Case No. SCSL-2004-14-T THE PROSECUTOR OF THE SPECIAL COURT

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SAM HINGA NORMAN MOININA FOFANA ALLIEU KONDEWA

THURSDAY, 2 JUNE 2005

9.50 A.M. TRIAL

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		[HN020605A-SGH]
	2	Thursday 2nd June 2005
	3	[Open Session]
	4	[The Accused Fofana and Kondewa present]
09:28:21	5	[Witness entered court]
	6	[Upon commencing at 9.50 a.m.]
		PRESIDING JUDGE: Good morning, counsel. Good morning, Madam
	8	Witness. Yesterday we adjourned at the stage of cross-examination by
	9	the accused persons and we were at the cross-examination of the first
09:54:04	10	accused. Are you ready to proceed now?
	11	MR YILLAH: Very well, Your Honour.
	12	THE INTERPRETER: The witness's mic is not on.
	13	MR BANGURA: The witness's mic is not on.
	14	WITNESS: TF1-187 [continued]
09:54:15	15	CROSS-EXAMINED BY MR YILLAH:
	16	Q. Good morning, Madam Witness?
	17	A. Good morning.
	18	Q. Madam Witness, could you assist the Court by stating which
	19	period in 1998 you are talking about in Gambia village? Is it
09:55:01	20	the early part, mid or late 1998?
	21	A. Towards the end.
	22	Q. Towards the end of 1998?
	23	A. Yes.
	24	Q. In the rainy season?
09:55:24	25	A. Yes.
	26	Q. Thank you. Now, Madam Witness, would I be correct to say
	27	that some of the Kamajors or most of the Kamajors that you saw in
	28	Gambia village were natives of that village? Would I be correct
	29	to say that?

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- No, no, I wasn't -- I would not be able to tell whether 1 Α.
- 2 they were all natives of the place.
- 3 But were some of them natives of Gambia village so far as Q.
- 4 you know?
- 09:56:24 5 Α. Yes.
 - 6 Q. And they were residing in Gambia village at this time?
 - 7 Α. Yes, they were residing there.
 - 8 Q. Madam Witness, you testified yesterday about an incident
 - 9 involving the alleged killing of three pregnant women. Now,
- 09:57:18 10 Madam Witness, was there a chiefdom authority or a village
 - 11 authority or a chief in Gambia village during this period?
 - 12 Α. No.
 - 13 Now, do you know where the chief was during that period? Q.
 - 14 The town chief was there, but where he was I didn't know. Α.
- 09:58:24 15 Madam Witness, could you assist this Court by telling us Q.
 - 16 how big Gambia village is?
 - It is a big village. It is not a small village as one 17 Α.
 - would say but it's a big village. 18
 - 19 0. Madam Witness, I am informed that Gambia is a small village
- 09:59:08 20 surrounded by forest; would you accept that description or not?
 - It is not a small village, it is a little bit -- it's a 21 Α.
 - 22 little bit bigger.
 - 23 Madam Witness, I am also informed that there is no field --Q.
 - there is no field in Gambia on which a helicopter would land. 24
- 09:59:56 25 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I stand to object to that question.
 - 26 There is no evidence before this Court from this witness that there is a
 - 27 field or there was a field in which a helicopter landed. There is no
 - such evidence before this Court. I don't remember the witness talking 28
 - 29 about a field.

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- PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Defence Counsel. 1
- MR YILLAH: My Lord, my recollection of the evidence is 2
- 3 that the witness testified yesterday that the helicopter landed
- in Gambia.
- 10:00:31 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: I do not think there is a dispute about
 - that, it is your use of the word "field". 6
 - MR YILLAH: Yes, My Lord. It is my contention that the 7
 - helicopter could only land in a field. Could only land in a 8
 - 9 field in a village, that is my contention.
- 10:00:49 10 JUDGE THOMPSON: Well, perhaps you need to put the question
 - 11 differently, because she did not in any way say that the
 - helicopter landed on a field. I don't have that record. She 12
 - 13 talked about something spinning, spinning and spinning and all
 - 14 that.
- 10:01:03 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: And landed in the village as such. Where
 - 16 in the village, I don't know. You may be suggesting that it was
 - 17 in a field or not, but that is not in the evidence.
 - 18 MR YILLAH: As My Lord pleases.
 - 19 JUDGE THOMPSON: I vividly recollect that she was
- 10:01:17 20 emphasising something spinning all the time.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Under the --21
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes. 22
 - MR YILLAH: As My Lord pleases. 23
 - Now, Madam Witness, you said in your evidence-in-chief 24 Q.
- 10:01:37 25 yesterday that Mr Norman was not present when the alleged
 - 26 killings were being done; is that correct?
 - 27 Α. Yes.
 - MR YILLAH: My Lords, that will be all for this witness. 28
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Yillah. Counsel for the

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- second accused. Mr Bockarie. 1
- 2 CROSS-EXAMINED BY MR BOCKARIE:
- 3 Q. Madam Witness, in your evidence-in-chief you said you were
- 4 abducted at XXXXXXX XXXXX Chiefdom by the rebels in 1991; am I
- 5 correct?
- 6 Α. Yes.
- Is it XXXXXXX XXXXXXX Chiefdom in Bo District? 7 Q.
- 8 Α. Yes.
- 9 Madam Witness, will you be surprised to know that in 1991 Q.
- 10:03:32 10 the RUF rebel war was only confined in Kailahun and Pujehun
 - districts? 11
 - 12 JUDGE ITOE: Is that a fair question for this witness? Is that a
 - 13 very fair question for this witness, Mr Bockarie?
 - 14 MR BOCKARIE: Yes, My Lord, because she has emphatically
- 10:03:55 15 said that she was abducted in Bumpeh Ngao in 1991.
 - 16 JUDGE ITOE: Your question is put as if she was monitoring
 - the war and knew what was happening in other sectors of the war 17
 - 18 and in the geographical distribution of war. That is why I am
 - 19 asking whether this is a very fair question.
- 10:04:20 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: She could say they were abducted and
 - there was no war in that particular area [Overlapping speakers] 21
 - 22 JUDGE ITOE: But --
 - 23 MR BOCKARIE: We want her to say that.
 - 24 JUDGE ITOE: Anyway, go ahead.
- 10:04:31 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is the way you have asked your
 - 26 question.
 - 27 MR BOCKARIE:
 - 28 Q. Madam Witness, you said you were abducted by the rebels in
 - 29 XXXXXXX in 1991; am I correct?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. So in actual fact you are telling this Court that in 1991
- 3 the rebels reached XXXXXXX; correct?
- Α. Yes.
- 10:05:10 5 Q. Madam Witness, I am putting it to you that Bumpeh was never
 - attacked in 1991. In 1991 XXXXXXX was rebel free. 6
 - 7 Α. I was captured during that time. I would not lie.
 - 8 Q. Thank you, Madam Witness. Madam Witness, have you heard of
 - 9 the name Regent Chief Orlando Walters of XXXXXXX Chiefdom?
- 10:06:13 10 Α. Yes.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Orlando? 11
 - 12 MR BOCKARIE: Walters, Regent Chief of XXXXXXX Chiefdom.
 - 13 Q. Madam Witness, are you aware that when rebels attacked
 - XXXXXXX the Regent Chief got drowned whilst crossing the Tabe 14
- 10:07:07 15 river, allegedly?
 - 16 Α. Yes.
 - Madam Witness, you will agree with me that that was the 17 Q.
 - 18 first attack by the rebels on Bumpeh Town; isn't it?
 - 19 Α. Yes.
- 10:07:59 20 Madam Witness, will you be surprised that this particular Q.
 - 21 attack where the Paramount Chief, the Regent Chief Orlando
 - 22 Walters got drowned occurred in January 1995? Just after
 - 23 Christmas?
 - I wouldn't tell the year. I cannot remember the year. But 24 Α.
- 10:08:38 25 all what he has said is true. The very time that that attack was
 - 26 made, that was the time he got drowned.
 - 27 Thank you. Madam Witness, I am putting it to you that the Q.
 - 28 attack occurred in January 1995.
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: She has said she does not know the year.

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- MR BOCKARIE: Yes, yes, I have just put it in evidence, My Lord. 1
- 2 Q. Now, Madam Witness, you said from XXXXXXX you were taken
- 3 to Kailahun; am I correct?
- 4 Α. Yes.
- 10:09:30 5 Q. Madam Witness, during that time you were in Kailahun Town
 - itself or in a town in Kailahun District? 6
 - I was in a district. 7 Α.
 - Which town? 8 Q.
 - 9 Α. Jojoima.
- 10:10:09 10 Thank you. Madam Witness, you will agree with me that Q.
 - 11 Jojoima that was one of the strongholds of the RUF in the
 - Kailahun District; am I correct? 12
 - 13 Α. Yes.
 - 14 Further, in Jojoima young girls of your age were either Q.
- 10:10:54 15 conscripted into the RUF fighting force or joined in voluntarily;
 - 16 isn't it?
 - 17 Yes. Α.
 - 18 Madam Witness, did you join the RUF fighting force? Q.
 - 19 Α. No.
- 10:11:43 20 You did not? Q.
 - 21 Α. No.
 - 22 Q. Throughout your stay in Jojoima, were you with your
 - 23 husband?
 - 24 Α. Yes.
- 10:12:05 25 Throughout? Q.
 - 26 Yes, I was together with him in one place. Α.
 - 27 Q. Madam Witness, I recall you told this Court yesterday that
 - your husband died whilst you were in Kailahun. Did you say that? 28
 - 29 Α. Yes.

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- Then where are we? 1 Q.
- 2 Α. He was killed. He was killed there.
- 3 Q. When was that, Madam Witness?
- When we went, they used to loot, all the things they used 4 Α.
- 10:12:59 5 to loot they used to give them to us to keep. So there was a
 - time they brought articles that were too heavy, but by then he 6
 - was sick. Then he told them that he was not able to carry 7
 - anything and so he was killed. 8
 - 9 Q. Okay. So after the death of your husband you were alone at
- 10:13:13 10 Jojoima, weren't you?
 - By then I was together with my child. I had a child. 11 Α.
 - 12 Q. Fine. You were together with your child at Jojoima,
 - 13 weren't you?
 - 14 Α. Yes.
- 10:13:42 15 Q. Madam Witness, at this time all the young men in Jojoima
 - 16 were either RUF fighters or sympathisers of the RUF; am I
 - 17 correct?
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: How would she know the second part? 18
 - 19 MR BOCKARIE: Sorry, I will withdraw that, My Lord.
- 10:13:54 20 JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes.
 - MR BOCKARIE: 21
 - 22 At this time all the young men in Jojoima were RUF
 - 23 fighters; am I correct?
 - 24 Α. Yes.
- 10:14:46 25 Madam Witness, did you fall in love with any RUF fighters Q.
 - 26 in Jojoima?
 - 27 Α. No, I cannot lie about it.
 - Madam Witness, you recall the coup that overthrew the SNP 28 Q.
 - 29 government in 1997, don't you?

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- Yes, but not much. I would not be able to tell much about 1 Α.
- 2 it.
- 3 Q. Yes. Madam Witness, is it not true that after the coup
- most RUF fighters left Jojoima and came to either Bo, Kenema or
- 10:15:53 5 Freetown to join the AFRC government. Isn't it true?
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Problematic question, second part. How does she 6
 - get all this knowledge? She can probably talk about whether she 7
 - observed at some length [Overlapping speakers] 8
 - MR BOCKARIE: Yes, I will take the cue, Your Honour.
- 10:16:12 10 JUDGE THOMPSON: The second part is really --
 - MR BOCKARIE: Yes. 11
 - 12 Q. Isn't it true that after the coup most RUF fighters left
 - 13 Jojoima and came to either Bo, Kenema or Freetown?
 - 14 MR BANGURA: I think it is the same point. Counsel has repeated
- 10:16:27 15 the question again in the same terms.
 - 16 JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes, the meaning -- in the context of the
 - evidence that this witness has given, unless there is something 17
 - 18 in the disclosed witness statements which said that she really
 - 19 knew a lot about, where they left and she was not, like my
- 10:16:49 20 brother said, she wasn't monitoring this process and their
 - movement. She probably would know something generally, whether 21
 - the left Jojoima or carried on or whatever. But whether they 22
 - 23 came to Freetown or elsewhere --
 - 24 MR BOCKARIE: Okay.
- 10:17:04 25 Now, Madam Witness, do you know that after the coup most 0.
 - 26 RUF fighting forces left Jojoima?
 - 27 Α. No.
 - Thank you. Madam Witness, Gambia is a very small 28 Q.
 - 29 community; am I correct?

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- It is not a small village. Not too much of a small 1 Α.
- 2 village.
- 3 But there is a lot of personal interaction that goes on Q.
- within the inhabitants of that community; am I correct?
- 10:18:01 5 Α. Yes.
 - 6 Now, tell me, the pregnant women that were allegedly Q.
 - killed, did you know their names?
 - No, I wouldn't tell their names. I wouldn't know their 8 Α.
 - 9 names.
- 10:18:26 10 Q. You didn't know their names. Do you know whether they were
 - 11 married or not or had boyfriends?
 - 12 At that time I would not know because they were captured in Α.
 - 13 my presence. I didn't know. But I -- but I believed that they
 - 14 were all married, but I didn't know.
- 10:19:38 15 Q. Madam Witness, did you know their parents?
 - 16 Α. No.
 - Madam Witness, I am putting it to you that you didn't know 17 Q.
 - the names, you didn't know the names of the husband, you didn't 18
 - 19 know the names of their parents because such incident never
- 10:20:10 20 occurred.
 - Go back to that. 21 Α.
 - I am putting it to you that you didn't know their names, 22 Q.
 - the names of the victims, you didn't know the names of the 23
 - 24 husbands, you did not know the names of the parents, because such
- 10:20:39 25 incident never occurred.
 - 26 How could I say that it did not happen. How would you Α.
 - 27 prove that it did not happen? It was during the war, I only saw
 - 28 them capture them, but I don't know their parents. What I saw is
 - 29 what I am saying.

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- 1 Q. Thank you, Madam Witness. Madam Witness, there is a town
- 2 chief at Gambia; am I correct?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- You said -- sorry, do you know his name? Q.
- 10:21:36 5 Α. Yes. I used to know his name.
 - Yes. What is his name? 6 Q.
 - 7 Α. Yes.
 - Is he still alive? 8 Q.
 - Α. I wouldn't tell whether he is alive.
- 10:21:48 10 Then tell me the name of the town chief at the time of the Q.
 - 11 alleged incident.
 - 12 Α. Mr Lewis.
 - 13 Q. You mean Joe Lewis?
 - 14 Yes. Yes. Α.
- 10:22:17 15 JUDGE ITOE: Did he say Jenny or David.
 - 16 MR BOCKARIE: I said Lewis. Lewis.
 - JUDGE ITOE: You said Lewis or Lois? 17
 - MR BOCKARIE: Lewis. 18
 - JUDGE ITOE: Lewis. 19
- 10:22:22 20 MR BOCKARIE: L-E-W-I-S.
 - JUDGE ITOE: Yes, Lewis. 21
 - MR BOCKARIE: 22
 - Is he not called Joe Lewis? 23 Q.
 - 24 Α. Yes.
- 10:22:35 25 Also, it is a fact that at this time Chief Lewis was the Q.
 - 26 chiefdom speaker of Jong Chiefdom to Chief Koroma -- to Chief
 - 27 Goba. Chief Lewis, he was the chiefdom speaker of Jong Chiefdom.
 - Do you know that? 28
 - 29 No, Mr Goba, not Koroma. Α.

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- Yes, thanks for your correction. Yes, she is correct. 1 Q.
- 2 Thanks for your correction. And the speaker to Chief Goba was
- 3 Chief Joe Lewis, am I correct?
- Α. Yes.
- 10:23:29 5 Q. So, Madam Witness, you are telling this Court that this
 - alleged incident occurred in the presence of Chief Lewis? 6
 - JUDGE ITOE: What? 7
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Did she say that?
 - JUDGE ITOE: She didn't say that.
- 10:23:37 10 JUDGE THOMPSON: Is that on the record?
 - 11 MR BOCKARIE: I am sorry.
 - JUDGE ITOE: It's not part of the record. 12
 - 13 MR BOCKARIE: I'm sorry.
 - 14 JUDGE ITOE: That is not part of the record. That is not
- 10:23:41 15 part of the evidence.
 - 16 JUDGE THOMPSON: You may be making a point of -- you can
 - put your theory anyway. 17
 - 18 MR BOCKARIE:
 - 19 Q. Now, Madam Witness, you said this alleged killing happened
- publicly, isn't it? 10:23:51 20
 - 21 Α. Yes.
 - Was Chief Lewis present, the Chief of Gambia? Was he 22 Q.
 - 23 present at the time of the alleged killing?
 - No, he was not there at that time. I did not see him. 24 Α.
- 10:24:17 25 Was any other chief in the town present; do you know? Q.
 - 26 Α. No.
 - 27 MR BOCKARIE: Thank you. That will be all, Your Honour. Thank
 - 28 you very much.
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Bockarie. Counsel for the

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- third accused. 1
- 2 CROSS-EXAMINED BY MR MARGAI:
- 3 Q. Madam Witness, you said you were captured by the RUF in
- 1991; is that correct?
- 10:25:13 5 Α. That's what I said.
 - 6 Q. Thank you. And you remained in captivity until 1998 with
 - the RUF?
 - 8 Α. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Now, were you released by the RUF or did you hide from your
- 10:25:52 10 captivity?
 - 11 Α. I hid. I escaped from them when they killed my husband and
 - 12 they wounded my child. That's when I escaped. They are the ones
 - 13 that let me go.
 - 14 So after the RUF had killed your husband and wounded your Q.
- child you hid; is that correct? 10:26:21 15
 - 16 Α. Yes.
 - 17 Thank you. And I take it that was in XXXXXXX Chiefdom Q.
 - in Bo District. 18
 - 19 Α. Yes.
- 10:26:37 20 MR BANGURA: May it please Your Honour.
 - 21 THE INTERPRETER: Repeat that. Repeat that.
 - 22 MR BANGURA: Counsel is seeking to mislead the witness by
 - 23 that question.
 - [Multiple speakers Transcript incomplete] 24
- 10:27:08 PRESIDING JUDGE: Just one moment, Mr Margai, I will hear what --
 - 26 THE WITNESS: I do not understand the question.
 - 27 MR BANGURA: Your Honour, there is evidence before this
 - Court by the witness that she was captured in XXXXXXX XXXXXXX 28
 - 29 Chiefdom and taken to Kailahun. And counsel is putting it to the

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- witness that this incident, that is the capture and her eventual 1
- 2 escape from the RUF, took place in XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX Chiefdom. That is
- 3 merely confusing the witness.
- PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Margai.
- 10:27:33 5 MR MARGAI: Yes, My Lord, before I respond I believe that
 - 6 we have to at least choose our words very guardedly. For learned
 - 7 counsel to say that counsel is trying to mislead the witness, I
 - find that a bit unpalatable. As My Lords please. 8
 - 9 Q. Be that as it may, where were you captured by the RUF?
 - XXXXXXX. 10 Α.
 - 11 Q. Bumpeh?
 - 12 XXXXXXX XXXXXXX. Α.
 - 13 Ngao Chiefdom? Q.
 - 14 Chiefdom. Α.
- 10:28:16 15 Now, when you escaped, where did you go to? Q.
 - 16 Α. I travelled going through so many her hurdles, my child was
 - suffering because the distance was long from where we had come 17
 - 18 from and I came as far as to Gambia.
 - 19 Q. That Gambia in the Jong chiefdom?
- 10:28:39 20 Α. Yes.
 - 21 Now, Gambia is a little under 3 miles from Matru Jong; that Q.
 - is the township of Matru. 22
 - 23 Α. No.
 - How far is Gambia from Matru Town? 24 Q.
- 10:29:15 25 It could be about 7 miles, but not 3 miles. Α.
 - 26 Very well. Now, in what year did you go to Gambia after Q.
 - 27 leaving Bumpeh?
 - 28 I didn't just come from Bumpeh to Gambia. I just wanted Α.
 - 29 you to know, I didn't just leave Bumpeh for Gambia.

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- 1 Q. When did you ultimately get to Gambia? What year?
- 2 Α. 1998.
- 3 Thank you. Now, the main source of income for people Q.
- living in Gambia is oil palm; not so?
- 10:30:51 5 Α. Yes. That's what is there.
 - That is in fact their livelihood? 6 Q.
 - 7 Α. Yes.
 - 8 Q. Thank you. And in that year Joe Lewis, of whom you made
 - mention a short while ago, was the town chief of Gambia?
- 10:31:17 10 Α. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And the Paramount Chief of Jong chiefdom was Sam Goba,
 - 12 otherwise known as Basopan. Paramount Chief Basopan.
 - 13 JUDGE ITOE: The Paramount Chief of the Jong?
 - 14 MR MARGAI: Jong chiefdom. Sam Goba, otherwise known as
- 10:32:05 15 Paramount Chief Basopan. B-A-S-O-P-A-N.
 - 16 Q. I beg your pardon, you were saying something?
 - He is no longer alive, that's what I want to tell you. 17 Α.
 - 18 JUDGE THOMPSON: Can counsel please spell it?
 - 19 JUDGE ITOE: Yes, those spellings.
- 10:32:32 20 MR MARGAI: Sam Goba Basopan, B-A-S-O-P-A-N, Basopan.
 - [HN020605B CR] 21
 - In 1998, Sam Goba was paramount chief of Jong chiefdom, was 22 Q.
 - he, or had he died? 23
 - I believe so, but I cannot make a distinction, but I 24
- 10:33:13 25 believe so. I don't want to tell lies. I don't want to tell
 - 26 lies.
 - 27 MR MARGAI: She cannot tell, My Lord. I won't press.
 - But Joe Lewis was speaker of Jong Chiefdom? 28 Q.
 - 29 Α. Yes.

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- Now, on reflection, in 1998, Jonathan Sama was the regent 1 Q.
- 2 chief, Jonathan Sama; isn't that correct?
- 3 Α. Yes. He was the regent chief.
- Now, because of the concentration of oil palm plantation in 4 Q.
- 10:34:35 5 Gambia, Gambia has a large population.
 - Yes. That's our own diamond. 6 Α.
 - 7 Q. Thank you, I know that.
 - That's what people are claiming. 8 Α.
 - 9 Q. And Gambia was still populous in 1998? There was a large
- concentration of people in Gambia in 1998? 10:35:14 10
 - 11 Α. Yes, there were so many people there. Even though it was
 - 12 during the war, but there were many people there.
 - 13 Q. Now, at the time you went to Gambia in 1998, was it at the
 - 14 early part of 1998, mid-1998, or towards the end of 1998?
- 10:35:49 15 At the end. Α.
 - 16 Q. Towards the end of 1998?
 - Yes, towards the end. 17 Α.
 - 18 At that time, meaning towards the end of 1998, there was in Q.
 - 19 place the Tejan Kabbah government. In other words, the
- 10:36:43 20 government had resumed governing Sierra Leone in 1998? Would you
 - agree with me? 21
 - 22 I wouldn't know that. I don't want to tell lies. What is
 - the truth is what I am talking about. 23
 - MR MARGAI: My Lord, I take it that judicial notice will be 24
- 10:37:14 25 taken of the restoration of the democratically elected
 - 26 government.
 - 27 JUDGE THOMPSON: I don't see why this witness can be
 - pressed to that, seeing as she has given evidence in respect of 28
 - 29 matters which are not so technical.

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- MR MARGAI: Is your Lordship suggesting that the return of 1
- 2 the government was technical?
- 3 JUDGE THOMPSON: Well, technical to certain persons. Of
- course, technical not to you.
- 10:37:41 5 MR MARGAI: She went up to Form 1.
 - 6 JUDGE THOMPSON: Yeah, but --
 - MR MARGAI: Never mind. I won't press that as long as 7
 - judicial notice will be taken. 8
 - 9 JUDGE THOMPSON: Matters that you know, counsel --
- 10:37:53 10 MR MARGAI: As My Lords please.
 - 11 JUDGE THOMPSON: -- you wouldn't attribute to her.
 - MR MARGAI: 12
 - 13 Q. Now, by the end of 1998 when you went to Gambia, the police
 - 14 were functioning in Matru Jong?
- 10:38:25 15 I wouldn't tell that. I didn't know. Α.
 - 16 Q. Now --
 - Wait for me, I want to drink some water. All finished. 17 Α.
 - 18 Thank you. Now, by the end of 1998 when you went to Q.
 - 19 Gambia, would you agree with me that the war had completely come
- 10:39:12 20 to an end in Gambia?
 - No, I wouldn't agree to that. At that time, the war had 21
 - 22 not ended.
 - 23 I'm putting it to you that the war had not only come to an
 - end in Gambia, but the war had come to an end in Bonthe district, 24
- of which Gambia is a part. 10:40:00 25
 - 26 During that time, Kamajors were there. Α.
 - 27 No, please don't confuse the issue. I'm not talking about Q.
 - 28 the presence of the Kamajors.
 - 29 Okay, okay. Α.

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- 1 Q. I'm saying by the end of 1998, there was no war in Bonthe
- 2 district.
- 3 Α. Okay.
 - Q. You agree?
- 10:40:41 5 Α. Yes.

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- 6 Q. Thank you. Now, you mentioned a visit to Gambia by Chief
- 7 Norman; did you not?
- 8 JUDGE ITOE: The answer is yes, just continue.
- 9 MR MARGAI:
- 10:41:18 10 Q. Now, this visit, I take it, was in the latter part of 1998?
 - 11 Α. Mmm.
 - 12 Could you speak up, please? Q.
 - 13 Α. Yes.
 - 14 And as far as you are concerned, Chief Norman gave only one Q.
- 10:41:49 15 visit.
 - 16 JUDGE ITOE: This was at the end of 1998?
 - MR MARGAI: 1998, My Lord. 17
 - 18 Q. As far as you are concerned, Chief Norman paid only one
 - 19 visit to Gambia during that period.
- 10:42:07 20 Α. Yes.
 - Do you know whether at that time, the end of 1998, Chief 21 Q.
 - Norman was deputy defence minister. If you don't know, it 22
 - 23 doesn't matter; judicial notice will be taken of that.
 - 24 PRESIDING JUDGE: Are you asking the witness, or are you
- 10:42:33 25 asking the --
 - 26 MR MARGAI: I'm asking the witness, My Lord, I cannot ask
 - 27 the Bench.
 - 28 PRESIDING JUDGE: Don't argue with the witness about
 - 29 judicial notice.

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- 1 MR MARGAI: No, no.
- PRESIDING JUDGE: Just ask the question.
- 3 MR MARGAI: As My Lord pleases.
- THE WITNESS: I don't know.
- 10:43:04 5 MR MARGAT:
 - 6 Q. You don't know. Thank you. Now, when Chief Norman paid
 - that visit, was he accompanied by soldiers? 7
 - I didn't see soldiers. No. What I saw is what I'm talking 8 Α.
 - 9 about.
- 10:43:34 10 Was Chief Norman accompanied by police personnel? Q.
 - 11 Α. Yes.
 - 12 How many would you say? How many police personnel did you Q.
 - 13 see?
 - I saw two of them. 14 Α.
- 10:43:53 15 And were they in uniform? Q.
 - 16 Α. Yes.
 - 17 And these three pregnant women you talked of, had they been Q.
 - captured before the arrival of Chief Norman? 18
 - 19 Α. Yes, they had been captured. When they heard the sound of
- 10:44:34 20 the thing, that's when they captured them.
 - Thank you. You said all three were killed in the court 21 Q.
 - barri at Gambia? 22
 - 23 Α. Yes.
 - Thank you. I take it one after the other? 24 Q.
- 10:45:06 25 Α. Yes.
 - 26 What is the distance between where Chief Norman's Q.
 - 27 helicopter landed and this court barri, can you approximate,
 - please? 28
 - 29 Yes. It's like from the entrance to this point -- the Α.

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- entrance of the gate -- the entrance into the Court to the courts 1
- 2 here. The main gate through which the vehicles enter to this
- 3 point.
- To this point. Would you gentlemen accept a distance of
- 10:46:05 5 about 200 metres, or not up to that?
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: From the entrance? 6
 - MR MARGAI: The main entrance to this building.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: 200 metres, no.
 - JUDGE ITOE: It is much more than that.
- 10:46:20 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Much more.
 - 11 JUDGE ITOE: Much more than that.
 - 12 MR MARGAI: I'm not mathematically inclined, that's why I
 - 13 was asking --
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Neither am I. 14
- 10:46:28 15 JUDGE ITOE: I'm not either.
 - 16 MR MARGAI: As My Lord pleases. What would Your
 - 17 Lordships suggest?
 - 18 JUDGE ITOE: I agree with your colleagues there.
 - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: It would be certainly be the double of
- 10:46:37 20 that.
 - MR MARGAI: Double? 21
 - 22 JUDGE THOMPSON: Roger Bannister would have done it more
 - 23 than that.
 - MR MARGAI: 400? 24
- 10:46:42 25 JUDGE THOMPSON: 400, yes, 400 metres.
 - 26 MR MARGAI: We accept that, 400 metres, very well.
 - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: It's about 400 metres.
 - MR MARGAI: About 400 metres, I'm grateful. 28
 - 29 Q. Now, Madam Witness, after Chief Norman arrived, did he go

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- to the barri? 1
- 2 Α. Yes.
- 3 Q. And was he welcomed at the barri?
- Α. Yes, a large crowd.
- 10:47:24 5 0. And there was a large crowd at the barri?
 - 6 Α. Yes.
 - And these two policemen were still with Chief Norman in 7 Q.
 - their uniform? 8
 - 9 No. The police then followed him to the barri. They Α.
- 10:47:52 10 stopped where that thing was.
 - 11 Q. All right. But there was a large crowd at the barri?
 - 12 Α. Yes.
 - 13 Q. And the town chief of Gambia was present?
 - 14 No, he was not there. Α.
- 10:48:19 15 Are you saying he was not there, or are you saying you did Q.
 - not see him there? Which is which? 16
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: No, you asked her whether he was present. 17
 - MR MARGAI: Yes, My Lord. 18
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: She said he was not there. 19
- 10:48:32 20 MR MARGAI: I'm now asking her whether she's saying that he
 - was not there, or she did not see him there. They are not 21
 - synonymous. I want to be sure. 22
 - 23 THE WITNESS: At that time, there was a large crowd. I
 - didn't see him. Even if he was there, I didn't see him. 24
- 10:48:51 25 MR BANGURA: Just to be fair to the witness, there was a
 - 26 specific question which elicited a specific answer.
 - 27 JUDGE THOMPSON: But required clarification.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: It's quite proper in cross-examination to 28
 - 29 ask these questions. What's your objection?

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- MR BANGURA: Your Honours, it's a bit confusing for the 1
- 2 witness.
- JUDGE THOMPSON: No, I think --3
- MR BANGURA: Did you see this person there? She said, no,
- 10:49:13 5 I did not see this person there. She said that she did not see
 - 6 this person there.
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: No, it wasn't in that sequence. The 7
 - 8 sequence was was he present, and then when the answer came he was
 - 9 not there, so counsel sought clarification and, of course, I
- 10:49:31 10 interposed.
 - 11 MR MARGAI: In fact, the witness has clarified the issue,
 - 12 the crowd was so large that --
 - 13 JUDGE THOMPSON: I take your point. The Prosecution is not
 - 14 prejudiced.
- 10:49:40 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Margai, if I may, because you have
 - 16 this tendency now to speak when the witness is giving an answer
 - 17 and I'm getting confused because I'm missing half of what the
 - 18 witness is saying.
 - 19 MR MARGAI: I'm guided by the interpreter. I'm sorry, I
- 10:49:55 20 shall wait much longer.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: You may understand what is being said, 21
 - MR MARGAI: I'm sorry, My Lord. 22
 - 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: Normally you don't but you seem to be
 - 24 doing that this morning.
- 10:50:03 25 MR MARGAI: I listen to the interpretation and after that I
 - 26 come in, but I shall extend the time.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: It's just that it's very difficult. 27
 - MR MARGAI: I appreciate that. 28
 - 29 Q. Now, could you answer the question again? You said the

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- 1 crowd was so large that -- that what?
- 2 Α. When he asked me if the Chief was present when that
- 3 happened, I said I didn't see him because there was a large
- crowd. I couldn't have been able to see the Chief. That's what
- 10:50:36 5 T said.
 - 6 Q. So it is possible that he could have been there, but not
 - 7 seen by you?
 - 8 JUDGE ITOE: There again, there again.
 - 9 PRESIDING JUDGE: You're getting argumentative. She has
- 10:50:51 10 answered.
 - 11 MR BANGURA: Your Honours would now see why I object.
 - 12 JUDGE ITOE: [Overlapping speakers]
 - 13 MR BANGURA: It's a matter of inference.
 - JUDGE ITOE: This is it. 14
- 10:51:03 15 MR MARGAI: As My Lord pleases.
 - 16 JUDGE THOMPSON: Counsel, give your colleague a little
 - uninterrupted run. I mean, there is no danger here, as I can 17
 - 18 see. It's just a question of, as you say, wanting clarity and
 - 19 precision, right?
- 10:51:22 20 MR BANGURA: I take your point, Your Honour.
 - THE WITNESS: I want to put myself at ease. 21
 - MR BANGURA: When this kind of --22
 - JUDGE ITOE: She said what? 23
 - MR MARGAI: She wants to put herself at ease. 24
- 10:51:36 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: We will wait for five minutes to allow
 - 26 the witness to proceed.
 - 27 [Break taken at 10.50 a.m.]
 - [On resuming at 11.01 a.m.] 28
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, Mr Margai.

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- 1 MR MARGAI:
- 2 Q. Now, Madam Witness, were you in the barri when Chief Norman
- 3 got there?
- Α. Yes.
- 11:03:56 5 Q. How big is the barri, taking the circumference of this
 - room? How big is the barri? Is it as big as this room? 6
 - 7 Α. No. It is as not as large and it is not that small.
 - Is it about half the size of this room? 8 Q.
 - 9 Yes. Α.
- 11:04:31 10 Could you speak up, please? Q.
 - 11 Α. Yes.
 - 12 Q. Whilst Chief Norman was in the barri, was the barri full to
 - 13 capacity?
 - The inside of the barri was not that full. Those who had 14 Α.
- 11:04:56 15 died were lying down there, but the people surrounded it.
 - 16 Q. Thank you. Madam, I'm putting it to you that Chief Norman
 - never went to Gambia in 1998; the whole of 1998, he never went 17
 - 18 there.
 - 19 Α. He went there. What I saw is what I am saying.
- 11:05:34 20 Thank you. I further put it to you that in the whole of Q.
 - 1998, from start to end, Kondewa never went to Gambia. 21
 - 22 He was there. He was the initiator. What I saw is what Α.
 - I'm saying. I wouldn't tell lies. 23
 - I'm further putting it to you that by the end of 1998 24 Q.
- 11:06:35 25 Kondewa was not initiating because he had been sacked.
 - 26 Α. No. I wouldn't agree.
 - 27 Thank you. I further put it to you that your evidence Q.
 - 28 concerning the killing of those three pregnant women is a figment
 - 29 of your imagination; it never happened.

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- No, I did not just think about it. If I didn't see it I 1 Α.
- 2 wouldn't talk about it. I came here to say the truth. When I
- 3 came here, I took an oath. I didn't just think about it, I saw
- it first.
- 11:08:17 5 Q. I'm putting it to you, Madam Witness, that the evidence
 - 6 relating to the cassava incident is not true; it never happened.
 - 7 No, no, it happened. It's true. You know, I wouldn't Α.
 - mind -- I'm angry. I'm telling the truth. If it didn't happen, 8
 - I wouldn't talk about it.
- 11:09:22 10 MR MARGAI: My Lords, so as not to disclose the identity of
 - 11 this lady, I wish to pass this piece of paper over to her to
 - 12 identify the name written on it.
 - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: On that piece of paper, there's a name?
 - 14 MR MARGAI: There's a name written on it.
- 11:09:45 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: You will have to try to assess with the
 - 16 witness if she can read this.
 - MR MARGAI: She went up to Form 1. I take it that --17
 - THE WITNESS: I went to Form 1, but I didn't tell you I can 18
 - 19 read and write.
- 11:10:06 20 JUDGE THOMPSON: Do you agree those presumptions are not
 - always correct? 21
 - 22 MR MARGAI: I agree, My Lord.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Presumably, Mr Margai, that question is 23
 - written in English? 24
- 11:10:32 25 MR MARGAI: It is, very simple English.
 - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: And if she cannot, she cannot.
 - 27 MR MARGAI: [Microphone not activated]
 - THE INTERPRETER: Mr Margai, your microphone is not on. 28
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Show it to her, if she can read it. As I

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- 1 said to you, maybe she can't.
- 2 MR MARGAI: Well, she probably will surprise us positively.
- 3 Q. Please look at that document. Do you recognise the name?
- Look at the document, please?
- 11:11:23 5 [Document shown to witness]
 - 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: Can you read, Madam Witness, what is on
 - that piece of paper? 7
 - 8 THE WITNESS: No.
 - 9 MR MARGAI: Could she be aided by counsel from both sides,
- 11:11:33 10 please?
 - 11 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, that's why I was saying to you maybe
 - she could not and therefore --12
 - 13 MR MARGAI: Well, I did not want to assume.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I didn't want to assume that she could 14
- 11:11:44 15 either.
 - 16 JUDGE THOMPSON: You have a rebuttal to your presumption.
 - 17 [Document shown to witness]
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Margai? 18
 - 19 MR MARGAI: Yes, My Lords.
- 11:14:36 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: You are asking that this document with a
 - question and the answer -- in fact, I see there's more, there are 21
 - 22 two questions and two answers on it. Do you want that to be
 - 23 marked --
 - MR MARGAI: Yes, after putting those questions to her and 24
- 11:14:49 25 depending on her answers, then I shall apply for that document to
 - 26 be admitted.
 - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: This document containing two questions
 - and two answers from the witness is marked as exhibit 93. 28
 - 29 [Exhibit No. 93 was admitted]

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- JUDGE THOMPSON: Are we pre-empting? 1
- 2 MR MARGAI: I think so.
- 3 JUDGE THOMPSON: Well, you did say you wanted to put the
- questions.
- 11:16:00 5 MR MARGAI: I wanted to put the questions to her and then
 - after her answer, I will then seek leave to have that document 6
 - tendered as an exhibit.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I'm not sure I follow you. You want to 8
 - 9 put the question orally to the witness now?
- 11:16:13 10 MR MARGAI: Without disclosing the name.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I see. So you will stop after "call"? 11
 - MR MARGAI: Yes, I will. 12
 - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: That's fine.
 - 14 JUDGE THOMPSON: Counsel, you were about to stand.
- 11:16:38 15 MR BANGURA: Not really, Your Honour. I'm still pondering.
 - 16 MR MARGAI:
 - 17 Q. Now, you made mention in your testimony of an uncle in
 - 18 whose eyes were poured liquid from a lighted candle; did you not?
 - 19 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I believe the evidence is not
- 11:16:59 20 candles.
 - JUDGE ITOE: It is not candles. 21
 - 22 PRESIDING JUDGE: It was plastic.
 - 23 MR MARGAI: Very well.
 - From plastic, did you not? 24 Q.
- 11:17:12 25 Α. Yes.
 - 26 Could you speak up, please, madam. You gave that evidence, Q.
 - 27 did you?
 - [Witness nods] 28 Α.
 - 29 Could you speak up? Q.

- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. Is the name of that uncle that written on that paper?
- 3 Α. Yes.
- Q. Thank you.
- 11:17:56 5 MR MARGAI: I now seek Your Lordships to tender that
 - document as an exhibit. 6
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: That is Exhibit 93. 7
 - MR MARGAI: Thank you. 8
 - JUDGE ITOE: That exhibit should be kept under seal,
- 11:18:22 10 please.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, yes. That exhibit will not be made 11
 - publicly available, it will be under seal so as not to disclose 12
 - 13 the identity of the witness.
 - MR MARGAI: 14
- 11:18:35 15 And that uncle lived at Gambia? Q.
 - 16 Α. Yes.
 - 17 Did he have a family? Q.
 - 18 Α. Yes.
 - A wife and children? 19 Q.
- 11:19:09 20 Α. Yes.
 - 21 And is that wife alive? Q.
 - 22 Α. Yes.
 - 23 And living in Gambia? Q.
 - 24 Α. Yes.
- 11:19:35 25 How many children? Q.
 - Two of them. 26 Α.
 - 27 A boy and a girl? Q.
 - 28 Α. Yes.
 - 29 And they're living with their mother in Gambia? Q.

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- 2 Q. Madam, I'm putting it to you that that uncle whose name
- 3 appears on that exhibit is very much alive in Gambia.
- He's not alive at all. He's not alive at all. I wouldn't Α.
- 11:20:21 5 tell lies. What I saw is what happened. I'm very hard-hearted.
 - 6 I wouldn't even cry.
 - 7 MR MARGAI: That would be all for this witness, My Lord.
 - 8 Q. Thank you very much, Madam Witness.
 - 9 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Margai. Mr Prosecutor, any
- 11:20:46 10 re-examination?
 - 11 MR BANGURA: No re-examination for the witness, Your
 - 12 Honours.
 - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. We thank you very much, Madam
 - 14 Witness, for having taken the time to come here to give us your
- 11:21:03 15 evidence on these incidents. We thank you very much. That
 - 16 concludes your evidence and you can go back at this moment.
 - Mr Prosecutor, you will deal with your next witness. 17
 - 18 THE WITNESS: You've made me think about my uncle. Come
 - 19 and get me out of here, quickly, so I wouldn't cry.
- 11:21:43 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: Please go and assist the witness.
 - [The witness withdrew] 21
 - 22 MR TAVENER: To answer your question, Your Honour, the next
 - witness will be TF2-189. I would remind Your Honours the next 23
 - witness after that is TF2-135, about which there is an 24
- 11:22:50 25 application about the nature of her evidence. As raised by the
 - 26 Defence counsel yesterday, I have now before me the motion to
 - 27 exclude the testimony of TF2-218. We're also seeking that person
 - to give evidence in closed session. That's the international 28
 - 29 witness who is due to fly in on Sunday. We're hoping for a

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- 1 decision by Friday whether or not he should get on the plane.
- 2 There is also the application for a closed court --
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: When you say Friday, you don't mean
- Friday tomorrow, you mean Friday next week?
- MR TAVENER: No, I mean Friday tomorrow. This application, 11:23:27 5
 - 6 we just received it this morning. As mentioned by my friends
 - 7 yesterday afternoon, this witness is due to testify on the 7th.
 - That was disclosed -- the actual date of his giving evidence was 8
 - 9 disclosed last week, but as we've just received the application,
- 11:23:46 10 it makes it difficult for both the Prosecution and the Court to
 - 11 respond in adequate time, otherwise this person will be getting
 - 12 on the plane, that's correct. I merely mention that as -- that's
 - 13 the manner in which my friends have chosen to proceed, so we have
 - 14 to respond.
- 11:24:03 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: This is an application made by counsel
 - 16 for the first accused?
 - MR TAVENER: That's correct. 17
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: And it has to do with the evidence you're 18
 - 19 calling from TF2-218?
- 11:24:19 20 MR TAVENER: Yes, that's correct, both excluding his
 - testimony, I take it, and I haven't read it in detail, and 21
 - opposing the closed session. They're obviously interrelated. 22
 - 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: I haven't seen it either. The
 - application is to oppose the evidence in closed session? 24
- 11:24:34 25 MR YILLAH: The application is to disqualify that witness
 - from testifying for the reasons set out in that application. 26
 - 27 JUDGE THOMPSON: Can we have the pseudonym of the witness
 - 28 again?
 - 29 MR TAVENER: TF2-218?

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not be evidence, Mr Tavener?

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1 JUDGE THOMPSON: To disqualify? 2 MR TAVENER: To exclude the testimony of that witness. Included in that will be an application to have that witness, 3 should he be allowed to testify, to testify in closed Court. 11:25:11 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Your plan was to call that witness next week on the 7th? 6 MR TAVENER: That's correct. Again, he is a witness who 7 has a certain timetable and he's flying in on Sunday. 8 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. 11:25:29 10 MR TAVENER: The other application I mentioned yesterday was in respect of TF2-011. That is simply a closed court 11 12 application. I don't expect too much opposition for that 13 application. I'm probably going to be wrong. Then there is the 14 question of TF2-135, who is testifying about sexual offences in a 11:25:48 15 particular form. 16 JUDGE THOMPSON: What's the problem about that last witness, TF2-135? 17 MR TAVENER: TF2-135, in a nutshell --18 19 JUDGE THOMPSON: Is there an application pending? 11:26:04 20 MR TAVENER: No, in light of Your Honours' decisions I thought I would raise this matter. That witness will be 21 22 testifying about a complaint she made to the second accused. 23 That complaint is a detailed recitation of sexual offences committed against her. And the Prosecution would then also seek 24 11:26:26 25 to lead the response of the second accused to that complaint. We 26 say it goes to, amongst other things, individual criminal 27 responsibility. 28 JUDGE ITOE: When you treat it as a complaint, will that

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- 1 MR TAVENER: I'm happy to start the application now, Your
- 2 Honour.
- 3 JUDGE ITOE: No, it's not a question of starting, I am just
- 4 putting the question to you. You are dragging the Court in and
- 11:26:50 5 out of this process. I think there must be an end to litigation.
 - 6 There must be an end to litigation, and I think the Chamber has
 - 7 been very, very clear on this issue. We do not want to keep
 - 8 revisiting and revisiting an issue which should be laid to rest.
 - 9 MR TAVENER: We're not leading it to prove the rapes
- 11:27:10 10 themselves --
 - 11 JUDGE ITOE: It's the same argument.
 - 12 MR TAVENER: With the greatest respect, it's not the same
 - 13 argument. We're not leading it to prove the fact of the rape, we
 - 14 are leading it to prove that a complaint about particular
- 11:27:23 15 unlawful activities were made directly to a second accused, which
 - 16 goes to his knowledge, and his response goes directly to section
 - 6.3. That's why we're leading it, not for the sake to prove the 17
 - 18 actual events. That's why I believe an application has to be
 - 19 made.
- 11:27:42 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: But this is the matter that you had said
 - yesterday that you were to reassess about that witness given the 21
 - ruling of the Court yesterday? 22
 - 23 MR TAVENER: That's correct.
 - 24 PRESIDING JUDGE: And so you have reassessed and you have
- 11:27:57 25 decided to come and try it again, if I can put it in these terms.
 - 26 MR TAVENER: We're not trying again, we're going to a
 - 27 completely new area.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Well, I would like to understand how it 28
 - 29 is different than the situation we had yesterday, because the

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- situation we dealt with yesterday, at least in the premise of 1
- 2 that application yesterday, I see on the face of it absolutely no
- 3 difference between what you are raising today and what you
- 4 disclosed yesterday.
- 11:28:30 5 MR TAVENER: I will be very brief, Your Honour. The
 - Prosecution accepts the Court's decisions have the cumulative 6
 - 7 effect that the evidence of sexual matters, gender crimes, is not
 - permitted under any circumstances. The evidence cannot be 8
 - 9 adduced to establish any offences standing on the indictment, nor
- 11:28:44 10 can it be led as evidence of uncharged acts to establish such
 - 11 things as preliminary matters or to place events in context.
 - 12 [HN020605C-JM]
 - 13 The evidence of -- the evidence of Witness TF2-135 is in a
 - 14 different category.
- 11:29:02 15 [Trial Chamber confers]
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Are you making your application now? 16
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Because if you are, I need to follow you 17
 - 18 as carefully as I can.
 - 19 MR TAVENER: Thank you.
- 11:29:11 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: And if that is the case, too, I would ask
 - you to start right from the beginning and take your time. 21
 - 22 MR TAVENER: Thank you.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: We need to -- as you understand our 23
 - position, we want to know what is the difference, if any, between 24
- 11:29:27 25 that scenario, that factual scenario, and what we disposed of
 - 26 yesterday.
 - 27 JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes, consistent with that, though I don't
 - want to be too pre-emptive, if there's any new material that, as 28
 - 29 a result of your researches that you want to put to the Court, I

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- mean, I'm prepared to listen. But at the same time, not being 1
- 2 judicially oblivious of a decision that we have given and which
- 3 may well touch and concern this particular application.
- 4 MR TAVENER: Perhaps then I put the Prosecution's
- understanding of the totality or cumulative effect of 11:30:10 5
 - Your Honours' decisions, that is that no evidence of sexual 6
 - 7 matters can be led, and that is no sexual evidence can be led
 - 8 which could then be allocated against any charges currently
 - 9 standing on the cumulative -- on the consolidated indictment.
- 11:30:32 10 The decision --
 - 11 MR JABBI: My Lords. My Lords, I'm sorry to interject at
 - 12 this moment. I would not at all want to propose how the
 - 13 Prosecution handle those matters that they want to bring to the
 - Court but My Lord, the Prosecution just said that there was need 14
- 11:30:57 15 to take a decision on the question of TF2-218 giving evidence.
 - 16 In view of the certain application that has been filed by counsel
 - for the first accused, and I think Prosecution was also 17
 - requesting that a decision was due or should at least be reached 18
 - 19 on that -- by Friday, that is tomorrow. I just want to ask
- 11:31:36 20 Prosecution to consider the priority of urgency of these two
 - issues in terms of the decisions that have to be taken because I 21
 - 22 wonder how much time the Court is going to have to deal with the
 - 23 218 application if, indeed, the Court has also to go into the
 - 24 motion, as it were, that the Prosecution is commencing to make
- 11:31:59 25 now.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I am at a bit of a loss to understand 26
 - your comments at this time. The Prosecution has stated that they 27
 - 28 have received a copy of your motion. We've just been given a
 - 29 copy of it and I see from the front of that document that it was

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- filed this morning at 9.18 a.m. At least we have to give the 1
- 2 Prosecution the time to read that motion that you have filed, and
- 3 it would not be appropriate to ask them to address that now. I
- 4 mean, how can they do that when it was filed while they were in
- 11:32:37 5 Court?
 - 6 MR JABBI: My Lord --
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I understand it is an urgent motion. At 7
 - this stage, my understanding is there is this outstanding issue 8
 - 9 about TF2-218 as a result of the motion that you have filed on
- 11:32:52 10 behalf of the first accused, but there's also an issue about
 - TF2-135 which is the next witness that the Prosecution intended 11
 - 12 to call. 218, my understanding, is that it's the intent of the
 - 13 Prosecution to call that witness on the 7th of June, if I'm not
 - 14 mistaken. Yes, it's getting to be fairly tight as far as the
- 11:33:18 15 schedule is concerned.
 - 16 MR JABBI: Maybe, I don't know, Prosecution might perhaps
 - have preferred to seek that the motion in respect of TF2-218 be 17
 - 18 treated as an oral motion and treated immediately. Because
 - 19 certainly if the plans of the travel of TF2-218 have to be
- 11:33:41 20 reconsidered, then as he suggested a decision should be available
 - by tomorrow, and maybe oral process might settle that. 21
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Well --22
 - MR JABBI: I just want to bring it up so it is considered 23
 - 24 at any rate.
- 11:33:56 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. So you may proceed with your
 - 26 application on TF2-135.
 - 27 MR TAVENER: Thank you. Just mention briefly, in respect
 - to TF2-218, if we're allowed perhaps a lunch break to read the 28
 - 29 application we'll be prepared by the afternoon.

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	1	In regards to TF2-135, it is the Prosecution's
	2	understanding of the Court's decision that evidence cannot be led
	3	in respect of sexual offences against any current counts standing
	4	on the consolidated indictment. At the same time, evidence can't
11:34:30	5	be led of uncharged acts, which we would see gender crimes as now
	6	being, for the purposes of explaining preliminary matters or
	7	placing charged acts in context. So we understand virtually no
	8	evidence of those types of offences can be led. We would submit,
	9	however, that the evidence of TF2-135 is in a different category.
11:34:53	10	As I've mentioned, that witness will recount a complaint
	11	she made directly to the second accused about the unlawful sexual
	12	activities of the Kamajors in particular against her, and his
	13	response to that complaint. That complaint provides some detail
	14	of sexual offences.
11:35:14	15	The Prosecution is not seeking to lead the evidence to
	16	prove the charge of rape or a series of rapes; rather, the detail
	17	is necessary of those sexual activities in order to assess what
	18	the second accused was told and his response. The crime of rape
	19	may not be in the present indictment, but it's still an unlawful
11:35:37	20	act under Article 2 of the Statute. The evidence is being led to
	21	establish the accused's control, his knowledge, and his response.
	22	The accused was spoken to because of his position within the
	23	Kamajors. The Kamajors were under his control, and the
	24	particular groups the witness will speak about were under his
11:36:01	25	control. His actual knowledge is important, and that's why the
	26	details are important, and his response is important.
	27	The Defence case, if not yet stated explicitly is that the
	28	accused did not know of bad behaviour of Kamajors, and that
	29	hrings us to Section 6.3 criminal responsibility of a superior

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- The Prosecution is seeking to establish the superior-subordinate 1
- 2 relationship. In this case, the witness went to the accused
- 3 because of his position as the director of war; so his position,
- 4 his ability to affect what Kamajors did. The Prosecution is also
- 11:36:39 5 seeking to establish the superior knew of offences committed.
 - Therefore, it's important that the witness be allowed to tell, 6
 - with detail, what she told the second accused because there must 7
 - be no ambiguity as to what he knew. His knowledge is one of the 8
 - 9 crucial elements, and from his knowledge what he did.
- 11:37:00 10 The Prosecution is also seeking to establish that he failed
 - 11 to take necessary and reasonable measures to prevent the crime or
 - 12 to punish perpetrators. Again, detail is necessary. We then had
 - 13 the response of the second accused which the witness will
 - 14 recount, which we say indicates his knowledge of other offences
- 11:37:18 15 and unlawful activities of Kamajors.
 - 16 The witness has also been cross-examined a number of times
 - during the course of this trial as to why they did not report his 17
 - activities to police or to senior Kamajors. And amongst other 18
 - 19 things, the answer provided by the second accused or his response
- 11:37:39 20 by the -- his response to the complainant we would say indicates
 - why complainants or other people did not take the effort to 21
 - complain to senior Kamajors. Again, I would emphasise, we 22
 - differentiate the evidence to be led from the evidence Your 23
 - Honours have been quite clear about cannot be led, that is, 24
- 11:38:04 25 evidence about sexual offences cannot be led. We're now seeking
 - 26 to lead this not as evidence of sexual offences but of evidence
 - 27 of control, knowledge, and response of the accused. The only
 - 28 reason the detail is given, the detail of complaint is given, is
 - 29 so that the Court has a clear understanding of the knowledge that

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- 1 the second accused was given by the complainant and his response.
- 2 So it doesn't go to proving the offences took place; it goes to
- 3 proving the other matters as I've mentioned that fall under 6.3.
- 4 This evidence, in effect, is not only against the second accused
- 11:38:46 5 but is equally applicable against the other accused.
 - So that's the basis on which the -- this witness will be 6
 - 7 called. Her evidence is, in effect, that complaint that she
 - makes which will recite those alleged sexual offences. 8
 - Thank you.
- 11:39:42 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Tavener.
 - 11 MR YILLAH: Yes, My Lord. Briefly in response to what my
 - 12 learned friend has applied for, I would oppose his application
 - 13 for the following reasons. One, again, that the evidence he is
 - seeking to lead before this Court is outside the scope of the 14
- 11:39:42 15 indictment. Because, my My Lord, the act that is complained of
 - 16 has to be a prohibited act within the framework of this
 - indictment. And in light of Your Lordship's decision. 17
 - 18 My Lord, I would suggest that the first angle that Your
 - 19 Lordships should look at is the nature of the act. In light of
- 11:40:10 20 Your Lordships' decision and ruling yesterday, is that act a
 - prohibited act within the indictment that has been brought 21
 - against the accused persons? I would respectfully submit that in 22
 - light of Your Lordships' submission on the admissibility of 23
 - 24 evidence and your decision yesterday reechoing that evidence,
- 11:40:28 25 that act is not a prohibited act within the confines of this
 - 26 indictment, My Lord, and Your Lordships' decision. Therefore, I
 - 27 would move the argument to state therefore to say that if the act
 - 28 is not a prohibited act, then the proposal by the Prosecutor to
 - 29 say it would be evidence to show that the accused person had

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- knowledge or had reason to know, that would not apply, My Lord, 1
- 2 with the greatest respect, because the primary -- the foundation
- 3 for which that should be -- knowledge should be imputed has not
- been laid before the Court. The act in question, I contend, is 4
- 11:41:06 5 not a prohibited act in light of this indictment and
 - Your Lordships' decision. So therefore, even if a complaint is 6
 - 7 made in respect of a act that is not a prohibited act, the
 - accused person, if he did not act on that complaint does not 8
 - 9 constitute evidence before this Court as to imputing knowledge on
- 11:41:25 10 him or to show control. That would be my short response,
 - 11 My Lord.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Counsel for second accused. 12
 - 13 MR KOPPE: Your Honours, I think it's my opinion that your
 - ruling on admitting any evidence on sexual violence has been 14
- 11:41:45 15 quite clear. It now seems to me that the Prosecutor is trying to
 - 16 get this evidence in through the back door. We will, in his
 - opinion, be speaking about all kinds of details in respect of 17
 - alleged committed sexual crimes. It is my opinion that that 18
 - 19 would go contrary to the very substance of your decision.
- 11:42:13 20 Furthermore, it would seem to be very strange that we will
 - then at one point have to evaluate possible actions or behaviour 21
 - of the second accused in respect of an act which we can actually 22
 - 23 really go into detail about, or an act that, strictly legally
 - speaking, hasn't happened or cannot be led in evidence. 24
- 11:42:44 25 So we now will go into a position to evaluate the actions
 - 26 made by the second accused on an alleged filed report, and this
 - 27 report is -- has been done in respect of an act that we
 - 28 cannot -- we cannot really bring into evidence. We cannot
 - 29 discuss it. We have to treat it in such a matter as that it

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- didn't happen. So how to truly evaluate any actions of the 1
- 2 second accused in respect of this report? So it's -- we would
- 3 end in a very peculiar situation that, on the one hand, the
- 4 contents of such a report are not to be discussed, but we do end
- 11:43:36 5 up discussing the behaviour or the actions following this
 - 6 allegedly filed report.
 - So I have no clear vision on how to proceed in such a way. 7
 - So actually, it is my opinion that there is no difference between 8
 - 9 the example that was presented yesterday by the
- 11:44:06 10 allegedly -- alleged abortion followed by the sexual violence,
 - 11 and this not treating properly the filed report after the
 - 12 allegedly committed sexual violence, I cannot make that
 - 13 distinction. So it is my opinion that this witness cannot be
 - 14 questioned on anything related to possible allegedly happened
- 11:44:33 15 sexual acts.

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- 16 The same goes, then, of course, for any actions committed
- by my client in respect of this allegedly filed report. So that 17
- 18 would be my opinion, Your Honour.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Counsel for third accused.
- 11:45:00 20 MR WILLIAMS: My Lords, we would want to adopt the lines
 - taken by counsel for the first and second and to reecho our 21
 - arguments of the 31st, My Lord, but to also add, My Lord, as 22
 - indicated on the 31st where I was relying on two principles of 23
 - law, res judicata and issue estoppel and where I now add a third
 - 26 decided on this and Your Lordships are functus on this matter.
 - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: I'm not sure we have decided on that. We

principle, My Lord, that of functus officio. Your Lordships have

- have spoken about that. 28
- 29 MR WILLIAMS: Your ruling, My Lord, on the admissibility of

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- 1 evidence, My Lords.
- 2 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, but you're talking about res
- 3 judicata. Estoppel is something we did discuss in some decisions
- about functus officio, but --
- 11:46:02 5 MR WILLIAMS: I'm sorry, My Lord.
 - 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: We have discussed in one decision about
 - 7 functus officio, but I do not recall that was a majority decision
 - on that --8
 - 9 MR WILLIAMS: What I'm saying, I'm not relying on that
- 11:46:16 10 ruling. I'm saying that the principle of functus applies in this
 - 11 particular case. Your Lordships have decided on an issue, and
 - 12 there is finality. Unless, it's only left to the Court of our
 - 13 jurisdiction now to overturn that ruling, not Your Lordships.
 - 14 MR TAVENER: I'll be brief, Your Honour. This evidence is
- 11:46:39 15 not led to prove the offence of rape or sexual offences. It's
 - 16 led to prove matters that primarily go to Section 6.3. An
 - offence does not have to be on the indictment to be a prohibited 17
 - act. Rape is a prohibited act whether or not it is on the 18
 - 19 indictment. It only means -- the fact that it's not on the
- 11:47:01 20 indictment only means the accused cannot be convicted of it.
 - That's all it means. It's still there, it's still an offence. 21
 - Therefore, when you come to look at the evidence that the 22
 - complainant will provide, that the witness will provide, you 23
 - don't have to evaluate whether the act occurred or not. What 24
- 11:47:18 25 you're looking at and the purpose of the evidence is to look at
 - 26 what the witness told the accused, therefore his knowledge, how
 - 27 he responded, his position of control and so on. All very
 - relevant matters. Whether or not the act committed was committed 28
 - 29 is not the fact in issue. And I accept my friend can change his

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- view in the course of a night having reviewed the matter. 1
- 2 Certainly, in no way is this a case of res judicata, issue
- 3 estoppel, and Your Honours are certainly not functus in this
- 4 matter. It's an ongoing trial, and this particular matter is one
- 11:47:54 5 in which the Prosecution says is separate from the other
 - considerations of whether or not evidence involving sexual 6
 - offences can be adduced. This is simply a matter of a complaint 7
 - 8 being made to an accused and his response which goes directly to
 - 9 6.3, individual criminal responsibility. Thank you.
- 11:48:19 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you.
 - 11 JUDGE THOMPSON: Mr Prosecutor, the more you make your
 - 12 submissions, the more I get the impression, at least
 - 13 preliminarily and hopefully perhaps tentatively, that you are
 - really inviting the Chamber to embark upon some kind of judicial 14
- 11:48:42 15 adventurism here, applying some judicial, as we said in our
 - 16 ruling yesterday, doctrine of severability. In other words,
 - you're saying that the evidence that you propose to lead will go 17
 - to or is intended to prove a state of mind. Is that it? 18
 - 19 MR TAVENER: Not a state of mind. It proves knowledge.
- 11:49:12 20 JUDGE THOMPSON: It proves knowledge, right. But we're in
 - the realm of basic criminal liability, actus reus plus mens rea 21
 - equals criminal liability. 22
 - 23 MR TAVENER: Yes.
 - 24 JUDGE THOMPSON: So you are suggesting that this evidence
- 11:49:27 25 is intended to create a kind of legally limping situation where
 - 26 it goes to prove one element, and remember, knowledge is part of
 - 27 mens rea, but does not actually touch the actus reus part. So
 - 28 what's the purpose there? Having regard to the basic principle
 - 29 of criminal liability, whether at the international level or

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- 1 national criminal law systems, that you cannot establish criminal
- 2 liability without the actus reus on the one hand plus
- 3 criminal -- plus mens rea. In other words, knowledge cannot be
- seen outside the context of the mental element of crime. So 4
- 11:50:09 5 you're inviting us to enter, as I said before, upon some kind of
 - 6 judicial adventurism and virtually going to the very root of
 - 7 criminal liability. And perhaps try to persuade me away from
 - that kind of thinking. 8
 - 9 MR TAVENER: I'll have to try, Your Honour, because I don't
- 11:50:34 10 quite agree with what Your Honour's saying. What I would submit
 - 11 is that actus reus and mens rea go towards establishing an
 - 12 offence, as in the offence of unlawful killing.
 - 13 JUDGE THOMPSON: But you agree it's fundamental to
 - centimetre liability, whether at the international level or at 14
- 11:50:53 15 the national level.
 - 16 MR TAVENER: That we agree on, Your Honour. That's right.
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes. 17
 - MR TAVENER: But then we move on to establishing 6.3, 18
 - individual criminal responsibility, and we say that this evidence 19
- 11:51:06 20 goes to that particular aspect, it doesn't towards proving the
 - crime, it doesn't go towards proving the offence of unlawful 21
 - killing or in this case, sexual offence; we're not trying to 22
 - prove a sexual offence occurred. What we're saying is this 23
 - evidence falls -- comes under establishing 6.3, what did the 24
- 11:51:25 25 accused person know? The criminal --
 - 26 JUDGE THOMPSON: In other words, his state of mind at that
 - 27 particular time.
 - MR TAVENER: But not about a particular offence. We have 28
 - 29 to establish, the Prosecution must establish in order to show the

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criminal responsibility of the second accused and the other 1 2 accused what they knew and whether they failed to take necessary 3 and reasonable measures. Now, when I --JUDGE THOMPSON: In respect of what? 11:51:48 5 MR TAVENER: In respect of responding to the criminal 6 activities, the unlawful activities of Kamajors. It does not 7 have to relate to an offence on the indictment; that is our submission. Here, I don't think -- although it has been 8 9 suggested, I don't believe you could say that rape is not an 11:52:04 10 unlawful offence. It's recognised under the statute. So that 11 aside, it doesn't have to be on the indictment. What we're 12 saying is the accused man was told of an unlawful act or series 13 of acts by persons under his control. Then we look at what did he do to take necessary and reasonable measures in respect of 14 11:52:23 15 what he was told. We say that's contained in the response he 16 gave the witness, in effect, "it's happened to all the other women. Don't worry about it." So we say that's why the evidence 17 relates to 6.3, not a particular count on the indictment. So 18 19 therefore, I don't disagree in terms of actus reus and mens rea, 11:52:48 20 but they relate to a charge standing on the indictment. This relates to 6.3, criminal responsibility. 21 And that's why it's so important to know the details 22 because unless we know the details of what he was told, the Court 23 may not be able to be satisfied of what he was told. If he's 24 11:53:09 25 only told briefly about something, he may not have responded. We 26 say, in our submission, through the witness, he was given quite detailed explanation of what had happened to her, so there's his 27 28 knowledge. And we look at under 6.3, what did he do to stop it, 29 to interfere, to take the necessary and reasonable steps to

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- prevent these things happening or to punish the perpetrators. 1
- 2 And that's where it is separate. If it related to a charge on
- 3 the indictment, I accept Your Honours' ruling and the ruling of
- the Court, it would not be admissible. Your Honours have made 4
- 11:53:42 5 that quite clear. This goes to 6.3 and that's why we're not
 - leading it as to a fact. We're not leading to the fact the 6
 - offences occurred, merely the complaint was made in some detail 7
 - 8 and the accused's particular response to that. And that's why
 - 9 actus reus and mens rea are not applicable in this particular
- 11:54:02 10 circumstance.
 - 11 JUDGE THOMPSON: How do you answer to the criticism of the
 - 12 Appeal Chamber that these indictments are of a peculiar nature,
 - 13 that they seem to create some difficulties in terms of the
 - 14 standard form of indictment, and perhaps this kind of situation
- 11:54:21 15 that you are asking us to look at and see whether we can rule in
 - 16 your favour may well be as a result of the peculiarly and
 - intensely technical nature of this type of indictment. 17
 - 18 MR TAVENER: The indictment per se doesn't impact on my
 - 19 argument or the submission at this time.
- 11:54:42 20 JUDGE THOMPSON: Yes.
 - MR TAVENER: It's purely about an evidentiary issue. Is 21
 - the Prosecution allowed to lead evidence that indicates the 22
 - 23 knowledge of a particular accused about unlawful acts of persons
 - we say under his control and what he did about it. 24
- 11:54:57 25 JUDGE THOMPSON: But 6.3 is implicated in the indictment.
 - 26 MR TAVENER: But the criticism Your Honour is raising about
 - 27 the --
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Is the Appeal Chamber not -- I've not 28
 - 29 stated my own position on that.

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- MR YILLAH: May it please, My Lords, sorry to intervene, 1
- 2 but before we get past this stage I think I have to intervene
- 3 because I believe that the law has not been properly stated, and
- I have a duty -- because my learned friend was making a 4
- 11:55:28 5 submission just now.
 - JUDGE ITOE: Mr Yillah, please, why don't you allow your 6
 - learned friend to conclude his arguments before you step in. 7
 - MR YILLAH: As My Lord pleases. 8
 - JUDGE THOMPSON: Counsel, I think you've responded to my
- own queries, and I will say nothing further at this stage. 11:55:44 10
 - 11 MR TAVENER: Thank you.
 - 12 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Tavener.
 - 13 MR YILLAH: Yes, My Lord. I think that my learned friend
 - 14 has not properly stated the law in answer to a question posed by
- 11:56:03 15 the Honourable Justice Thompson. My Lord, knowledge under 6.3, I
 - 16 submit, is an element to prove command responsibility. First of
 - all, the subordinates must have committed the prohibited act, the 17
 - 18 act in question must have been a prohibited act. And under 6.3,
 - 19 the superior is deemed to know or to have reason to know that the
- 11:56:28 20 subordinates committed that act. So to say that knowledge would
 - be separate and distinct from the act is in my view an erroneous 21
 - 22 statement of the position of the law. That's what I wanted to
 - 23 put before Your Lordships.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: I'm not sure that's what was being said, 24
- 11:56:47 25 but I hear what you're saying.
 - 26 MR TAVENER: I won't continue the argument but that was in
 - 27 respect of actus reus and mens rea. It had nothing to do with
 - what my learned friend is now saying. 28
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: That's fine. We've heard arguments.

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1 Thank you. 2 MR YILLAH: As My Lord pleases. 3 [Trial Chamber confers] PRESIDING JUDGE: We will go and deliberate on this 11:58:27 5 particular matter, and we'll come back shortly. Thank you. [Break taken at 11.58 a.m.] 6 [On resuming at 12.45 p.m.] PRESIDING JUDGE: Honourable Justice Thompson will deliver 8 9 the decision of the Court. 10 JUDGE THOMPSON: This is a ruling on the Prosecution's 11 application: For the reasons articulated in our ruling delivered 12 on the 1st day of June 2005 in respect of the inadmissibility of 13 certain portions of the testimony of Witness TF2-187, we deny by a majority of two to one, the Honourable Justice Boutet, 14 15 Presiding Judge, dissenting, the Prosecution's application in the 16 interest of judicial consistency. PRESIDING JUDGE: Considering the Court decision of 17 yesterday as referred to by Honourable Justice Thompson about the 18 19 evidence the Prosecution intended to lead yesterday, considering 20 the application made today by the Prosecution about leading evidence that would deal with command responsibility, considering 21 that all three accused are charged in the indictment with command 22 responsibility under Article 6.3 of the Statute for acts of 23 24 subordinates, considering that Article 6.3 provides as follows, "the fact that any of the acts referred to Articles 2 to 4 of the 25 26 said Statute was committed by a subordinate does not relieve his 27 or her superior of criminal responsibility if he or she knew or had reason to know that the subordinate was about to commit such 28 29 acts or had done so and the superior failed to take the necessary

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- 1 and reasonable measures to prevent such acts or to punish the
- 2 perpetrators thereof," considering that the evidence that the
- 3 Prosecution intended to lead would tend to show knowledge of
- 4 actions or acts of subordinate and would not be led to prove the
- 5 acts allegedly committed by subordinates for -- to trying to
- 6 prove and establish offence per se, but the actions or lack
- thereof of the accused persons, and considering my previous 7
- 8 dissent in the decision just referred to, considering Rule 89(C)
- 9 and the relevance of such evidence with reference to the
- 10 indictment alleging command responsibility, I would therefore
- 11 have therefore allowed this evidence. But the majority decision
- 12 is that this evidence is not admissible. So that concludes the
- 13 decision of this Court with reference to the evidence you're
- 14 intending to call.
- 15 If that was the only evidence you were intending to call
- 16 with that witness, presumably, Mr Prosecutor, that concludes that
- issue. 17
- MR TAVENER: That's correct, Your Honour. It's 18
- 19 unlikely --
- 20 PRESIDING JUDGE: Before we break for lunch, I would ask to
- follow up on the comments made by one of the --21
- 22 JUDGE ITOE: Just a minute. Is Mr Tavener suggesting that
- 23 this witness does not have other grounds, you know, to call her,
- 24 which may be admissible?
- 25 MR TAVENER: No, Your Honour. She does not.
- JUDGE ITOE: Okay, thank you. 26
- 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: Coming back to the -- my comments were
- 28 directed to the urgent application, urgent motion filed by
- 29 counsel for the first accused this morning and that we briefly

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talked about earlier this morning. Can I ask the Prosecution if
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               they would be able to respond orally to this when we come back
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               after lunch or if it is putting too much pressure on you and upon
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               you? Bearing in mind, your own comments that this is a fairly
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               urgent matter because this witness is due to testify shortly.
                     MR TAVENER: The Prosecution will be in a position to
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               comment after lunch.
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                     PRESIDING JUDGE: You will be.
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                     MR TAVENER: Yes, please.
                     PRESIDING JUDGE: So --
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                                 [Trial Chamber confers]
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                     PRESIDING JUDGE: So given it's almost 1.00 p.m. at this
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               moment, we'll give you until 3.00 p.m. so you can look at that
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               motion and case law if any, and then we'll hear your response to
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               that orally and hopefully dispose of that this afternoon.
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                     MR TAVENER: Thank you.
                     PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you very much. The Court is
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               adjourned until 3.00 p.m. this afternoon.
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                                 [Luncheon recess taken at 12.53 p.m.]
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                                 [Upon resuming at 3.07 p.m.]
                     PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Prosecutor, we did adjourn the
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               proceedings this morning to this time in the afternoon to give
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               you some time to look at the motion that had been filed by the
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               first accused as to the exclusion of the testimony of one of the
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               witnesses you intend to call, TF2-218. Are you prepared to
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               address the Court on this matter?
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                     MR TAVENER: Yes, I am, Your Honour; thank you.
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PRESIDING JUDGE: Before you do, I note for the record that

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- this motion has been filed confidentially. I don't know if you 1
- 2 can address that without getting into difficulties because it is
- 3 confidential. So in this respect I am in your hands. I don't
- 4 want to put you in a scenario where you cannot argue the case
- because you need to get into some facts. 15:11:25 5
 - 6 MR TAVENER: Unfortunately it would appear that the only
 - way to argue this fully would be in closed session. I am 7
 - reluctant to ask for a closed session but because of the nature 8
 - 9 of the material in part of the submission by both the Prosecution
- 15:11:45 10 and the Defence it would appear to be that a closed session is
 - 11 appropriate.
 - 12 MR YILLAH: My Lord, I have no objection to that.
 - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Well, you heard my comments; your motion
 - 14 has been filed confidentially so presumably you did that for a
- 15:12:02 15 purpose that you have stated at the beginning of your -- in
 - 16 paragraph 5 of your motion.
 - MR YILLAH: Very well, My Lord. 17
 - 18 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is because you don't want that to be
 - 19 argued publically at this particular moment; that is my
- 15:12:16 20 understanding of your application.
 - MR YILLAH: Very well, My Lord. The person in respect of 21
 - whom this motion is filed is a protected witness. I would 22
 - 23 support the point about arguing the motion in closed session.
 - PRESIDING JUDGE: Second accused and third accused, any 24
- 15:12:38 25 comment on that? I know this is not a motion that has been
 - 26 raised by you nor by the third accused.
 - 27 MR KOPPE: I have no problem with closed session,
 - Your Honour. 28
 - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Counsel for third accused, you wish to

	1	comment on that?
	2	MR MARGAI: We have no objection.
	3	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you.
	4	[Trial Chamber confers]
15:13:18	5	PRESIDING JUDGE: Considering that this motion has been
	6	filed on a confidential basis and considering that the
	7	Prosecution needs to respond to this application verbally and
	8	orally this afternoon, and considering that it is with a
	9	protected witness and argument about this particular application
15:13:39	10	may have to deal with some of the factual background, in fairness
	11	it would be appropriate that we proceed in a closed session to
	12	hear the arguments. So the Court is now moving into a closed
	13	session.
	14	[At this point in the proceedings, a portion of the
	15	transcript, pages 52 to 94, was extracted and sealed under
	16	separate cover, as the session was heard in camera.]
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[Open Session] 1 2 PRESIDING JUDGE: For the record in open session, and to 3 make sure that what we have said in open session is done openly, the motion presented by the first accused has been denied. It was a 4 17:15:47 5 unanimous decision of the Court and a detailed reasoned decision will be 6 provided in writing in the near future. Mr Prosecutor, you are informing the Court as to the 7 intended witnesses you are to be calling. Just to emphasise on 8 9 what the Honourable Justice Itoe was saying, I hope the Defence 17:16:11 10 is well-informed and aware of the witnesses you are about to 11 call, so we do not get into difficulties about not knowing who is 12 being called or not. That is all we are raising with you at this 13 time. 14 MR TAVENER: Thank you. 17:16:26 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: So, tomorrow you do not know which one 16 you will be calling first? MR TAVENER: The order will be 189, 134 and 133. It is 17 unlikely it will get to Witness 080. 18 JUDGE ITOE: 189. 19 MR TAVENER: 134 and 133. And the Prosecution will also be 17:16:46 20 seeking closed session applications in respect of 218 and 011. 21 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. 22 MR TAVENER: Thank you. 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: So that concludes the proceedings for 24 17:17:14 25 today. We will adjourn the Court until tomorrow morning. You 26 had something to --27 MR LANSANA: No, Your Honour. PRESIDING JUDGE: You are anxious to leave? The Court is 28

adjourned until 09.30 a.m. tomorrow morning. Court is adjourned.

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