

**UNITED
NATIONS**



Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals

Case No.: MICT-13-55

Date: 1 April 2016

Original: English

THE PRESIDENT OF THE MECHANISM

Before: Judge Theodor Meron, President

Registrar: Mr. John Hocking

Decision of: 1 April 2016

PROSECUTOR

v.

RADOVAN KARADŽIĆ

PUBLIC

DECISION ON REQUEST FOR STATUS CONFERENCE

The Office of the Prosecutor

Mr. Serge Brammertz

Counsel for Mr. Radovan Karadžić

Mr. Peter Robinson

I, THEODOR MERON, President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (“Mechanism”);

NOTING the “Public Redacted Version of Judgement Issued on 24 March 2016” rendered by Trial Chamber III of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia on 24 March 2016 in the case of *Prosecutor v. Radovan Karadžić*, Case No. IT-95-5/18-T;

NOTING the “Request for Status Conference” filed by Radovan Karadžić (“Karadžić”) on 25 March 2016 (“Request”), by which he requests that a bench of the Appeals Chamber be assigned to this case and that the Pre-Appeal Judge thereof convene a status conference to discuss matters related to Karadžić’s intended appeal in this case, as well as Karadžić’s mental and physical condition;¹

NOTING that Rule 69(B) of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Mechanism (“Rules”) provides that “[t]he Appeals Chamber or an Appeals Chamber Judge shall convene a status conference, within one hundred and twenty days of the filing of a notice of appeal [...] to allow any person in custody pending appeal the opportunity to raise issues in relation thereto, including the mental and physical condition of that person”;

NOTING that to date, no notice of appeal has been filed in this case;

NOTING that an Appeals Chamber bench will be assigned to this case in due course;

CONSIDERING that a status conference on matters related to Karadžić’s intended appeal will be held in due course;

NOTING that I supervise the conditions of detention of detainees under the authority of the Mechanism at the United Nations Detention Unit (“UNDU”);²

CONSIDERING that matters raised by detainees at the UNDU in relation to their mental or physical condition are accorded prompt and serious consideration;

¹ See Request, paras. 1-2, 11. See also Request, paras. 6-10.

² See generally Rules Governing the Detention of Persons Awaiting Trial or Appeal Before the Tribunal or Otherwise Detained on the Authority of the Tribunal, IT/38/Rev.9, 21 July 2005, which apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Mechanism; United Nations Detention Unit Regulations for the Establishment of a Complaints Procedure for Detainees, IT/96, April 1995, which apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Mechanism. See also Rule 31(C) of the Rules.

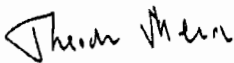
FINDING that the Request does not identify any specific issue Karadžić wishes to raise in relation to his mental or physical condition;³

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS,

HEREBY GRANT the Request, **in part**, and **INVITE** Karadžić to inform me within three days whether he wishes to be heard on any pressing matter related to his mental or physical condition.

Done in English and French, the English version being authoritative.

Done this 1st day of April 2016,
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.



Judge Theodor Meron
President

[Seal of the Mechanism]

³ See Request paras. 2, 6.