

THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL  
FOR THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA

CASE No. IT-95-5/18-T

IN TRIAL CHAMBER No. 3

Before: Judge O-Gon Kwon, Presiding  
Judge Howard Morrison  
Judge Melville Baird  
Judge Flavia Lattanzi, Reserve Judge

Registrar: Mr. John Hocking

Date: 11 February 2014

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

RADOVAN KARADZIC

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REQUEST FOR ADJOURNMENT TO  
PREPARE TESTIMONY OF THE ACCUSED

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The Office of the Prosecutor:  
Mr. Alan Tieger  
Ms. Hildegard Uertz-Retzlaff

The Accused:  
Radovan Karadzic

1. Dr. Radovan Karadzic respectfully requests that his trial be adjourned on 25 February 2014, after the testimony of the penultimate witness, for a period of two weeks, to enable him to prepare for his own testimony. He proposes to commence his testimony on Tuesday, 11 March 2014.

2. Dr. Karadzic has made a real effort to prepare his testimony while the trial is ongoing. However, despite those best efforts, the pace of the trial and the need to meet with and prepare his other witnesses has fully consumed his time and rendered it impossible to prepare his own testimony. Preparation of that testimony requires a large amount of time given the breadth of the indictment and the over 2 million pages of disclosure provided by the prosecution.

3. Following the order of the Trial Chamber that Dr. Karadzic was to give his testimony in response to questions put to him by his Legal Advisor, Dr. Karadzic's Legal Advisor made appointments with the United Nations Detention Unit to meet with Dr. Karadzic every afternoon from 1530 to 1645 to prepare his direct examination. However, each appointment had to be cancelled as Dr. Karadzic had supplemental witness proofings scheduled or was simply too tired at the end of the court day to work on his own testimony.

4. Dr. Karadzic's weekends have been filled with witness proofings and preparation—a situation which will continue until the penultimate witness testifies on 25 February.

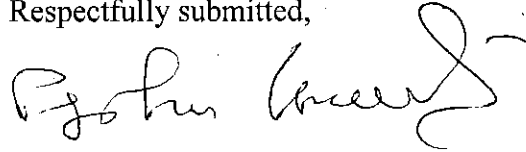
5. In addition to not having the time to prepare his testimony, Dr. Karadzic is exhausted from the pace of the trial and needs a rest before commencing his testimony, which is the most demanding and important phase of his trial for him.

6. Dr. Karadzic and his defence team have worked hard to ensure that his defence case proceeded efficiently and professionally. He has called approximately 225 witness in 16 months, although the prosecution took 26 months to call 198 witnesses. While the prosecution had up to 15 separate lawyers conducting examination of witnesses, Dr. Karadzic has examined all 423 witnesses by himself. Therefore, it is not unreasonable to allow him to give his testimony under conditions where he is reasonably well prepared and rested.

7. For all of these reasons, it is respectfully requested that the trial be adjourned on 25 February 2014 and resume on 11 March 2014 to hear the testimony of Dr. Karadzic as the last defence witness.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Radovan Karadzic', written in a cursive style.

Radovan Karadzic