

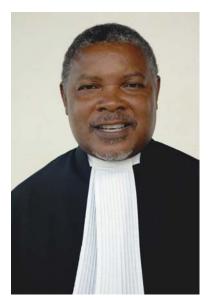
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Registrar Lovemore Munlo, SC Announces His Departure from Special Court



Lovemore Munlo, SC has announced he will leave the Special Court after a year and a half as Registrar.

"After one and a half years at the Special Court, the time has come to move on", Mr. Munlo told staff members last week.

Mr. Munlo became interim Registrar in October 2005. In February 2006, he was appointed Registrar of the Special Court by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

In taking up his post in 2006, Mr Munlo said his vision was "to consolidate what the Court has already achieved and to move forward in providing efficient and professional support to Chambers, Prosecution and Defence".

Mr. Munlo numbered among his accomplishments as Registrar a more focused completion strategy which meets projected milestones, and

improved working conditions for local staff.

He also pointed to the conclusion of a host agreement with the Government of the Netherlands and the Memorandum of Understanding with the ICC, to enable the Special Court to hold the trial of former Liberian President Charles Taylor in The Hague.

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The Special Court is an independent tribunal established jointly by the United Nations and the Government of Sierra Leone. It is mandated to bring to justice those who bear the greatest responsibility for atrocities committed in Sierra Leone after 30 November 1996. To date, the Prosecutor has indicted eleven persons on various charges of war crimes, crimes against humanity, and other serious violations of international humanitarian law.

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