Press Statement by the Office of Co-Investigating Judges (22 August 2008)

The Co-Investigating Judges have taken note of the decision of the Co-Prosecutors to appeal the Closing Order concerning Kaing Guek Eav (alias Duch) as regards crimes committed at S-21.

While regretting that the first public trial of the Extraordinary Chambers will be delayed by the appeal, the Co-Investigating Judges will not, of course, make any comment on the appeal on their Closing Order (a redacted version of the Order is available on the ECCC internet site at the following address: www.eccc.gov.kh), the legal disagreement thereby highlighted now being before the Pre-Trial Chamber.

The Co-Investigating Judges remain determined to do their utmost to ensure that justice is rendered to the Cambodian people as speedily as possible.