

## **Ieng Sary Defence Seeks Witness Statements Again**

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A defence attorney for ex-Khmer Rouge Minister of Foreign Affairs Ieng Sary wants the tribunal to summon interviewers from the Office of Co-Investigating Judges to get the facts surrounding an allegedly unrecorded interview with a witness that occurred more than three years ago, according to documents filed yesterday.

This is the third such request relating to witness statements that Sary's team has made.

The latest filing pertains to an interview from early 2009 that investigators conducted with Norng Sophang, a former telegraph operator under the Khmer Rouge.

When Sophang testified early last month, Sary's international representative, co-lawyer Michael Karnavas, asked the court to play an audio recording of the office's February 18, 2009 interview with Sophkang in which investigators apparently referred to an unrecorded session conducted the day before.

Karnavas also claimed that one interviewer was a younger brother of a member of the prosecution.

"Why wasn't that initial interview tape recorded? What's the purpose of a dress rehearsal?" he said at the time.

Karnavas said in an email yesterday that "for the sake of transparency", the Trial Chamber should "do the right thing" and call those involved in the interview to give evidence.