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KRT moves: Investigate judge: Ieng Sary team

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Ahead of the re-opening of hearings in the Khmer Rouge tribunal's Case 002, former Khmer Rouge Foreign Affairs Minister Ieng Sary yesterday again called for an investigation of one of the judges and permission to be absent throughout proceedings.

Lawyers for the 86-year-old alleged senior leader of the Khmer Rouge regime have previously claimed their client's ill-health prevents him from being present in court and that forcing him to do so is a "fundamental breach of his human rights".

In a separate, simultaneously lodged appeal, the lawyers requested the Supreme Court Chamber conducted investigations into ex-parte meetings between New Zealand Trial Chamber Judge Silvia Cartwright and International Co-Prosecutor Andrew Cayley. An investigation is essential, Ieng Sary's lawyers said, in determining whether Cartwright should be disqualified from the bench altogether.