

Cambodian genocide tribunal to deliver verdict on Khmer Rouge jailer on July 26 May 24, 2010

Cambodia's genocide tribunal has announced it will give its verdict in July in the case of a notorious Khmer Rouge prison chief accused of crimes against humanity, war crimes, murder and torture.

Lars Olsen, spokesman for the U.N.-backed, tribunal said Monday the court will be handed down the verdict against Kaing Guek Eav, better known as Duch, on July 26.

Duch, who in the late 1970s commanded the notorious S-21 prison where as many as 16,000 people were tortured before being sent for execution, is the first senior Khmer Rouge figure to face trial, and the only one to acknowledge responsibility for his actions. He was tried last year.