly," he said, "Freetown should be burnt Α.
- 15:41:22 10 down." He said, "This would prove, even if we are repelled from
  - 11 Freetown, that people will know that our troop entered Freetown."
  - 12 Q. Did he say anything else about your aims in Freetown?
  - 13 In fact, he did not tell us anything. Just the troop to Α.
  - 14 capture Freetown and we should base in Freetown.
- 15:42:08 15 Q. Was anything else said at this meeting?
  - 16 Α. Yes.
  - What else? 17 Q.
  - He gave the password: "Check back", "Back clear". 18 Α.
  - 19 Q. Did he explain what that was for?
- 15:42:38 20 Yes, because as a fighter, any troop that moves had a Α.
  - password. If you say "Check back" and the opponent refuses to 21
  - 22 respond "Back clear," then he is an enemy. So this was the
  - 23 password which the troop had to come to Freetown.
  - 24 Did Gullit say anything else in this meeting? Q.
- 15:43:13 25 Yes. Α.
  - 26 What else? Q.
  - 27 He said anybody that was captured who was a collaborator, Α.
  - he said that person should be executed, and that Pademba Road 28
  - 29 prison should be opened.

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- Pause. Your Honours are familiar with the spelling of 1 Q.
- 2 Pademba Road: P-A-D-E-M-B-A Road.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, did he say anyone who was a what
- [indiscernible] to be executed?
- 15:43:46 5 MS PACK: Collaborator.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. 6
  - MS PACK: 7
  - Did he say who he meant by "collaborator"? 8 Q.
  - 9 Yes. Α.
- 15:43:56 10 Q. What did he say?
  - 11 Α. He said anybody that was opposing the AFRC was a
  - 12 collaborator.
  - 13 Q. Remind us, what did he say about Pademba Road prison?
  - 14 He said he got an information that there were 3500 soldiers Α.
- 15:44:26 15 prisoned at Pademba Road and that prison should be broken down
  - 16 and those men should be a kind of reinforcement to the troop.
  - Was Pademba Road the only place that you were instructed to 17 Q.
  - break down or capture? 18
  - 19 The State House should be captured, Wilberforce barracks Α.
- 15:45:04 20 should be captured, 7th Battalion should be captured, and also
  - the ordnance at Murray Town should be captured. 21
  - Pause. Just spell Murray Town, please. 22 Q.
  - 23 M-U-R-R-A-Y T-O-W-N, Murray Town. Α.
  - 24 Do you know what he meant by the ordnance at Murray town? Q.
- 15:45:40 25 Yes, this is a place where military hardwares are kept, Α.
  - 26 including arms and ammunitions.
  - 27 Q. And you said also the 7th Battalion. Do you know what he
  - 28 meant by that?
  - 29 Α. Yes.

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- 1 Q. What did he mean by that?
- 2 Α. This is a barracks, a military barracks.
- 3 Does it go by another name? Q.
- Well, it is 7th Battalion formally. It is at Goderich. 4 Α.
- 15:46:14 5 Unto this time that is the name it has.
  - 6 Q. How do you know that these locations you have identified
  - were to be captured 7th Battalion, ordnance and Murray Town, 7
  - State House and Wilberforce? How do you know that? 8
  - 9 Before that he talked about the key -- what are key and Α.
- 15:46:45 10 also the radio stations. He said these are key positions that
  - 11 were important for the troop to capture so that the leading troop
  - 12 would have control of the entire city.
  - 13 Q. Was this still at the same meeting where he'd said other
  - 14 things about the aims in Freetown?
- 15:47:14 15 Α. Yes.
  - 16 Q. Did Gullit say anything else at this meeting?
  - Α. Yes. 17
  - What else did he say? 18 Q.
  - He said as the troop was advancing towards Freetown, he had 19 Α.
- 15:47:40 20 nothing to give anybody, so from your pocket to my pocket. That
  - is, what you were able to get from any civilian was yours, but if 21
  - you had diamonds, dollars, that was government property. That 22
  - 23 should be reported to the brigade.
  - You said what he said about civilian property. Did he say 24 Q.
- 15:48:11 25 anything about civilians?
  - 26 Yes, he said the ones that were collaborators, that were Α.
  - 27 not supporters to the AFRC, they were to be executed. They
  - should not be spared. 28
  - 29 Was anything else said at this meeting by Gullit? Q.

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- Well, this is -- if I could recall, this is what he said 1 Α.
- 2 before the troop left Allen Town.
- 3 Before the troop left Allen Town did anything else happen Q.
- there?
- 15:49:05 5 Α. Yes.
  - 6 Q. What happened?
  - In fact, they order this time not the battalion --7 Α.
  - THE INTERPRETER: The interpreter is sorry. Could the 8
  - 9 Court order the witness to go a little bit slower?
- 15:49:26 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Actually, it is also maybe an appropriate
  - 11 time for a brief adjournment. Ms Pack, are you at a point where
  - 12 it would be appropriate to adjourn?
  - 13 MS PACK: I will just hold in my memory the last question
  - 14 and that can be asked again after the break, Your Honours, if
- 15:49:41 15 that would be more convenient.
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. We will take 15 minutes,
  - please. Madam Court Attendant, please adjourn court for 15 17
  - minutes, please. 18
  - 19 [Break taken at 3.45 p.m.]
- 16:05:32 20 [TB130605G - SV]
  - [On resuming at 4.05 p.m.] 21
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, please proceed, Ms Pack. 22
  - 23 MS PACK:
  - 24 Witness, just before the break I asked you whether anything
- 16:05:58 25 else happened in Allen Town apart from the meeting that you have
  - 26 spoken about where Gullit addressed the men.
  - 27 Α. Yes.
  - 28 Q. What happened?
  - 29 Just as I said earlier, all the soldiers had the LAR rifle Α.

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- and Gullit ordered all the soldiers to go in front. 1
- 2 Q. Pause. All the soldiers with what rifles, would you please
- 3 repeat that?
- LAR rifles. Light automatic rifles. Α.
- 16:06:50 5 Q. How do you know Gullit ordered all the men with light
  - automatic rifles to go in front? 6
  - This was right in my presence just as he gave the same 7 Α.
  - warning as to what the groups should do before we entered 8
  - 9 Freetown. Because this weapon was a support weapon.
- 16:07:21 10 After Gullit had ordered that all the soldiers with light 0.
  - 11 automatic rifles should go in front, did anything happen?
  - 12 Α. Yes.
  - 13 Q. What happened?
  - 14 Well, in fact the I -- I had an LAR weapon. I was with Α.
- 16:07:47 15 troops, the troops asked to go in front, and immediately -- that
  - 16 was around 1.00 a.m. in the morning on the 6th of January. I and
  - the other soldiers who were in front started moving to Calaba 17
  - 18 Town.
  - 19 Pause. Spell Calaba Town, please, for Their Honours. Q.
- 16:08:51 20 C-A-L-A-B-A Calaba. T-O-W-N, Town. Α.
  - Are you able to say approximately how many men were with 21 Q.
  - you in the troops in front? 22
  - 23 The manpower, it was many. We were more than 200. That Α.
  - was the manpower in front with the LAR rifle. 24
- 16:08:51 25 Were there any commanders with you? Q.
  - 26 Yes, My Lord. Α.
  - 27 Q. Who?
  - In fact this time the battalion commanders, they were also 28 Α.
  - 29 there in the front line.

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- 1 Q. Witness, you said that you went to Calaba Town. Did you
- 2 stay there?
- 3 Well, as I and the troops that were in front moved, the Α.
- enemy forces attacked us at Calaba Town wherein we pushed them 4
- 16:10:03 5 and advanced towards Wellington.
  - Would you spell Wellington, please, for Their Honours? 6 Q.
  - W-E-L-I-N-G-T-O-N. 7 Α.
  - 8 Q. Did you get to Wellington?
  - 9 Yes and we continued to fire heavily as we reached at Α.
- 16:10:14 10 Wellington. We captured Wellington.
  - 11 Q. What happened at Wellington?
  - 12 Well, I and the other soldiers moved towards Berewe and Α.
  - 13 tobacco company and captured the junction, that is, the
  - 14 Wellington old road junction.
- 16:10:42 15 Would you spell Berewe please for Their Honours? Q.
  - 16 Α. B-E-R-E-W-E.
  - After you and the men that you were with went to Berewe and 17 Q.
  - 18 the tobacco company what happened?
  - 19 Α. Well, immediately I, as I was with the troops, I and the
- 16:11:20 20 other soldiers blocked the stop at Berewe as we waited for the
  - senior commanders to come. 21
  - Did the senior commanders come? 22 Q.
  - 23 Yes. Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five and military supervisors all Α.
  - arrived. 24
- 16:11:43 25 What was Berewe? Just explain for Their Honours what 0.
  - Berewe is as a location? 26
  - 27 Berewe, as far as I know, that is where they brew beer, Α.
  - 28 stout and it's a junction at the Wellington area. It is a
  - 29 junction.

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- Did anything happen after Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five and the 1 Q.
- 2 military supervisors arrived there?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- Q. What happened?
- 16:12:37 5 Α. Immediately Gullit said the other men including Commander
  - Pikin and other soldiers should use the Berewe route towards 6
  - 7 tobacco company and use the new road.
  - You've identified a name there, Pikin. You've identified 8 Q.
  - 9 this individual before. I'll spell it because it's been spelt
- 16:13:05 10 before P-I-K-I-N. At this point can you remind the Chamber,
  - 11 please, what -- which battalion Pikin was in?
  - 12 Α. Yes, Pikin was at the RDF battalion. He was a support
  - 13 firer.
  - 14 Q. So he was to use the new road?
- 16:13:30 15 Α. Yes.
  - 16 Q. What else did Gullit say?
  - I, Hassim, NPFL including the operations commander and also 17 Α.
  - 18 the commander that he was with, who was Supervisor A, and the
  - 19 entire brigade administration used the old road.
- 16:14:04 20 Let's just go through those names. Hassim. If you'd spell Q.
  - that again for Their Honours, please? 21
  - 22 Α. H-A-S-S-I-M.
  - 23 NPFL, you've identified before. The operation commander, Q.
  - just remind us who that was, please? 24
- 16:14:28 25 Α. Colonel O-Five.
  - 26 And you've said Commander Supervisor A which is the man Q.
  - 27 you've been calling A?
  - 28 Α. Yes.
  - 29 The brigade administration, who was included in that? Just Q.

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- a few of the names, remind us? 1
- 2 Α. Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five, Woyoh.
- 3 0. So after Gullit had instructed some men to go on the new
- road, others to use the old road, what then happened?
- 16:15:14 5 Α. Well, I and the soldiers that I have named, the commanders
  - that I have already named, with the other troops started moving 6
  - and advanced at the old road. 7
  - Where were you positioned in the line of troops moving 8 Q.
  - 9 along the old road?
- 16:15:39 10 I was in front. I was in front. Α.
  - 11 Q. Who was in the front with you?
  - 12 The operations commander was there and also Supervisor A Α.
  - 13 was there.
  - 14 Were any other commanders with you in the front line? Q.
- 16:16:29 15 Α. Hassim and also the NPFL.
  - 16 Q. Witness, where did you get to as you proceeded along the
  - old road? 17
  - 18 I and my men continued to move towards the place around the Α.
  - 19 Thunder Hill old road junction.
- 16:17:11 20 You identified a hill, I think. What was the hill you Q.
  - said? 21
  - Well, this place Brima lane, which captured Brima Lane from 22 Α.
  - which at the junction is called Thunder Hill Junction. 23
  - Perhaps you could just spell those names you've identified? 24 Q.
- 16:17:32 25 Brima lane, B-R-I-M-A L-A-N-E. Α.
  - 26 So after you captured Brima Lane where did you move to? Q.
  - 27 In fact, when I and the other men at the front captured Α.
  - Brima Lane and the operations commander said the troops should 28
  - 29 come to a halt, we waited, I and the men in front waited and

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- later Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five and the other military supervisors 1
- 2 came and said we should observe the new road. As I and the other
- 3 soldiers were moving towards the old road we should observe the
- 4 new road to observe the firepower so that we don't leave them in
- 16:18:35 5 the back and they said --
  - 6 0. Pause. How do you know these things were said?
  - I said the operations commander halted us whilst Gullit, 7 Α.
  - Bazzy and Five-Five and Woyoh and the military supervisors came 8
  - 9 and met us at the point at Brima Lane.
- 16:18:57 10 Q. Witness, go on then. After they said you should observe
  - 11 the new road was anything else said?
  - 12 Well, from the side that we stood by the police station, Α.
  - 13 that is Mess Mess, closer to Thunder Hill Junction, so O-Five
  - 14 told Gullit that this is a police station and so he said we
- 16:19:25 15 should capture the police station because he has given the order.
  - 16 Then O-Five said let's move. I and O-Five and other soldiers
  - moved and captured the Mess Mess police station. 17
  - Now you've mentioned two other locations. Just the last 18 Q.
  - 19 one, Mess Mess spelt as it sounds, Your Honour. And two other
- 16:19:55 20 locations you identified was Thunder Hill Junction. Would you
  - spell that please? 21
  - T-H-U-N-D-E-R H-I-L-L. Kissy Mess Mess, K-I-S-S-Y M-E-S-S 22 Α.
  - M-E-S-S. 23
  - Thank you, Witness. After Gullit said you should capture 24 Q.
- 16:20:27 25 the police station and 0-Five went with you what happened?
  - 26 Well, I and the troops, we were ahead, went with the heavy Α.
  - shooting and captured the police station. 27
  - 28 Q. After you captured the police station did anything happen?
  - 29 Yes. The police station was set on fire and we moved Α.

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- further towards Locus Junction. 1
- 2 Q. After Locus Junction where did you go?
- 3 Α. Shell Old Road. Shell Old Road Junction.
- After Shell Old Road Junction where did you go? Q.
- 16:21:11 5 Α. We advanced towards Saroulla Cinema.
  - Just spell Saroulla for Their Honours please? 6 Q.
  - S-A-R-O-U-L-L-A. 7 Α.
  - Remind us, please, what road are you on at this point? 8 Q.
  - 9 This is the Kissy Bypass. Α.
- 16:21:46 10 Is that the same road as the old road? Q.
  - 11 Α. Yes.
  - 12 Q. After Saroulla Cinema where did you go?
  - 13 Α. Immediately we -- the troops -- I and the other troops
  - moved towards Fisher Lane. 14
- 16:22:10 15 Q. After Fisher Lane where did you go?
  - 16 Α. Well, in Fisher Lane I and the troops that were advancing
  - met a lot of vehicles that were cut off because the people that 17
  - were in the vehicles -- as we opened fire, the people came out of 18
  - the vehicles and ran. So we waited for Gullit to arrive. 19
- 16:22:35 20 Did Gullit subsequently arrive? Q.
  - 21 Α. Yes.
  - Did anything happen after he arrived? 22 Q.
  - 23 All the vehicles that were met within that area were set on Α.
  - 24 fire.
- 16:22:46 25 0. Who set them on fire?
  - 26 Α. All the commanders were included. The military
  - 27 supervisors, the commanders, everybody was putting on fire whilst
  - we were defending --28
  - 29 Why were the vehicles set on fire; do you know this? Q.

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- 1 Α. Yes. That was to create an obstacle.
- 2 Q. How do you know this?
- 3 Well, since -- as and I the troops were advancing mostly we Α.
- were expecting an attack from the ECOMOG forces with their
- 16:23:29 5 armoured cars. So by burning these vehicles we will create an
  - obstacle for the armoured car to come to our position with the 6
  - men where the other soldiers were. 7
  - Do you know who decided that the vehicles should be burned? 8 Q.
  - 9 This was Gullit himself. Α.
- 16:23:52 10 Q. How do you know that?
  - 11 Α. For any advance, as I and the troops advanced, if we met
  - 12 any location that --
  - 13 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can the witness please --
  - MS PACK: 14
- 16:24:10 15 Q. Pause, Witness. I think, Witness, you are going to have to
  - 16 slow down and just take the answer to that question slowly just
  - so that the interpreters have time to translate what you're 17
  - saying. So I asked you how you knew that Gullit decided that the 18
  - 19 vehicles should be burned. Just take it slowly?
- 16:24:29 20 Α. These vehicles were more than 50 that were in the cut off.
  - As I and the soldiers who were in the advanced stage reach at 21
  - 22 that point we came to a halt and waited for the brigade to come.
  - The brigade commander -- I mean, the chief in command -- and as 23
  - he arrived he said these vehicles -- this the best way to create 24
- 16:24:56 25 an obstacle. We should set them on fire so that if any attack
  - 26 from the ECOMOG forces with their armoured car this would create
  - 27 an obstacle so that they wouldn't be able to pursue the troops.
  - Who said this? 28 Q.
  - 29 Gullit. Α.

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- Where did you go after Fisher Lane? 1 Q.
- 2 MR FOFANAH: Sorry, Your Honours. At this stage again, the
- 3 witness started off by saying all the commanders or at least
- 4 everybody who was with the troops that went along old road were
- 16:25:33 5 involved in the burning but he has not explained how he came by
  - 6 that knowledge, everybody.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, Ms Pack. 7
  - MS PACK:
  - 9 Q. How do you know who carried out the burning?
- 16:25:50 10 As I said earlier, for any advance area that we reached, I Α.
  - and the soldiers who were in the front line will wait on the 11
  - 12 brigade and in this brigade there is Gullit, Bazzy, Five-Five,
  - 13 the brigade supervisors are there. And this particular burning
  - 14 of the vehicles, I and the other soldiers will not do anything
- without the command of Gullit. So whilst I and the other 16:26:21 15
  - 16 soldiers were waiting, when Gullit came he said we should set
  - 17 them on fire. He himself took part in the burning and the other
  - 18 commanders.
  - 19 Q. Where did you go after Fisher Lane?
- 16:26:48 20 Α. From Fisher Lane I and the troops -- I and the soldiers
  - that were ahead moved towards PWD Junction. 21
  - 22 MS PACK: PWD, Your Honours.
  - 23 Q. After PWD Junction where did you go?
  - We moved towards Mamba Bridge -- Kissy Brook. Sorry, Kissy 24 Α.
- 16:27:19 25 Brook.
  - 26 Could you spell Kissy Brook, please, Witness? Q.
  - 27 Α. K-I-S-S-Y B-R-O-O-K.
  - Which road is Kissy Brook on, do you know? 28 Q.
  - 29 Kissy Brook is by the old road, Blackhall Road. Α.

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- Blackhall Road? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. Yeah.
- 3 Q. Would you spell that please, Witness?
- B-L-A-C-K-H-A-L-L R-O-A-D, Blackhall Road. Α.
- 16:28:06 5 Q. Witness, you said earlier that you were instructed to
  - 6 observe the new road, to observe the firepower on the new road.
  - 7 At this point had you observed anything on the new road?
  - 8 Α. Yes.
  - 9 Q. What did you observe?
- 16:28:26 10 Well, as I and the other soldiers including the operations Α.
  - commander captured PWD Junction -- because if you stand at the 11
  - 12 junction and you look right down you will see the Ferry Junction.
  - 13 We looked at the firepower from our men. That made us to move
  - 14 further towards Kissy Brook.
- 16:28:50 15 MS PACK: Pause a moment. You've identified Ferry
  - 16 Junction. I don't think I need to spell that, Your Honours.
  - 17 Q. Where did you go after Kissy Brook?
  - 18 Blackhall Road towards Benz Garage. Α.
  - 19 Q. Could you spell the name of the garage?
- 16:29:18 20 Yes. B-E-N-Z G-A-R-A-G-E. Α.
  - 21 After the garage where did you go? Q.
  - 22 Α. Well, as we reached at the garage closer towards the Kissy
  - 23 Road cemetery we experienced a heavy firepower from the enemy
  - forces. 24
- 16:29:48 25 After that where did you go? Q.
  - 26 Well, I and the troops that were ahead, we waited for -- to Α.
  - 27 see how we could push these men from that position where they
  - 28 were.
  - 29 Who were you waiting for? Q.

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- Well, we also, as we reached -- I and the soldiers reached 1 Α.
- 2 at that end, waited to see the firepower from the new road to see
- 3 how they advanced to the Upgun area.
- Just spell Upgun, please? 4 Q.
- 16:30:32 5 Α. U-P-G-U-N.
  - 6 Q. Did you get to the Upgun area?
  - 7 Α. Well, later as Hassim fired some mortar bombs and also
  - followed by RPG bombs by NPFL then we -- I and the soldiers, as 8
  - 9 we moved further, we saw the troops that were moving by the new
- 16:31:05 10 road coming with an AA, that is anti-aircraft weapon, firing
  - 11 towards the new road as they were capturing the Upgun Junction.
  - 12 Q. Did you go to the Upgun Junction?
  - 13 Yes. I and the other men moved immediately and captured Α.
  - 14 the junction together with the AA that came with the new road and
- 16:31:34 15 joined the old road.
  - 16 Q. From Upgun where did you go?
  - Well, the AA man that came with the firing, that is our men 17 Α.
  - 18 from the new road, moved towards Ross Road whilst Commander
  - 19 Gunboot also, as we all captured the ground, moved towards Kissy
- 16:32:10 20 Road cemetery and advanced towards Kissy Road.
  - Pause a moment. Now you've identified the AA man that came 21 Q.
  - with the firing moved towards Ross Road. Would you just spell 22
  - 23 Ross?
  - R-O-S-S R-O-A-D. 24 Α.
- 16:32:38 25 Now, did the AA man move with the other men who'd been on 0.
  - 26 the new road?
  - 27 Yes. Where I stood, they moved -- that was their own task; Α.
  - 28 they should continue by the Fourah Bay Road area whilst we were
  - 29 at the Kissy Road end.

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- You've said they should continue by the Fourah Bay area. 1 Q.
- 2 Just spell Fourah Bay, please, for Their Honours?
- 3 Α. F-O-U-R-A-H B-A-Y R-O-A-D.
- Now you've said also that Gunboot moved towards the Kissy 4 Q.
- 16:33:26 5 Road cemetery. Who was with -- just remind us who Gunboot is or
  - 6 was?
  - Gunboot was also a commander that was in the front line. 7 Α.
  - Do you know his full name? 8 Q.
  - 9 Alhaji Kamanda. Α.
- 16:33:47 10 Q. Could you spell that, please?
  - 11 Α. A-L-H-A-J-I K-A-M-A-N-D-A.
  - 12 Was this an individual who you'd been with before Freetown? Q.
  - 13 Α. Yes.
  - 14 Whereabouts had you come across him before? Q.
- 16:34:22 15 Alhaji Kamanda from Kono Mansofinia who moved towards Α.
  - 16 Freetown.
  - What group had he been part of before, this Alhaji Kamanda? 17 Q.
  - 18 Α. A member of the Sierra Leone Army.
  - 19 Q. So who moved with Alhaji Kamanda alias Gunboot towards the
- 16:34:50 20 Kissy Road cemetery?
  - Myself, Hassim, NPFL, Gunboot, operation commander, O-Five 21 Α.
  - and also with other soldiers moved towards the Kissy Road area. 22
  - 23 [TB130605-CR]
  - 24 Q. Do you know what happened to the other troop that was on
- 16:35:31 25 Ross Road; where they were heading to?
  - 26 The only thing I knew was they should move towards the Α.
  - 27 Fourah Bay Road while we were moving along the Kissy Road.
  - 28 How did you know they were moving along the Fourah Bay Q.
  - 29 Road?

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- Well the troops, I have named the commander, were moving 1 Α.
- 2 towards Savage Square. This is a junction about Starcco Cinema,
- 3 you will see right down towards Bishop Johnson School at Fourah
- 4 Bay Road. It was from there we were able to indicate because
- when I and the other men captured Savage Square and we watched 16:36:19 5
  - 6 down, we saw other men waving?
  - Witness, I'm going to ask you to spell a few of the names 7 Q.
  - 8 you've mentioned. Savage Square.
  - 9 S-A-V-A-G-E, savage. Square, S-Q-U-A-R-E. Α.
- 16:36:48 10 Q. You mentioned a cinema, Starcco Cinema. Would you spell
  - 11 that, please?
  - 12 Α. S-T-A-R-C-C-O.
  - 13 Finally, Bishop Johnson School. I won't ask you to spell
  - 14 that. Witness, when you moved from Upgun, just explain, please,
- 16:37:19 15 for Their Honours where you went immediately after Upgun.
  - 16 Α. From Upgun, we captured Savage Square. From Savage Square,
  - we moved towards Mountain Cut Junction. 17
  - 18 Q. What happened at Mountain Cut Junction?
  - 19 Α. In fact, at Mountain Cut Junction, we halted - I and the
- 16:37:49 20 troops that came there - halted. We observed right down the
  - junction towards Guard Street. As we continued observing Fourah 21
  - Bay Road, Guard Street Junction, we observed our men that were 22
  - 23 moving along the Fourah Bay Road area and they sent some
  - soldiers. 24
- 16:38:12 25 Pause. Now, Mountain Cut Junction. Is that spelt as it Q.
  - 26 sounds, as in mountain and cut? No need to spell it?
  - 27 Α. The cut is C-U-T. The mountain is as normal.
  - 28 Q. And Guard, as in a guard?
  - 29 Α. Yes, Guard Street.

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- 1 Q. You observed your men moving along the Fourah Bay Road
- 2 area. Did you see what those men did?
- 3 No, they were only advancing. I never knew what they were Α.
- doing there, but they were advancing.
- 16:38:50 5 0. Where did you go from Mountain Cut Junction?
  - 6 Α. Well, at Mountain Cut Junction the troops at Fourah Bay
  - 7 Road, Guard Street sent some men that they were going to use the
  - road at the back of -- they used the Guard Street Road to capture 8
  - 9 the Eastern Police whilst we are moving towards the clock tower.
- 16:39:26 10 Q. Pause there, please. Where did you go then after some
  - 11 troops were sent to join you from the new road? Where did you go
  - 12 with the men you were with after that?
  - 13 I and the men, we were advancing towards the Eastern Police Α.
  - and we captured with Eastern Police as the other men came from 14
- 16:39:55 15 the Guard Street, we completely captured the station.
  - 16 Q. Who came from Guard Street?
  - The troops wherein Pikin was in, it was the troops that 17 Α.
  - came from Guard Street and came to the Eastern Police. 18
  - 19 0. What time of the day was it that you recall when you came
- to Eastern Police Station? 16:40:22 20
  - 21 Well, it was around 5.00 a.m. in the morning as I said, and Α.
  - as the troops entered the soldiers shouted, "Allahu Akbar, Allahu 22
  - Akbar." 23
  - What happened when you got to Eastern Police Station? 24 Q.
- Eastern Police Station was completely captured. 16:40:50 25 Α.
  - 26 After it was captured, did anything happen? Q.
  - 27 In fact, yes, two police officers, they were unfortunate. Α.
  - I and the other soldiers captured them. And this police were 28
  - 29 executed.

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- 1 Q. How do you know they were executed?
- 2 Α. Well, it was in my presence they were shot.
- 3 Q. Did you see who shot them?
- I saw the commander that fired them. Α.
- 16:41:44 5 Q. Who?
  - Colonel Gunboot, Commander Gunboot. 6 Α.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Could I get the spelling of the words 7
  - that the soldiers shouted, please? 8
  - MS PACK:
- 16:42:01 10 THE WITNESS: It is Allahu Akbar.
  - 11 MS PACK: I don't know that it can be spelt.
  - 12 THE WITNESS: Allahu Akbar, meaning God is great. It is
  - 13 A-L-L-A-H-U.
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: I've understood. 14
- 16:42:28 15 MS PACK:
  - 16 Q. Did anything happen at the police station?
  - 17 Yes, My Lord. The police station was completely burnt Α.
  - 18 down.
  - 19 Q. How do you know it was burnt down?
- 16:42:36 20 Well, it was in my presence. When the troops set the Α.
  - station on fire. As this was an order given by Gullit before. 21
  - 22 Who was present at the Eastern Police Station when the Q.
  - 23 station was set on fire?
  - The commanders that are at the front line. I was present. 24 Α.
- 16:43:04 25 Other commanders were present.
  - 26 Where did you go after Eastern Police? Q.
  - 27 Α. I and the other soldiers used the Goderich Street whilst
  - Pikin and the other men used Sani Abacha Street. 28
  - 29 Would you spell Goderich, please, if you can? Q.

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- 1 Α. G-O-D-E-R-I-C-H.
- 2 Q. And Sani Abacha?
- 3 S-A-N-I, Sani; A-B-A-C-H-A. Α.
- Q. Witness, at this point, where were you heading towards?
- 16:43:58 5 Α. Well, towards State House.
  - Did you get there? 6 Q.
  - 7 Α. Yes.
  - Can you remember what time of day it was when you got 8 Q.
  - there?
- 16:44:12 10 Well, it was almost around quarter to 6, quarter to 6 in Α.
  - 11 the morning. Because we met a little bit of resistance from the
  - 12 enemy forces, so we battled it out with them.
  - 13 Q. Was it still dark?
  - 14 Well, it was almost dawn, the place was almost getting Α.
- 16:44:50 15 clear.
  - 16 Q. What happened when you got to State House?
  - 17 Well the State House, I and the other -- the soldiers that Α.
  - 18 advanced towards Goderich Street, we captured that area, the
  - 19 library, the vice-president's office, the ammunition dump towards
- 16:45:11 20 Tower Hill while the men at Goderich Street came back up Cotton
  - Tree, captured the law courthouse building and came upstreet 21
  - 22 towards State House.
  - 23 Who captured State House? Q.
  - Well, the two groups. I and the other men at Goderich 24 Α.
- 16:45:40 25 Street fired at the Tower Hill area, and the ones that the Sani
  - 26 Abacha Street were advancing firing and put the ECOMOG forces
  - 27 that were at that area.
  - When you got to State House, did others come and join you 28
  - 29 there, after it was captured?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. Who came to join you there?
- 3 Α. The brigade administrator from the chief in command,
- Gullit; the deputy chief in command, Bazzy; and the brigade
- 16:46:22 5 administrators; and the rest of the families immediately arrived
  - at the State House. 6
  - By the brigade administrators, just name a few, please, so 7 Q.
  - 8 we know who you are talking about.
  - 9 The adjutant, the brigade administrator, the task force Α.
- 16:46:44 10 commander and military police commander.
  - 11 Q. Witness, I'm going to ask you, please, to have a look at a
  - 12 map.
  - 13 MS PACK: Your Honours, I have a map of Freetown. It has
  - 14 been served on my learned friends and I have copies for
- 16:47:20 15 Your Honour.
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: Any comment from the Defence?
  - MS THOMPSON: No, Your Honour. 17
  - MS PACK: 18
  - 19 Witness, what I'm going to do is ask you to mark the line
- 16:49:03 20 of troops through Freetown on the old road and the new road as
  - you've described for Their Honours today. I would like you to 21
  - take one of the coloured highlighter pens that I've given you, 22
  - 23 one of the colours and I would like you to start at the beginning
  - of the old road and please mark the line of movement of the 24
- 16:49:20 25 troops on the old road up to State House. Just mark the line
  - 26 with one of the highlighter pens in front of you.
  - 27 But this map that I have, it starts from Kissy mess --Α.
  - 28 Kissy bypass.
  - 29 Yes, you're going to have to use - it's a smaller map of Q.

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- 1 Freetown. We can look at the larger map of it later. But for
- 2 the moment what I'm going to ask you to do is mark from where
- 3 this map starts where the line of movement is from the beginning
- of this map. I appreciate, Witness, it doesn't obviously include 4
- the broader line of movement prior to reaching the locations on 16:50:04 5
  - 6 this map. Start with that colour on the old road, please.
  - 7 Witness, do take your time.
  - 8 Witness, have you marked the line of movement of the troops
  - 9 that you were in to the State House?
- 16:52:59 10 Α. Yes, My Lord.
  - 11 Q. That's with one of the highlighters. I would ask you to
  - 12 take the other highlighter and mark the line of movement of the
  - 13 troop that was going along the other road. The new road, Ross
  - Road, Fourah Bay Road, Guard Street. 14
- 16:53:32 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: Ms Pack, there's a map on the screen. I
  - 16 don't know if it's the same map as we have in front of us.
  - MS PACK: I think it is the map in front of my learned 17
  - friends for the Defence that is being shown on the screen. I'm 18
  - 19 not sure if it's the same map or a different map. They have been
- 16:53:59 20 served with copies of both of the Freetown maps. There's a
  - larger scale one and a smaller scale one. For their assistance, 21
  - one is marked "Freetown and environs" and the other one is marked 22
  - just "Freetown". 23
  - 24 Witness, when you've done that I would like you to mark
- 16:56:36 25 with a number one with the black biro that has been handed to
  - 26 you, the location of the State House. Witness, have you marked
  - 27 the two lines of movement to State House and "State House" on the
  - 28 map?
  - 29 Yes, My Lord. Α.

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MS PACK: Your Honours, I would like to tender the map with

2 the witness's markings on it. 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Has anybody got any reply to that application? 16:58:01 5 MR MANLY-SPAIN: We would like to see the map. 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, I think that is proper. Madam Court Attendant, please show the map firstly to counsel for the 7 Prosecution and then counsel for the Defence. 8 9 MR MANLY-SPAIN: I'm objecting to the tender the map --17:01:45 10 although we're not objecting to the tender of the map, we just 11 think it would be right for the Prosecution to lead a little bit 12 of evidence on CLF promotions, which is part of the map. 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Can we clarify how this map was produced? There appears to be a name, I notice, on the corner. Actually, I 14 17:02:12 15 suspect it may not be within the knowledge of this witness. 16 MS PACK: I doubt it, because the map was provided by the Prosecution and it's a map that was, as I understand it, it's one 17 of the maps that can be purchased in Freetown from quite a number 18 19 of vendors. It's a standard map of Freetown. I have not with 17:03:01 20 me, but I can provide for my learned friends the original map which is in a fold-up form and obviously, therefore less 21 convenient for use in Court. What this is is just a colour copy 22 of one of these fold-up maps; both of the Freetown parts on the 23 map, on the rear of the map is a map of the whole of Sierra 24 17:03:01 25 Leone. We haven't used the map with the whole of Sierra Leone 26 for this witness, but with the Freetown map, we have used this 27 fold-up map. If my learned friends want to see an example of the original, then I can hope to provide that tomorrow morning. 28 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: I note it is very close to 5.00 p.m.

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- Perhaps in the light of that reply by counsel for the 1
- 2 Prosecution, Mr Manly-Spain, if the original is produced tomorrow
- 3 morning, allow you to consider it and then you can then indicate
- to the Court whether you wish to pursue that particular point, or
- 17:03:41 5 what your view is in the light of the original.
  - 6 MR MANLY-SPAIN: Your Honour, I can see right now that the
  - problem would be cross-examination of the witness as to the 7
  - 8 veracity of the map.
  - 9 MS PACK: He's not a cartographer and he's not going to be
- able to testify as to the veracity of the map. 17:04:21 10
  - 11 MR MANLY-SPAIN: We do not think that in those
  - 12 circumstances the map could be tendered by him.
  - 13 MS PACK: Your Honour, I wish my friend had raised this
  - before we spent 25 minutes marking locations on the map. There 14
- 17:04:24 15 have been a number of maps through this witness and in other
  - 16 proceedings maps admitted in this Court, although not in this
  - Chamber, this map was admitted in the other trial, the 17
  - Sesay/Kallon/Gbao trial, this precise map in the same -- I'm not 18
  - 19 sure if it was in the same form, but certainly the Freetown pages
- 17:04:48 20 were admitted.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Ms Pack, did you not say before you 21
  - handed the map to the witness that you did in fact circulate this 22
  - 23 to the Defence?
  - MS PACK: It was circulated a good time ago, at least four 24
- 17:05:00 25 weeks. I can't put the date on it now. I don't remember the
  - 26 dates specifically. I'll find out but it has been at least three
  - 27 or four weeks, well before the witness started to testify. That
  - was three weeks ago now. It was at least one or two weeks before 28
  - 29 he started testifying.

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	1	JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Which would bring me to the question,
	2	Mr Manly-Spain, do you have objections to the veracity of this
	3	map? You are familiar with Freetown, and do you have objections
	4	that this is not an accurate reflection of the map of Freetown?
17:05:33	5	MR MANLY-SPAIN: Your Honour, apart from that, that is
	6	exactly the point. Apart from that, we do not think that this
	7	witness can answer questions on the veracity of the correctness
	8	of the map. But apart from that, when these maps were served on
	9	us, no one indicated the purpose for why they were served. We
17:05:54	10	have so many maps. Today, learned counsel just said, "I'm going
	11	to pass a map to the witness." The witness, do this, and that
	12	and that. I do not think it is wrong for us to object at this
	13	moment, just because we were served four weeks ago.
	14	JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Manly-Spain, I'm not suggesting that
17:06:41	15	it is wrong. I just wish to understand what the point at issue
	16	is.
	17	MS PACK: To respond to my learned friend's point about not
	18	knowing the purpose for which these maps were served, as I
	19	recall, they were served with an indication saying, "We are
17:06:41	20	providing you with this material now as a courtesy as it relates
	21	to Prosecution witness TF1-334." Then there are those maps
	22	listed and identified and by the case manager for the
	23	Prosecution, that is on 22 April 2005. So it was clearly stated
	24	that these maps were to be used with this witness.
17:06:50	25	Your Honour, I should further state that this witness,
	26	whilst not a cartographer, has given testimony that he is from
	27	Freetown and of course has given testimony now about the movement
	28	through Freetown. To that extent, he is able to say whether or
	29	not the map represents true representation of Freetown as he

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knows it. In any event, 22 April is when these maps were served. 1

- 2 It was clearly stated it was in relation to this witness's
- 3 testimony.
- MR FOFANAH: Your Honours, just on that last point and to
- 17:07:27 5 add to what Mr Manly-Spain told the Court, we were in fact
  - 6 looking at a different map at a time when the Prosecutor had
  - 7 introduced another map to the witness. We were not clearly sure
  - which map of Freetown the Prosecutor was showing to the witness.
  - 9 In fact, it was only later when Your Honour realised that our map
- 17:07:45 10 was shown on the screen that you indicated that you were looking
  - 11 at a different map. Had the Prosecution shown us what map she
  - 12 was going to put to the witness, we'll have been clear as to what
  - 13 map she was referring to. I think it was proper for us to have
  - 14 raised this objection at this stage since we did not know what
- 17:08:08 15 particular map the witness was marking at that material time. In
  - 16 addition to that, Your Honours, on the issue of objection as to
  - this witness not being the proper person to tender that map, we 17
  - are clearly reliant on the foundation, foundation and the fact 18
  - 19 that he is not an expert cartographer. And if we are contesting
- 17:08:34 20 the accuracy of the map, then it would be clearly difficult for
  - us to cross-examine him on the map as it is put. We can 21
  - 22 cross-examine him on his knowledge as indicated through his
  - testimony in chief without the map. He has already indicated to 23
  - us the routes that they used without the aid of any map. We can 24
- 17:08:53 25 cross-examine him accurately on that. To introduce a map on
  - 26 which the witness is clearly -- not an expert, he is not
  - 27 knowledgeable enough to read the map as a cartographer, I think
  - 28 it would be onerous on us to conduct our case properly. That is
  - 29 why we are objecting. Thank you.

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PRESIDING JUDGE: Sorry, Ms Pack. I note the Defence seems 1 2 to have moved away from the original objection to a new 3 objection. Are you saying, Mr Fofanah, that it needs a qualified cartographer to read a map? 17:10:11 5 MR FOFANAH: No, we are saying it would need a qualified cartographer to tell us how accurate that map is as it is 6 7 presented on that paper, because if we were going to 8 cross-examine him on streets that he has rightly drawn, or at 9 least indicated with a marker, then one of the things that we'll 17:10:11 10 be trying to establish is how accurate those streets are as they 11 are shown on the map, and he's not a cartographer to accurately tell us the information that we will seek under 12 13 cross-examination. JUDGE LUSSICK: Mr Fofanah, suppose instead of tendering 14 17:10:52 15 this map the Prosecution had asked him to draw a free-hand 16 diagram of his journey through Freetown, that would be unobjectionable. It wouldn't be to scale and it wouldn't be done 17 18 by a cartographer. 19 MR FOFANAH: Certainly we wouldn't have objected to that, 17:10:52 20 Your Honour. The only difference between a free sketch and the map is that the map is really the handy work of a cartographer. 21 Any effort by this witness to sketch out his route on that map 22 23 will kind of indicate he was following the route of the cartographer as indicated on the map. His free sketch would be 24 17:10:56 25 otherwise. It would be entirely of his own knowledge and design, 26 therefore, he can be cross-examined on that. Other than that, it 27 would be absolutely difficult and onerous on us to conduct a proper cross-examination using the map as it is without 28 29 foundation whether he is an expert to tell us the accuracy of the BRIMA ET AL Page 127 OPEN SESSION

- 1 map.
- 2 JUDGE LUSSICK: I see. So if somebody took your
- 3 photograph, it wouldn't be your work, and you're not an expert
- photographer, but would you be able to look at that photograph 4
- 17:11:29 5 and say, "Yes, that's an accurate depiction of myself"?
  - MR FOFANAH: I think that would boil Your Honour to 6
  - 7 perception?
  - JUDGE LUSSICK: The Defence would object to that 8
  - 9 photograph, I know that Mr Fofanah.
- 17:11:53 10 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Fofanah, are you saying that the
  - Defence was not in fact served with this version of the Freetown 11
  - 12 map, but, rather, a different version?
  - 13 MR FOFANAH: No, Your Honour, I am not saying that. We
  - 14 have been served with all the maps we rightly indicated to the
- 17:12:10 15 Court --
  - 16 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Including the one in question?
  - MR FOFANAH: Yes, when we realised it was that map of 17
  - 18 Freetown and not the earlier map of Freetown we were referring
  - 19 to, it was then that we raised the objection, because my learned
- 17:12:24 20 colleague had earlier indicated to the Court that we have wasted
  - 25 minutes trying to raise an objection. 21
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: What is your objection with regard to 22
  - 23 this map of Freetown? Is it an inaccurate reflection of
  - Freetown? 24
- 17:12:41 25 MR FOFANAH: That is it, Your Honours. We have looked at
  - 26 it. We were all born here. We know where the routes are and we
  - 27 think that map is inaccurate.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: I suppose we'll take it up from here 28
  - 29 tomorrow.

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	1	MS PACK: Can I just reply?
	2	PRESIDING JUDGE: Counsel for the Prosecution has a right
	3	of reply because these were issues that were not raised in the
	4	original objection. Ms Pack please reply.
17:13:07	5	MS PACK: If I might deal firstly with what my learned
	6	friend is saying about they are looking at a different map. The
	7	maps were provided. If they didn't bring them both to Court,
	8	then so be it. Both of the Freetown maps were provided. What my
	9	learned friends are looking at was a larger scale version of the
17:13:28	10	map. There is a smaller box which is then cut out so that one
	11	can then look at this in the closer scale, the ones that Your
	12	Honour has in front of you. There is a large scale map with a
	13	box marked within it plus a smaller scale map which is the one
	14	the witness was using.
17:13:46	15	Your Honours, it is a little disingenuous in my submission
	16	to say therefore the objection is only made now because my
	17	learned friends were looking at a different map and it is a
	18	little disingenuous to say this witness cannot read the map
	19	because he's not an expert and he's not a cartographer. It's not
17:14:03	20	onerous to conduct cross-examination of a route that the witness
	21	has talked about orally and which he has now sought to mark on a
	22	map which he can answer a question, Your Honours, which I can put
	23	to him tomorrow morning or this afternoon as to whether or not he
	24	thinks the map represents an accurate reflection of the Freetown
17:14:21	25	streets that he has marked on it.
	26	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Ms Pack.
	27	[Trial Chamber confers]
	28	PRESIDING JUDGE: Could we have the map that has been
	29	marked by the witness? The actual matter is whose tender is now

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	4	To the contribution of the O
	1	being objected to?
	2	MS PACK: Your Honour, might I ask that my learned friends
	3	clarify one issue for the sake of your deliberations, which is to
	4	identify how it is contended that the map is inaccurate? Maybe
17:16:32	5	that is something that the witness can deal with. My learned
	6	friend has now said that the map is inaccurate. If he can
	7	identify how, then maybe the witness can respond to that.
	8	[TB130605I-JM]
	9	[The Trial Chamber deliberates]
17:19:07	10	PRESIDING JUDGE: The decision on this objection is as
	11	follows: The Trial Chamber is of the unanimous view that this
	12	proposed exhibit shows a route followed as described in oral
	13	evidence and, as such, is admissible and is now admitted as P18.
	14	Is that the correct next exhibit number, Madam Court
17:19:30	15	Attendant?
	16	MS EDMONDS: That's correct, yes.
	17	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. P18.
	18	[Exhibit No. P18 was admitted]
	19	MS THOMPSON: Your Honour, in that case, may I ask through
17:19:36	20	you for my learned friend to kindly bring the originals of this
	21	and all other maps that she intends to rely on. That way, we'll
	22	be able to compare them.
	23	PRESIDING JUDGE: Indeed. And to avoid any future exchange
	24	of this nature. And also, counsel should be provided at some
17:19:53	25	point, allowed to look at this, in order to mark up their own
	26	maps in accordance with the way the witness has described. At
	27	the convenience of the Court Management.
	28	First of all, we're over our usual time, and this appears
	29	to be an appropriate time to adjourn. So we will adjourn until

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	Т	tomorrow morning.
	2	Madam Court Attendant, please adjourn Court to tomorrow
	3	morning.
	4	Indeed, my Learned Sister has just reminded me that I have
17:20:40	5	not informed the witness that the witness is under oath and, as
	6	such, should not discuss his evidence until all of his evidence
	7	is finished. Mr Witness, you remember me telling you this
	8	before? And I tell you again today. Are you clear on this
	9	point?
17:20:56	10	THE WITNESS: Yes, My Lord.
	11	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you.
	12	[Whereupon the hearing adjourned at 5.21 p.m.,
	13	to be reconvened on Tuesday, the 14th of June,
	14	2005, at 9.15 a.m.]
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