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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Judges enter courtroom)
- 3 [09.05.30]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Please be seated. The Chamber is now in session.
- 6 Pursuant to our agenda for today's hearing the thematic session
- 7 is on the oral arguments concerning the Chamber's provisional
- 8 list of witnesses, civil parties, and experts.
- 9 Before we commence on the oral argument, we would like to remind
- 10 the parties of our instruction yesterday. The parties are
- 11 advised that when the discussion concerning the witness, expert,
- 12 and civil party list begins, they should bear in mind that until
- 13 a specific decision is made no witness, expert or civil party has
- 14 as yet been rejected. They are also asked to limit their
- 15 comments, as far as possible, to those witnesses, experts, and
- 16 civil parties whose names have been included in the tentative
- 17 list and to recall that this list is for the first phases of the
- 18 trial.
- 19 This morning the Chamber will also have an additional instruction
- 20 to all parties. I'd like to give the floor to Judge Cartwright
- 21 for the additional instruction.
- 22 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 23 Thank you, President.
- 24 The President has asked me to give the following indications.
- 25 The Trial Chamber has not yet made a final determination whether

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- 1 certain experts in the tentative list should instead be
- 2 classified as witnesses. It is aware of the comments and
- 3 objections by the parties concerning the qualifications of some
- 4 of the experts proposed by the parties. There is no need to
- 5 repeat those observations today.
- 6 [09.09.10]
- 7 Secondly, the Trial Chamber asks the parties to offer
- 8 observations only on the names on the tentative lists using the
- 9 pseudonyms provided. The parties are reminded that the Chamber
- 10 will review the whole list of witnesses and experts provided by
- 11 the parties as the first phase of the trial proceeds and will, as
- 12 needed, add to the list of those to be examined.
- 13 Thirdly, if any of the parties considers that it is essential for
- 14 the Trial Chamber to include a witness or expert in the list for
- 15 examination during the first phase of the trial, then the names
- 16 should not be referred to in open court. The name can be
- 17 provided to the Trial Chamber in writing by Tuesday 5 July. The
- 18 Trial Chamber does not intend that the parties reiterate their
- 19 requests made in writing, but wishes only to allow the parties to
- 20 assist it in ensuring that no vitally important, relevant witness
- 21 or expert is omitted. Given the need to expedite the trial, the
- 22 Chamber has limited scope for increasing the list.
- 23 Finally, the lead co-lawyers are reminded that they have been
- 24 given the opportunity to provide lists of relevant civil parties
- 25 at later dates and that there is no need to mention any

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- 1 additional names today or by the deadline that was imposed for
- 2 the other parties.
- 3 Thank you, President.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Thank you, Judge Cartwright.
- 6 The Chamber would like to inform the parties and the public that
- 7 previously the Chamber asked the parties to prepare in case the
- 8 hearing will continue to Friday the 1st; however, it is unlikely
- 9 as yesterday the two oral arguments were made and concluded on
- 10 time. There is only one remaining agenda today regarding the
- 11 list of witnesses, civil parties, and experts for the first
- 12 phases of the trial.
- 13 [09.12.18]
- 14 I would like to give the floor now to Mr. Sa Sovan.
- 15 MR. SA SOVAN:
- 16 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, for
- 17 giving me the floor. Good morning to the prosecutors, the
- 18 lawyers for the victims, my colleagues, and the people in the
- 19 public gallery.
- 20 I have consulted with my other defence counsels and they agreed
- 21 for me to have five or six minutes to talk and my client, Khieu
- 22 Samphan, also will have to take the floor for five or six
- 23 minutes.
- 24 [09.13.17]
- 25 After having heard the instructions from Your Honour and Judge

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- 1 Cartwright, it is much appreciated that there is no hearing on
- 2 Friday.
- 3 We are the defence counsel for Khieu Samphan. We are always
- 4 obliged to respect all the instructions by the Chamber and I'd
- 5 like now to seek your permission for my client to speak briefly
- 6 and, of course, we follow any instructions regarding the
- 7 tentative list to be discussed.
- 8 Would Your Honour permit my client to speak briefly?
- 9 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Mr. Khieu Samphan, which subject would you like to talk about?
- 12 We'd like to know the intention that you are to speak.
- 13 MR. KHIEU SAMPHAN:
- 14 I'd like to talk briefly about my witness list. I clearly know
- 15 that the list is tentative. If Your Honour permits me to speak
- 16 then it would be much appreciated.
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 You are not allowed as instructed regarding the proceeding in
- 19 relation to the tentative list of witnesses, experts, and civil
- 20 parties.
- 21 We will now commence our oral arguments concerning the Chambers
- 22 provisional list of witnesses, civil parties, and experts.
- 23 [09.15.52]
- 24 Having provided the parties with its provisional list of
- 25 witnesses, civil parties, and experts on Monday, the Chamber will

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- 1 now give the parties opportunity to comment including in relation
- 2 to objections, if any, to this list. The parties are reminded to
- 3 refer to individual witnesses, experts, and civil parties on this
- 4 provisional list only by their assigned pseudonym.
- 5 The floor is now given to the Co-Prosecutors.
- 6 Mr. Sa Sovan, I notice you're on your feet again.
- 7 MR. SA SOVAN:
- 8 Mr. President, I think there is a misunderstanding or maybe the
- 9 information I gave to the President is incorrect. My client
- 10 would like to briefly talk about three or four minutes only on
- 11 the witness list and he will not go -- wander into any other
- 12 areas. He only speak on the subject of the witness list, briefly
- 13 only.
- 14 Thank you, Your Honour.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 The Chamber has already decided that your client is not allowed
- 17 and, secondly, when your turn comes then you can speak. That is
- 18 your right and your client's right, but you need to ensure the
- 19 confidentiality and to use only the pseudonyms assigned and not
- 20 to reveal any names as discussed and instructed during the oral
- 21 argument.
- 22 [09.18.18]
- Once again, the floor is now given to the Co-Prosecutors if you
- 24 have comments to make regarding the tentative list of witnesses,
- 25 experts, and civil parties as given to you by the Trial Chamber

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- 1 on Monday.
- 2 MS. CHEA LEANG:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 4 morning everyone.
- 5 The Co-Prosecutors would like to present certain arguments
- 6 regarding the Chamber's tentative list of witnesses, experts, and
- 7 civil parties for the first phases of the trial. The question is
- 8 whether -- whose witnesses, experts, and civil parties should be
- 9 summoned to testify and whether they are not necessary to provide
- 10 their testimony before the Trial Chamber during the substantive
- 11 hearing.
- 12 After reviewing and discussing amongst ourselves on the tentative
- 13 list of witnesses, experts, and civil parties as given by the
- 14 Trial Chamber, we observed that we would like to remove one
- 15 witness from the list with the pseudonym TCW-482 for the
- 16 following reason; however, it shall be a closed hearing when we
- 17 provide our argument.
- 18 The Co-Prosecutors would like to have a closed hearing to provide
- 19 arguments regarding this witness, TWC-482 (sic).
- 20 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Thank you, Co-Prosecutor.
- 23 [09.21.37]
- 24 Do you have any other comments to make regarding the tentative
- 25 list issued by the Chamber besides this one?

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- 1 The Chamber, of course, took note of what has been suggested by
- 2 the national Co-Prosecutor and you shall be informed in due
- 3 course of our decision. Also, depending on the comments likely
- 4 to be raised by other parties.
- 5 The floor is now given to the international Co-Prosecutor.
- 6 MR. SMITH:
- 7 Good morning, Your Honours. Good morning, counsel.
- 8 Your Honours, we welcome the list. We feel that the list will
- 9 address some of the central issues in the case and we note Your
- 10 Honours' statements this morning that this is not a final list.
- 11 And just to preview the prosecution's position, we will be filing
- 12 for another 15 witnesses to be heard in this part of the case.
- 13 As Your Honours are aware, the prosecution have the onus of proof
- 14 to prove the case and we feel as though those 15 will be
- 15 necessary. We will file those further names by the 5th of July
- 16 as you have ordered and, further, we also take note of your
- 17 comment that as the first phase of the trial proceeds, you'll be
- 18 reviewing the evidence and will create an opportunity for parties
- 19 to further make submissions as to whether or not further
- 20 witnesses are required into that part of the case.
- 21 [09.23.24]
- 22 And the only reason why I briefly say that is I think -- as Your
- 23 Honours are aware from the previous case and, certainly, other
- 24 cases -- some witnesses may not be able to attend, some witnesses
- 25 may have forgetful memories, some witnesses may be reluctant to

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- 1 talk. And because of all of those factors, we would certainly
- 2 take up Your Honours' opportunity to address you as the first
- 3 phase of the trial progresses.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Thank you, international Co-Prosecutor.
- 7 The floor is now given to the four defence teams starting from
- 8 Nuon Chea's defence team. Do you have comments to make regarding
- 9 the Chamber's tentative list of witnesses, experts, and civil
- 10 parties given to you on Monday?
- 11 MR. KOPPE:
- 12 Mr. President, Your Honours, good morning.
- 13 We have some general observations in respect of the matter of
- 14 witnesses and experts. That I make these observations today is
- 15 very important to our client. We understand your guidelines. We
- 16 know the tentative list is not a final list. We understand that,
- 17 but we wish to make these general observations nevertheless. I
- 18 will speak no longer than 30 minutes.
- 19 [09.25.30]
- 20 Mr. President, we were appointed as the defence lawyers for Nuon
- 21 Chea in the fall of 2007. After long talks with Nuon Chea, we
- 22 filed am important request to the Office of the Co-Investigating
- 23 Judges.
- 24 On 20 December 2007, we asked the Investigating Judges to allow
- 25 us to be present at the examination of all witnesses and although

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- 1 the Internal Rules do not provide us to be present -- for this
- 2 possibility to be present, we make this request for two reasons.
- 3 First of all, of course, to exercise the fundamental right of
- 4 every accused to cross-examine witnesses. In my jurisdiction,
- 5 the Netherlands, which like Cambodia has its origin in French
- 6 law, it is standard practice in a criminal procedure to be
- 7 present at the examination of witnesses by the Investigating
- 8 Judge for this very reason and secondly, to avoid the necessity
- 9 of examining all these witnesses again at trial.
- 10 Once an accused has had the opportunity to question witnesses at
- 11 the investigation stage, he does not need to repeat this
- 12 examination during trial. In fact, only in special circumstances
- does he have the right to do so. This guarantees a speedy,
- 14 effective and, at the same time, fair trial.
- 15 Yet our request to question witnesses was unfortunately denied by
- 16 the OCIJ. In its letter of 10 January 2008, the Investigating
- 17 Judges wrote that the Internal Rules prohibit the presence of
- 18 defence lawyers during interviews of witnesses. And the OCIJ
- 19 added, rightfully, I might say, that confrontation of the
- 20 witnesses during trial would serve as an adequate remedy.
- 21 [09.28.06]
- 22 Now, in that same letter, the OCIJ also expressly prohibited us
- 23 from conducting our own investigation. The Investigating Judges
- 24 even thought it was necessary to inform us that it would be a
- 25 criminal act if we were to bring pressure on potential witnesses.

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- 1 We talked again after this to our client and we decided this time
- 2 to make a number of requests to the Investigating Judges for
- 3 specific investigative action. If we were not allowed to do our
- 4 own investigation it was up to the Investigating Judges to do it
- 5 for us. Now, which subjects were -- investigative actions were
- 6 important? Which facts or events had to be properly investigated
- 7 by the judges? Allow me to give you four examples.
- 8 Our client instructed us that it was very important to
- 9 investigate the role of Vietnam not only in the period '75-'79,
- 10 but also in the time before and after the period of Democratic
- 11 Kampuchea. Many decisions in the DK period were taken because of
- 12 Vietnamese policy and such decisions can only be properly
- 13 understood if Vietnam's role and policy is thoroughly
- 14 investigated.
- 15 Now, also, the disastrous consequences of the American bombings
- 16 has to be properly investigated. Was there, for instance, a food
- 17 crisis before April 7, 1975; yes or no? And if so, what effects
- 18 did it have on the people of Cambodia at the time? Was the DK
- 19 Government able to do anything about it?
- 20 Our client thought it is also very necessary to investigate the
- 21 role of rogue commanders in, for example, the DK's Eastern Zone
- 22 of which the authorities in Phnom Penh did not exercise
- 23 centralised control, very important issue.
- 24 [09.30.37]
- 25 And our client also told us that Duch was not telling the truth

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- 1 about Nuon Chea's role in respect of the cruelties that occurred
- 2 in S-21. The reliability of his statements was another issue
- 3 which according to Nuon Chea needed thorough investigation.
- 4 As you know, over the course of the three-year investigation, we
- 5 filed 26 requests for investigative action. And in each request
- 6 we try to be as detailed and reasoned as possible. What did we
- 7 want to achieve with these requests for investigative action?
- 8 What did we expect and what did we hope for?
- 9 First of all, our client hoped that once the trial started many
- 10 of the issues we raised in these requests for investigative
- 11 action would not need to be investigated during the trial. Nuon
- 12 Chea has no interest in a lengthy trial. Our client is an old
- 13 man nearing the end of his life and he would like this trial to
- 14 be finished as soon as possible. But more important than a trial
- 15 which is concluded quickly, he wants this Tribunal to ascertain
- 16 the truth; not the story you can read in American or Vietnamese
- 17 history books, but the truth -- an historic truth -- which also
- 18 includes his view of the events which took place before and
- 19 during the DK years and the truth which also encompasses the rule
- 20 of Vietnam, the consequences of the US bombings, and other
- 21 important contextual issues; in other words, a proper and fair
- 22 trial, not a short trial as in 1979.
- 23 However, the responses of the Investigating Judges to our 26
- 24 requests were not promising, to put it very mildly. For
- 25 instance, the reliability of Duch's testimony was not examined.

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- 1 Key figures from the Eastern Zone who now hold very important
- 2 positions in the Cambodian Government were not interviewed and
- 3 the Judges seemed to make no effort to investigate the actual
- 4 role of Vietnam.
- 5 [09.33.39]
- 6 Mr. President, Your Honours, allow me to give one complete
- 7 example on the subject of Vietnam so that the Cambodians who are
- 8 present today in this courtroom or who are watching the
- 9 proceedings on television know what I am talking about.
- 10 On 20 December 2009, we asked the Investigating Judges to summon
- 11 as a witness a person who I will now refer to as Mr. X. Why
- 12 cannot I say his name? You know that because at the stage of the
- 13 trial -- or this stage of the trial, we are not allowed to use
- 14 the name of potential witnesses.
- 15 You have ordered us to refer to the witnesses -- potential
- 16 witnesses -- anonymously by pseudonyms, but I have to say we find
- 17 that this clarification -- this guideline -- remarkable because
- 18 this is a public hearing and we feel that the Cambodian people
- 19 are entitled to know about the individuals of whom we are
- 20 speaking today.
- 21 But in any event, our client is -- was of the opinion that the
- 22 testimony of Mr. X is very, very important for ascertaining the
- 23 truth; very important to understand the role of Vietnam. Now,
- 24 who is Mr. X?
- 25 Mr. X has been an active figure in Cambodian politics for many

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- 1 years. At the age of 15, he quit school to join the Khmer
- 2 Issarak, an anti-colonialist, nationalist movement. During this
- 3 period, he worked for Ta Mok whom the prosecution alleges was a
- 4 member of the CPK Standing Committee, alongside our client and
- 5 others.
- 6 [09.35.33]
- 7 From 1970 to 1974, Mr. X was a member of the Khmer Rouge.
- 8 However, he fled to Vietnam in '74 to help organise the
- 9 Kampuchean United Front for National Salvation and was ultimately
- 10 responsible for leading Vietnamese-backed resistance forces into
- 11 Cambodia in '78.

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- 14 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 International Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 17 MR. SMITH:
- 18 Just briefly, Your Honour, we note defence counsel's concerns
- 19 about not being able to state people's names publicly, but by the
- 20 same token, we do note Your Honours' concerns that until such
- 21 time that you're in a position to know whether there is any
- 22 protective issues for a particular witness, that out of an
- 23 abundance of caution you have decided that certainly at least for
- 24 today we use pseudonyms, the prosecution's view would be that in
- 25 a short period of time those witness assessments be made and then

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- 1 once they're made and if there's grounds or no grounds then names
- 2 can be used publicly.
- 3 But I think it's not appropriate to call someone Mr. X and then
- 4 start to bring out every detail that would identify Mr. X. So
- 5 either this should be in closed session or alternatively, I think
- 6 the details should stop coming and I think counsel and all
- 7 counsel is to be reminded that until such time that you change
- 8 the order, we use pseudonyms today. But we also appreciate
- 9 counsel's view that this should be a public hearing and that can
- 10 happen, of course, very shortly once the assessments have been
- 11 done.
- 12 [09.38.20]
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 We thank you, the international Co-Prosecutor.
- 16 The Chamber would like to remind the defence team for Nuon Chea
- 17 that the agenda for the tentative list of witnesses have already
- 18 been well communicated and instructed to the parties to the
- 19 proceeding.
- 20 With regard to other list of witnesses and experts, if you feel
- 21 that they are not yet included in the tentative list and that you
- 22 believe these people are potential witnesses and expert, for the
- 23 interests of your client, you are then advised to list them in
- 24 writing and submit to the Chamber.
- 25 The observation by the international Co-Prosecutor is very

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- 1 appropriate. Any explanation or any observation that leads to
- 2 the revealing of the identity of the so-called pseudonym that you
- 3 refer to is -- and this, of course, violates the protective
- 4 measures and also the witness protection principle has already
- 5 been the principle rule and provision to be abided by everyone
- 6 and internationally.
- 7 The Chamber will also notify the parties with regard to what kind
- 8 or what form of protective measures or whether such protective
- 9 measure will be also given to any particular witness or experts
- 10 and we believe that parties will be well informed.
- 11 [09.40.29]
- 12 We once again wish to inform the defence counsel of this and
- 13 please be carefully reminded we will give the floor to the
- 14 defence counsel to continue his observation, but please refrain
- 15 from going back into the discussion of the detailed identity of
- 16 any particular witness or potential witness.
- 17 MR. KOPPE:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 19 I will stop talking about Mr. X. I was just mentioning him as an
- 20 example, nothing more. My point was -- or the point that  ${\tt I}$
- 21 wanted to make was that the Investigating Judges simply refused
- 22 to even interview Mr. X. They said his testimony was
- 23 unnecessary.
- 24 When my client heard that he was shocked. How could that be
- 25 possible? Were the Investigating Judges not interested in the

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- 1 role of Vietnam or in his story? Did they not care? Were they
- 2 only interested in uncovering inculpatory evidence? Was it true
- 3 then, after all, what an Australian policeman with many years of
- 4 experience -- a man who had worked for years in the OCIJ -- had
- 5 said? You may recall the story. The newspapers wrote about it.
- 6 This Australian policeman revealed that
- 7 during a meeting in August 2009 at the private residence of
- 8 Investigating Judge Lemonde --
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 The international Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 11 [09.42.25]
- 12 MR. CAYLEY:
- 13 Thank you, Your Honours.
- 14 When the direction was issued for this week's initial hearing,
- 15 you stated that today would be a discussion about witness lists
- 16 and you also said it this morning, it will be a discussion about
- 17 the witness list that you put before us. As Your Honours are
- 18 well aware, the fairness of the judicial investigation is a
- 19 matter that's before you. The defence have made that as a
- 20 preliminary objection and you have specifically decided not to
- 21 list that today.
- 22 I'm certainly -- we certainly want to be absolutely clear that we
- 23 want all of the issues that are raised by all of the defence
- 24 counsel completely public, but I think as the Trial Chamber
- 25 Judges -- the managers of this case -- you have the right to

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- 1 manage the trial as you see fit and, certainly, my understanding
- 2 is that this trial will be fully public, but as far as today is
- 3 concerned, I would ask that the defence counsel keep his remarks
- 4 to the specific agenda remarks that you made and we would support
- 5 the defence in public hearings of all of the issues that they
- 6 make, but otherwise you will lose control of this trial if people
- 7 are allowed to make speeches and not confine themselves to the
- 8 agenda that you set.
- 9 [09.43.49]
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. Co-Prosecutor.
- 13 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Since the observation by the defence counsel is not relevant to
- 16 the item of the agenda with respect to the witness list and the
- 17 observation is of a broad nature and, at the same time, the
- 18 counsel keeps revealing the identity of potential witness,
- 19 perhaps -- and this, of course, interrupts our proceedings, the
- 20 Chamber wishes to, therefore, stop the defence counsel from
- 21 making further observation with respect to that aspect.
- 22 Would you wish to make any other observation with regard to the
- 23 tentative list of witness?
- 24 MR. KOPPE:
- 25 Mr. President, do I have to understand the Trial Chamber's

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- 1 decision that we are also not allowed to speak about the
- 2 selection of the tentative list -- the selection of the
- 3 witnesses? As I indicated, it was -- it's only maximum 30
- 4 minutes that we are speaking about the very important issue of
- 5 witnesses.
- 6 [09.46.19]
- 7 Our client has waited four days for us to give this half hour --
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 The Chamber has already made our decision that you are not
- 10 allowed to make any observation beyond what has been allowed in
- 11 the agenda and the Chamber would not wish to allow you to speak
- 12 or take this opportunity to touch upon other issues that are not
- 13 related to the potential witness list.
- 14 Of course, the Chamber has already made it clear that if you
- 15 would wish to add any names of potential witness of your
- 16 interests and your client's interest into the list then you still
- 17 have time to do that in writing and have it submitted to the
- 18 Chamber. And if, for the time being, you do not have any further
- 19 comments with respect to the tentative list of the witnesses then
- 20 we would like to give the floor to other teams for the defence.
- 21 We might proceed to the counsel for Ieng Sary if they would wish
- 22 to make any comment with regard to the tentative list of
- 23 witnesses.
- 24 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 25 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, and

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- 1 good morning to everyone in and around the courtroom.
- 2 We do object to one particular witness, Your Honour, and that is
- 3 TCE-44 -- TCE-44. We have stated our reasons in writing and we
- 4 would appreciate the opportunity to be heard in closed session
- 5 concerning -- to elaborate more on the reasoning with this
- 6 particular witness.
- 7 [09.48.30]
- 8 I would also like to observe that it is somewhat difficult for us
- 9 in going through these lists when not knowing what the other
- 10 topics will be in the future; however, we understand how the
- 11 Trial Chamber has reached this tentative list. I just make that
- 12 observation that the sooner we know it would assist us.
- 13 I also would like, if it is at all possible, for the prosecution
- 14 to turn over at least a courtesy list of the 15 names it intends
- 15 to identify. Since they seem to know who they are, we need not
- 16 wait until 5 July for that.
- 17 Also, if I may make one brief comment with respect to one comment
- 18 made by the prosecution concerning the identity of witnesses, I
- 19 believe it would be a fundamental flaw in these proceedings if
- 20 the list of witnesses were to be revealed prior to the witness
- 21 appearing here in court. The public is entitled to an open and a
- 22 transparent trial proceedings.
- 23 I do not -- I submit that the public is not entitled to know the
- 24 names of the witnesses prior to the witnesses appearing. I think
- 25 in most jurisdictions that's forbidden. In any event, why?

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- 1 Because witnesses can be tampered, can be pressured; harm may
- 2 come to those witnesses.
- 3 In light of the proceedings and the charges and the events and
- 4 what have you, I think we should be more cautious. The public is
- 5 not going to lose anything by simply seeing who will be -- who's
- 6 giving testimony at the moment they appear in court. That is the
- 7 proceeding that is usually abided by at the ICTY and at the other
- 8 tribunals.
- 9 Publishing the list so neighbours, friends, enemies, and what
- 10 have you know who the witnesses may be could cause a tremendous
- 11 amount of problems for this trial and so I ask that you consider
- 12 these remarks in your deliberations as to whether the list should
- 13 be made public.
- 14 [09.51.07]
- 15 And with that I have one other observation, if I may, as sort of
- 16 an amicus to the Khieu Samphan team. If I may make one remark,
- 17 Your Honours, and that is under the ICCPR article 14.3 (a) an
- 18 accused is entitled to defend himself through himself or through
- 19 others. Now, I understand he has counsel; however, just for you
- 20 to be aware, at the ICTY there are instances where the Trial
- 21 Chamber would allow accused -- even if represented -- to provide
- 22 comments or observations to the Trial Chamber.
- 23 In this instance, it would seem to me that perhaps you may wish
- 24 to consider or reconsider your decision and allow Mr. Khieu
- 25 Samphan to be heard. Perhaps he's in a best position -- in the

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- 1 best position to comment about the witnesses or this event. Now,
- 2 in the event, of course, he goes outside, you could cut him off,
- 3 but it would seem to me that since we are -- if you're going to
- 4 consider this sort of a hybrid tribunal -- national,
- 5 international, this internationalised, which -- I hate using this
- 6 term, but I believe that it would not be unusual to allow the
- 7 accused to make submissions to the Trial Chamber, and I think in
- 8 light especially of the circumstances that we find ourselves here
- 9 today.
- 10 Thank you, Mr. President and Your Honours.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Thank you, Counsel Karnavas.
- 13 The Chamber actually asked the accused person whether he would be
- 14 talking on the list of witnesses and civil parties as delivered
- 15 to the parties. And, of course, as I made it very clear, the
- 16 Chamber wishes to hear from the prosecutors and followed by
- 17 defence counsel for the four accused persons.
- 18 [9.53.37]
- 19 And Khieu Samphan team, of course, will have an opportunity to
- 20 have a say in this hearing. And I really remember that counsel
- 21 of Sa Sovan asked whether, when the opportunity comes, he would
- 22 be able to make any observations and whether his client would be
- 23 able to make such observations. And the Chamber really agreed
- 24 that, of course, when the time comes then your client would make
- 25 the most of that allocated time to really make such observations.

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- 1 We never say no to his making such observations. It is only just
- 2 to restore order in the courtroom and so that the flow of the
- 3 argument can be seen in the order.
- 4 Next, we would like to give the opportunity to the defence team
- 5 for Mrs. Ieng Thirith to make any observations.
- 6 MR. PHAT POUV SEANG:
- 7 Good morning, Mr. President, Your Honours.
- 8 I am representing Mrs. Ieng Thirith. I do not have much to say
- 9 with regard to the list of witnesses that distributed to us on
- 10 Monday. So we can conclude that we, for the time being, have no
- 11 comments.
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Thank you, counsel. Next we would like to proceed to the defence
- 14 counsel for Khieu Samphan. If you would wish to make any
- 15 observations with regard to the tentative list of the witnesses
- 16 and civil parties, the floor is yours.
- 17 MR. SA SOVAN:
- 18 I am representing Khieu Samphan.
- 19 [9.55.35]
- 20 Good morning, Mr. President, Your Honours, once again.
- 21 My client would not really talk far beyond the agenda, so could
- 22 the Chamber allow him five or six minutes to make his statement
- 23 or observations concerning the list of the witnesses and the
- 24 civil parties.
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 Mr. Khieu Samphan, you may now proceed.
- 2 MR. KHIEU SAMPHAN:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President, for allowing me to address the Court.
- 4 Now, Mr. President and Your Honours who are present today, and
- 5 good morning to my fellow Cambodian citizens, and my sincere
- 6 salute to monks who are in the public gallery.
- 7 I think it is the very important moment for me and for my fellow
- 8 Cambodian citizens who are hungry for understanding what happened
- 9 between 1975 and 1979. I personally have been waiting for this
- 10 moment for so long. I am very fortunate I am healthy enough at
- 11 this time. As long as I am still as healthy as I am today I will
- 12 contribute to the best of my capacity, of course, to the bottom
- 13 of my heart, to assist or cooperate with the work of the Court.
- 14 [09.58.21]
- 15 In order to make sure that what happened during the period that I
- 16 indicated will be revealed to the surface, I personally am not
- 17 fully knowledgeable of everything but I will do my best to make
- 18 sure that I can ascertain the truth to the full capacity, if I
- 19 can.
- 20 With regard to the list of witnesses I have already observed the
- 21 comments made by the President during the hearing that this list
- 22 is a tentative one. The tentative list for the four initial
- 23 steps for this trial proceedings, and I still recall the
- 24 observations -- remarks made by the President that no witness
- 25 shall be objected or omitted. So I would not wish to talk much

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- 1 further on the list of the witness.
- 2 My general observation here is of course aimed to make it known
- 3 to the public I have observed that the majority of the witnesses
- 4 in the list belong to the prosecutors -- the witnesses of the
- 5 prosecutors. The majority, I mean, super majority of the
- 6 witnesses -- or I may say almost all the witnesses are proposed
- 7 by the Co-Prosecutors. I haven't even spotted any of the
- 8 witnesses I proposed. I have noted very few, but those witnesses
- 9 that we had earlier proposed have now belong to the
- 10 Co-Prosecutors, they become eventually the inculpatory witnesses
- 11 rather than the exculpatory ones.
- 12 I note that my contribution to make sure that these proceedings
- 13 are smooth and proper and to make sure that the truth is finally
- 14 ascertained and that the fairness and that my honesty will be
- 15 revealed. This can only be made if the Court agrees to pay
- 16 attention, to listen to, or to hear the key witnesses that my
- 17 team proposed.
- 18 [10.02.09]
- 19 Many of the witnesses I proposed have known me very well. They
- 20 have been closer to me, they know where I would be doing
- 21 anything, and of course they had a very good account of me.
- 22 Those witnesses can talk about their work and at the same time
- 23 those accounts will reflect of what I could have been doing back
- 24 then. To that I would really request that the Chamber take note
- 25 and include those witnesses and summon them for testimony. They

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- 1 shall be heard. I don't say they should, but they shall be
- 2 heard.
- 3 Some witnesses, of course, actually did not really tell the true
- 4 story or sometimes they just exaggerated the information. That's
- 5 why it is really important that our witnesses be included.
- 6 And finally, I would like to request that the Chamber take our --
- 7 or my request seriously, and I will eventually present the list
- 8 of my witnesses in writing at a later date so that clarity has
- 9 been added -- will be added.
- 10 And that is all from me and I am very grateful to Mr. President,
- 11 and Your Honours. I thank you, my fellow Cambodian citizens and
- 12 the monks who are in this public gallery also. Thank you.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Next, the Chamber would like to give the floor to the lead
- 15 co-lawyers for civil parties if they have any comments to make,
- 16 or any objections to make regarding the tentative list issued by
- 17 the Chamber on Monday.
- 18 MR. PICH ANG:
- 19 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 20 morning, everyone, and my respect to the monks.
- 21 [10.04.00]
- 22 The lead co-lawyers have some observations to make and I'd like
- 23 to seek your permission for my colleague, Ms. Fort, to make an
- 24 observation regarding a witness. Therefore, I'd like to -- and
- 25 next I'd like to give the floor to Ms. Martine Jacquin to make

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- 1 observations regarding two witnesses, and then the floor shall be
- 2 given to Ms. Studzinsky in relation to three witnesses.
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Yes, the Chamber allows for your request.
- 5 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 6 Just a few specifications given the timelines that we have been
- 7 communicated and the instructions issued by the Chamber. We have
- 8 very few remarks to make today. They will deal, certainly, with
- 9 the status of certain witnesses who have been proposed. Our
- 10 fellow counsel may also have a few very brief observations to
- 11 make.
- 12 I simply want to state that there is a witness under TCW-608.
- 13 This proposed witness must be heard. The Chamber, however, must
- 14 change this person's status in light of the decision of the PTC
- 15 as this person is now on the list of civil parties. I wish to
- 16 hand the floor over to my colleague.
- 17 MS. JACQUIN:
- 18 Good morning, Mr. President, Your Honours.
- 19 [10.07.17]
- 20 I have three observations to make. The first concerns TCW-348,
- 21 this person is going to be on the list of civil parties. The
- 22 second person concerns TCW-531, whose civil party status has not
- 23 been determined. And on that point this proposed witness has
- 24 told me that he does not want to participate unless he is
- 25 admitted as a civil party.

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- 1 And as a general comment, we believe that the identity of civil
- 2 parties who may appear before this Court may not be known
- 3 publicly before they speak. This is for reasons of security, as
- 4 well as the protection of their privacy and personal safety.
- 5 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Ms. Studzinsky, you may now proceed.
- 8 MS. STUDZINSKY:
- 9 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 10 morning, everyone.
- 11 I would like to submit some remarks on policies, which is one of
- 12 the segments that the Trial Chamber has selected as -- for the
- 13 first phase of this trial. Among these policies during the DK
- 14 period, I would like to discuss the witness list with regard to
- 15 the policy on regulation of marriages, and, second, the enemy
- 16 policy.
- 17 The first point, the policy on regulation of marriages is
- 18 different from the other policies under the Khmer Rouge during
- 19 the DK period. Why is this the case? This policy was practiced
- 20 --
- 21 [10.09.57]
- 22 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 23 Mr. President, I wish to be heard. I have --
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Ms. Studzinsky, you may stand down and the floor is now given to

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- 1 Michael Karnavas.
- 2 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Your Honours.
- 4 This is not the time or place to be making speeches. This is
- 5 what we were instructed to and everybody has to abide by it. We
- 6 understand that the civil parties play a role; we respect that
- 7 role, we encourage that role, but they don't get to have
- 8 exceptions made to the rules.
- 9 They can tell us simply, like everybody else, whether they agree
- 10 to the list or object to anybody on the list. But as far as
- 11 policies, and what those policies meant, and how they're
- 12 different, that's irrelevant.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 I notice Mr. Sa Sovan would like to speak. You may now proceed.
- 15 MR. SA SOVAN:
- 16 Of course, like in the case of Mr. Koppe, I also wanted to talk
- 17 about the procedure, but it is outside the agenda today. Today
- 18 we have four accused, so please focus on them, not on the regime
- 19 itself.
- 20 [10.12.06]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Thank you, counsel, for your comment.
- 23 Ms. Studzinsky, please be advised that your comments shall only
- 24 be related to the tentative list of the witnesses issued by the
- 25 Chamber. Your comments means you focused on, or do you agree

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- 1 upon those lists or do you object to those lists? For example in
- 2 the case TCW-608, who is currently recognised by the Pre-Trial
- 3 Chamber as a civil party so the Trial Chambers will consider the
- 4 status of that person again, whether the person shall be under
- 5 the witness list or should be removed and put in the civil
- 6 parties list.
- 7 That is what we want regarding this procedure on the list of the
- 8 witnesses, civil parties, and experts that we already determined
- 9 and set in our agenda.
- 10 If you have other comments outside to this topic then you are not
- 11 allowed. Do you have any comments to make in regards to the
- 12 tentative list?
- 13 MS. STUDZINSKY:
- 14 Yeah, thank you, Mr. President.
- 15 [10.13.44]
- 16 Of course I do have, and the only thing what I wanted to do is to
- 17 explain what I would like to say to three witnesses who are on
- 18 the tentative list of the Trial Chamber. And of course to --
- 19 that you can understand what I mean, I think I should be allowed
- 20 to explain a little bit and without saying only TCW-604, TCW-707,
- 21 and TCW-126. These are perhaps, to start in another way, the
- 22 witnesses on whom I would like to give some comments with regard
- 23 to their knowledge, or their purpose to talk, among other things,
- 24 about the regulation of marriage. And maybe I would like then --
- 25 I would need perhaps ten minutes for this to explain why I would

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- 1 not -- or we would not object to these listed witnesses.
- 2 But with regard to the policy -- and this is one of the issues
- 3 today, and therefore, I think the defence as well, should
- 4 understand what they say instead of only listing pseudonyms and
- 5 listing numbers to get a little bit more the floor.
- 6 So I would request the -- Mr. President, again with regard to
- 7 these witnesses whose pseudonyms I mentioned to explain why I
- 8 think that these witnesses are not sufficient to elaborate on the
- 9 policy of --
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Once again the Chamber would like to advise Ms. Studzinsky that
- 12 other parties who have made comments, they made comments to the
- 13 point precisely. But in your case you rather cause complications
- 14 and your comments does not seem to be straight to the point
- 15 regarding the list of witnesses, experts, and civil parties
- 16 determined by the Chamber.
- 17 I hope you follow the examples of the lead co-lawyers, it means
- 18 to only make comments on the point precisely. And the three
- 19 witnesses that you would like to comment upon, is it your
- 20 intention to make an objection to it? Can you make it more
- 21 precise and not to make a general comment?
- 22 [10.18.18]
- 23 You should make comment for each of the three witnesses that
- 24 you'd like to make comments upon, whether they should provide the
- 25 testimonies. Because each of them would provide testimonies on

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- 1 different facts as they are concerned and related through various
- 2 facts, or even to the same fact but the understanding may be
- 3 different.
- 4 So this is the last chance that the Chamber would like to give to
- 5 you to be precise to the point, otherwise you will be stood down
- 6 if you persist to make it repetitive in contradiction to the
- 7 instructions given by the Chamber.
- 8 MS. STUDZINSKY:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 10 I start with the discussion of TCW-126. This witness is with
- 11 regard to regulation of marriage only, could contribute partly
- 12 for the temporal -- with regard to the temporal jurisdiction, but
- 13 would not cover the whole period.
- 14 With regard to the witness TCW-604, and with regard to regulation
- 15 of marriages, this witness would also cover only a very short
- 16 period of the time, the period that is before this Court.
- 17 With regard to TCW-707, this witness seems to be a victim, but to
- 18 my understanding not representing the majority and -- of those
- 19 who were married. Therefore, we suggest for the faith of this
- 20 segment with regard to this specific policy, to include -- and
- 21 this is already before you -- evidence that was submitted as a
- 22 statement but which we would like to present to you now and --
- 23 [10.22.14]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Counsel Karnavas, you may proceed.

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- 1 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 2 Mr. President, Your Honours, I don't mean to be disputatious, but
- 3 I am going to be objecting each and every occasion when all of us
- 4 are not abiding by the rules.
- 5 Now, Your Honours have indicated that the parties have an
- 6 opportunity to supplement this list and that was the reason why,
- 7 I understand, counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea sat down when he was
- 8 asked to move on. Khieu Samphan stood up and made the same
- 9 observation; that he would be adding to the list.
- 10 Now, there's no need for this particular counsel to be giving
- 11 commentary. There is the opportunity provided by the Trial
- 12 Chamber; we welcome that, we're grateful for that. But I think
- 13 it's an abuse of Your Honours' generosity to allow someone to
- 14 simply be making speeches as to what should be included. If
- 15 anyone feels that the list is not representative sufficient for a
- 16 particular segment of their case, or for a particular point, they
- 17 have the opportunity -- because you provided it to us -- to
- 18 supplement that list.
- 19 And I apologise for having to object, but I will do this -- and
- 20 I'm doing this early now -- so that hopefully we won't be having
- 21 problems throughout the proceedings.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Thank you, counsel, for your remarks.
- 24 [10.23.55]
- 25 Counsel Studzinsky, you are not allowed to stand anymore to make

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- 1 comments regarding this topic.
- 2 The Chamber would like now to give the floor to Judge Cartwright
- 3 in order to ask counsel Studzinsky regarding the three witnesses.
- 4 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 5 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 6 Ms. Studzinsky, the role of the civil parties led by the lead
- 7 co-lawyers, who should have the primary role in these proceedings
- 8 in representing the consolidated group, is to support the
- 9 prosecution during the trial. Of course there are other roles.
- 10 I am still not clear whether you on behalf of the consolidated
- 11 group accept the three witnesses; 126, 707, and 604. Can you say
- 12 in one word, "Yes, I accept them", or, "I object to one or more",
- 13 please?
- 14 MS. STUDZINSKY:
- 15 If I have the choice to say I accept them or object them, I can
- 16 let you know I accept them.
- 17 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 18 Thank you very much. Given that all three were proposed by the
- 19 prosecutors that is a very appropriate indication.
- 20 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 21 [10.30.25]
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Counsel Ang Udom, you may proceed.
- 24 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 25 Good Morning, Mr. President and Your Honours.

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- 1 Since Mr. Ieng Sary has experienced lumbago problem, could he be
- 2 excused and observe the proceedings from the holding cell this
- 3 morning and this afternoon?
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 We have taken note your request and that Mr. Ieng Sary is allowed
- 6 to be excused from this courtroom, and that he can still observe
- 7 the proceedings in the holding cell through the video link.
- 8 The security personnel are now instructed to, of course, take him
- 9 to the holding cell, and the AV officials are now instructed to
- 10 make sure that the video link is well installed so that he can
- 11 observe the proceedings through remote participation.
- 12 Next, it is an appropriate time for the adjournment, but before
- 13 the adjournment the Chamber would like to inform the parties and
- 14 the public that the public hearing session during the Initial
- 15 Hearing that has been conducted so far has come to the
- 16 conclusion, and the following session after the adjournment will
- 17 be in camera as requested by the national Co-Prosecutor.
- 18 [10.32.39]
- 19 During the closed session the hearing will be conducted very
- 20 briefly and there will be no hearing session this afternoon. We
- 21 hope this information will assist the public to make sure they
- 22 can return home this afternoon.
- 23 Counsel Karnavas, you may now proceed.
- 24 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 25 Thank you, Mr. President.

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- 1 I don't mean to upset the calendar for the Court, but I was under
- 2 the understanding that we were going to be discussing any other
- 3 matters that might be outstanding -- that was my impression -- at
- 4 the conclusion of dealing with this issue.
- 5 Now, if I misunderstood the Trial Chamber, then my apologies.
- 6 But there are some other issues which we feel should have been
- 7 included in, if not this Initial Hearing, a subsequent Initial
- 8 Hearing or hearings prior to the commencement of the trial.
- 9 So with all due respect, if it would be at all possible to deal
- 10 with those matters when we come back first, that will take about
- 11 15 or 20 minutes --15 minutes for me to raise, at least, what I
- 12 believe, are other additional matters which should have been
- 13 included in this or perhaps a subsequent initial hearing or
- 14 hearings, and then we can go into private session concerning the
- 15 one witness which the prosecution has objected to since the
- 16 public will no longer be needed to or be available to watch the
- 17 proceedings.
- 18 [10.34.44]
- 19 There are three matters that I believe are jurisdictional.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Could you please make it clear what would be the three issues
- 22 that you would like to be heard? We -- you can do that before
- 23 the break, and I think the Chamber will take the opportunity to
- 24 address these issues before the adjournment to save our time.
- 25 MR. KARNAVAS:

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- 1 Very well, Mr. President.
- 2 Now, I will not go through my entire presentation, just briefly
- 3 to mention the three issues. One is the applicability of
- 4 international law; the second is the applicability and
- 5 application of command responsibility; and another one deals with
- 6 the application of crimes against humanity.
- 7 It is our respectful submission that all three of these issues
- 8 are jurisdictional even if -- even if -- the matters that we are
- 9 contesting may go to what is considered the contours of the
- 10 applications of these laws. So that's essentially in a nutshell.
- 11 If this is not the appropriate time, but nonetheless these are
- 12 issues that must be resolved prior to trial, we can deal with
- 13 them in another hearing. But it is our respectful submission
- 14 that even if not characterised, or even if they don't come within
- 15 the strict definition of a jurisdictional issue, these issues, as
- 16 well as the issue on JCE must be addressed and resolved prior to
- 17 the commencement of the proceedings.
- 18 Whether we will be afforded the opportunity to give oral
- 19 argument, or rest on our pleadings, or make further submissions
- 20 as by way of a reply, if we were the moving party, we would
- 21 surely welcome instructions from the Trial Chamber.
- 22 [10.37.07]
- 23 I hope that has been of some assistance.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you, Counsel Karnavas.

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- 1 Mr. Koppe, you may now proceed.
- 2 MR. KOPPE:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 4 We have only one request for clarification, and it is something I
- 5 feel should be discussed in public and we could do that after the
- 6 break. But the request of clarification is about Rule 80(b), the
- 7 rule on the Initial Hearing.
- 8 We understand this provision to be as follows, it stipulates that
- 9 the Trial Chamber shall, at the Initial Hearing, consider the
- 10 list of potential witness. Now, we have understood this rule to
- 11 imply that the Initial Hearing is the time to debate publicly the
- 12 requests for witnesses from the parties, and that prosecution can
- 13 object to witnesses requested by the accused, and that we can
- 14 object to witnesses of the prosecution.
- 15 So, I mean, I'm speaking about the witnesses not included in the
- 16 tentative list. And we would like to have guidance on the word,
- 17 "consider" as laid down in Rule 80(b).
- 18 [10.38.38]
- 19 Is there going to be another Initial Hearing where we can argue
- 20 why our witnesses who are not on the tentative list should be, at
- 21 one point or another, on the final witness list. We just need
- 22 clarification on that specific issue.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Lead co-lawyer Fort, you may now proceed.
- 25 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT

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- 1 Yes, Mr. President.
- 2 We also believe that another Initial Hearing will be necessary in
- 3 order to discuss the lists, among other things, and also legal
- 4 points, and we would like to receive extra clarification
- 5 regarding another initial hearing, and we would like to know when
- 6 this Initial Hearing may be scheduled.
- 7 MR. SMITH:
- 8 Thank you, Your Honour.
- 9 Perhaps just briefly; the prosecution certainly supports as much
- 10 of a public hearing on these issues as possible, and we are aware
- 11 that a number of matters haven't been dealt with today, and we're
- 12 aware of your Order stating that you would advise us shortly as
- 13 to how they'll be dealt with.
- 14 [10.40.19]
- 15 But certainly we would like to support the defence and the civil
- 16 parties that as much of this hearing should be as public as
- 17 possible. And certainly because of the size of this trial, the
- 18 number of accused and civil parties, there's certainly quite a
- 19 number of issues that need to be resolved before the beginning of
- 20 the case. And so any more Initial Hearings, trial management
- 21 meetings, and meetings of that sort in the courtroom, we think
- 22 would be invaluable to ensure that once the trial starts it will
- 23 run smoothly.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you, the Co-Prosecutor.

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- 1 Judge Lavergne, you may now proceed.
- 2 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 3 Yes, thank you, Mr. President.
- 4 I have a few questions to put to Counsel Karnavas, because I am
- 5 afraid that his statements were not fully translated into French.
- 6 He brought up three issues that he would like to see covered
- 7 during an Initial Hearing, if I understood properly, but as far
- 8 as I know, I only heard the first issue regarding the
- 9 applicability of international law. So I do not exactly
- 10 understand what this means in this case, and I also heard about
- 11 crimes about humanity, but -- against humanity.
- 12 [10.41.58]
- 13 So what I'd like to know, if you are speaking about issues for
- 14 which you -- he was not able to file written submissions until
- 15 now, or these are completely new issues. What exactly is at
- 16 hand?
- 17 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 18 Thank you, Judge Lavergne.
- 19 To recap, there were three issues: the applicability of
- 20 international law, the applicability and application or the
- 21 extent to which command responsibility is applicable, and the
- 22 application of crimes against humanity.
- 23 To answer the latter part of your question, or the second part,
- 24 we filed written submissions. Rarely do we take a chance in
- 25 having an opportunity for all submissions, so we avail ourselves

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- 1 to filing written submissions.
- 2 So we have submissions, we have not filed replies. The
- 3 prosecution has filed their responses. Of course, our
- 4 submissions are based on what the Pre-Trial Chamber found, so the
- 5 issues have been litigated before the Pre-Trial Chamber. We made
- 6 submissions before you by way of a motion. The prosecution has
- 7 responded. We have not filed replies.
- 8 [10.43.31]
- 9 It is our understanding that these fall within the ambit of
- 10 jurisdictional issues and, therefore, can or should -- more in
- 11 the way of should -- be heard as jurisdictional issues, even
- 12 though when dealing with the contours under Rule 89.1(a) and
- 13 89.1(b). But even if -- even if -- the Trial Chamber were to
- 14 find that these are not necessarily jurisdictional issues because
- 15 it's not a matter of whether they apply but whether to what
- 16 extent they would apply, then we feel that these are the sort of
- 17 issues that need to be fully resolved prior to the commencement.
- 18 Now, with respect to JCE, since we're dealing with JCE 3, it is
- 19 our respectful submission that this is, indeed, a jurisdictional
- 20 issue; we're not talking about the contours because JCE 3 is
- 21 distinct. A decision was made that it doesn't fall within
- 22 customary international law during the temporal jurisdictional
- 23 period of this particular Tribunal. The parties had 30 days to
- 24 file the jurisdictional issues. The prosecution did not avail
- 25 itself, nonetheless, they filed this one. In any event, when we

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- 1 -- we already made a submission that it's untimely and should be
- 2 outright dismissed.
- 3 There's a pending motion which we filed on an expedited basis.
- 4 The reason for filing that motion was we want to know whether we
- 5 need to respond to it or not, or whether it should be objected
- 6 for lack of timeliness in the fact that it's a jurisdictional
- 7 issue. And I say this with all due respect.
- 8 And let me take this opportunity also, Your Honours, to extend an
- 9 apology to the prosecution. On Monday, I did not intend to say
- 10 that they tried to sabotage the Tribunal or the trial itself.
- 11 What I wished to convey is that it's -- they're delaying the
- 12 process. And I apologised privately to Mr. Cayley that I -- and
- 13 I say -- I take the opportunity now to do so in public, that it
- 14 is not my intention to delay the trial myself, but with respect
- 15 to this issue we feel that a decision was made.
- 16 [10.46.20]
- 17 The prosecution knew they were going to challenge it. We feel
- 18 it's a jurisdictional issue, and the reason we want a decision
- 19 now is because we're at the stage where we have to deal with the
- 20 facts and get ready for trial. And there's a lot of work that
- 21 needs to be done in filing a submission, and I can say with all
- 22 degree of certainty and humility that when we do file
- 23 submissions, we don't do so lightly. We try to present,
- 24 essentially, academic articles to you in trying to distil the law
- 25 into -- provide the best possible analysis that we know how. It

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- 1 is a lot of work that goes into making a -- preparing a
- 2 submission within the page limitations.
- 3 Now, some may not be accustomed to this sort of trial advocacy.
- 4 This is based on my own jurisdiction, but we try -- a lot of work
- 5 goes into this and that's why we feel that a decision, at least
- 6 early on, should be made on whether it should be accepted. We've
- 7 already begun the process because I'm not going to assume that
- 8 I'm going to win every motion that I file.
- 9 But, in any event, we believe that these three issues, and others
- 10 as well, must be resolved prior to the commencement of trial so
- 11 the parties have notice and certainty.
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Counsel, could you please hold on because we have been advised by
- 14 the A/V Unit that the DVD has run out. We may take a one minute
- 15 break so that the DVD is ready, installed, and we can then
- 16 continue.
- 17 (Short pause)
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Counsel Karnavas, you may continue.
- 20 [10.48.41]
- 21 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 22 As I was indicating, it is our submission that these three
- 23 particular issues that I've raised, these three motions, deal
- 24 with jurisdictional matters. Even if the Trial Chamber finds
- 25 that they do not, they're vitally important and they need to be

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- 1 resolved in advance so we can have some certainty and notice as
- 2 to what it is that we're going to do.
- 3 With respect to JCE, and JCE 3 in particular, I strongly disagree
- 4 with the prosecution's position that even if you were to find
- 5 that it doesn't apply, that you should seek further clarification
- 6 through amici. Why? Because when you begin the trial and we
- 7 begin the question of the witnesses, depending on where the law
- 8 is, what the contours are, that will -- from there, we will
- 9 decide to what extent we are going to cross-examine the witnesses
- 10 or question witnesses. And, therefore, we need certainty.
- 11 It is not a matter of re-characterisation. That mode of
- 12 liability was found not to have been a part of customary
- 13 international law. And if you were to buy the prosecutor's
- 14 argument that it needs to be re-classified, we would respectfully
- 15 request that that issue be resolved prior to the commencement of
- 16 the trial. It would also assist the prosecution because I'm
- 17 certain they would like some certainty.
- 18 That's all, Mr. President and Your Honours, and I appreciate and
- 19 I thank you for extending me this opportunity to make my
- 20 presentation.
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 International Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 23 MR. SMITH:
- 24 Just a brief response, Your Honour.
- 25 [10.50.42]

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- 1 As you know, this matter is before the Court. We certainly agree
- 2 with the defence that early resolution of the matter would assist
- 3 the parties.
- 4 As Your Honour is aware, we believe this matter is not
- 5 jurisdictional. I won't go into the argument of that; that is
- 6 not the purpose of today.
- 7 But perhaps one response about the remark the prosecution is
- 8 delaying things in this Trial. I think Your Honours are
- 9 well-aware and the parties are well-aware, the prosecution has
- 10 been as prompt, if not more prompt, than many of the other
- 11 parties in the proceedings in complying with Trial Chamber Orders
- 12 and, certainly, over the last five or six months, as Your Honours
- 13 are aware, the filings from particularly the Ieng Sary team have
- 14 been absolutely voluminous and we're responded to every one of
- 15 those on time, asking for very few extensions. And to say that
- 16 somehow or another that is not delaying the Trial and filing
- 17 three motions is I think is slightly contradictory.
- 18 So, Your Honours, just to make it clear for the record, we did
- 19 not wait to file these motions until this date. They are
- 20 re-characterisation motions. We could have filed them halfway
- 21 through the Trial, but we thought in the interests of the parties
- 22 we'd file them earlier so that there would be more clarity.
- 23 Thank you.
- 24 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 25 Mr. President, I do need to respond briefly.

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- 1 First and foremost because the impression is being given to the
- 2 public that somehow by filing voluminous filings, somehow is --
- 3 we're trying to delay. As I've indicated yesterday, these are
- 4 all new issues. Under the procedure, I'm entitled to represent
- 5 my client and to vigorously make filings to assist the Trial
- 6 Chamber in knowing what the law is. That's the reality in this
- 7 particular case.
- 8 The prosecution did not ask for, regrettably, a mere
- 9 re-characterisation. When you look at the substance, you look at
- 10 the first paragraph and then you look at what they're asking.
- 11 What they're asking is the dismissal of the Pre-Trial Chamber's
- 12 decision.
- 13 Now, as I've indicated earlier, a rose by any other name is a
- 14 rose, and you call the motion however you wish and you can dance
- 15 and dazzle around the issue but, at the end of the day when you
- 16 look at substance of it, what they're asking you to do is a
- 17 jurisdictional issue.
- 18 And if I've been filing a lot it's because I have an obligation
- 19 to be due diligent, and the prosecution on this instance has not
- 20 been due diligent or, in the alternative, have purposely waited
- 21 in order to get an advantage in this particular case. And that
- 22 was my -- that was what I was trying to convey.
- 23 [10.53.43]
- 24 I am not suggesting that they are purposely trying to delay the
- 25 trial -- let me make that clear, Mr. Smith -- that is not what

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- 1 I'm saying. What I am saying, however, that making these filings
- 2 at this late of the day, one, are prejudicial because they're
- 3 untimely and the Trial Chamber should not accept them. But, more
- 4 importantly, I think it is galling to say in your pleading, even
- 5 if you decide that the Pre-Trial Chamber was correct, then seek
- 6 outside legal assistance, as if you're not capable of it, to tell
- 7 you whether JCE 3 was part of customary international law.
- 8 That was the thrust of my argument. So, let me make it very
- 9 clear. We are not suggesting that the prosecution is attempting
- 10 to delay the process; they never have. I am suggesting, however,
- 11 that that motion is untimely; that most likely it was done for
- 12 tactical purposes; that it should be denied outright and we
- 13 should not even have to take the time to respond to it.
- 14 We will do as instructed, but we do feel that suggesting to you,
- 15 Your Honours, that somehow you should seek outside help even when
- 16 you -- even if you find that JCE 3 does not apply as the
- 17 Pre-Trial Chamber did in a 68-page decision and they've had five
- 18 or six months to get this act together to file the motion, then I
- 19 do think that would delay the process of the trial because I
- 20 don't feel that I should be able to -- that I can properly
- 21 represent my client if I don't know whether JCE 3 applies or does
- 22 not apply. And I would be making, at that point, a submission
- 23 for a stay of the proceedings until that is fully resolved.
- 24 And I also think it's almost insulting to suggest that you, Your
- 25 Honours, would need outside help after you make a decision.

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- 1 [10.55.44]
- 2 We would request, simply, that all these matters be resolved
- 3 early, and I trust that my extended apology to the prosecution
- 4 for my unfortunate use of the word "sabotage" will be accepted by
- 5 the prosecution and we can move on.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Thank you.
- 9 I think it's now the real appropriate time for the adjournment
- 10 and we will take 25 minutes break and resume afterword. And the
- 11 session will be in-camera.
- 12 (Judges exit courtroom)
- 13 (Court recesses from 1055H to 1128H)
- 14 (Judges enter courtroom)
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Please be seated. The Chamber is now back in session.
- 17 Before the adjournment, the Chamber advised the parties and the
- 18 public that when we resumed it will be a closed session hearing,
- 19 however, after the announcement there was a request by a party.
- 20 Therefore, there is a need to respond to the request by the
- 21 party. As the request was made in public, then the Chamber
- 22 decided to have the -- to reply to their response in public as
- 23 well.
- 24 I would like now to give the floor to Judge Silvia Cartwright to
- 25 respond to the request by that party.

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- 1 The floor is yours.
- 2 [11.30.11]
- 3 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 4 Thank you, President.
- 5 As indicated, the President has asked me to clarify certain
- 6 matters in relation to requests made by the parties before the
- 7 break.
- 8 First, in relation to legal issues, the Chamber has already
- 9 indicated on the first day of the Initial Hearing that if further
- 10 filings or submissions are required the Chamber will indicate
- 11 this at a later date. In addition, if any further public
- 12 hearings for oral argument are required, those hearings will be
- 13 announced giving as much notice as possible.
- 14 The Chamber needs to confirm that it is well aware of the
- 15 difficulties faced by counsel and the parties when they do not
- 16 have a precise agenda for future hearings and will take this into
- 17 consideration on all occasions.
- 18 The Trial Chamber secondly confirms that whether it considers
- 19 legal issues are jurisdictional or not, it will rule on all those
- 20 it considers are necessary for determination as soon as possible.
- 21 Thirdly, the Trial Chamber has already indicated that, if needed,
- 22 hearings on the issue of fitness-to-stand-trial will be scheduled
- 23 in late August.
- 24 And, finally, in relation to the indication from the Office of
- 25 Co-Prosecutors that it intends to put forward an additional 15

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- 1 witnesses for the Trial Chamber's consideration and prospective
- 2 addition to the tentative list, it has until the 5th of July to
- 3 provide that list, which is to be circulated to the parties who
- 4 will have the opportunity to make comment on those additional 15
- 5 witnesses by Friday 8 July.
- 6 The Chamber wishes to emphasise that any comments by the other
- 7 parties should be only new information, that is, information that
- 8 the Trial Chamber has not already been provided with in earlier
- 9 comments on the circulated witness lists.
- 10 [11.34.05]
- 11 President, I think that's everything at this stage, unless there
- 12 is something that you wish to add?
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Thank you, Judge Cartwright, for the clarification to the
- 15 parties.
- 16 We shall now have an in-camera hearing. We would like to
- 17 instruct the AV Unit to disconnect the audio and video output to
- 18 the public gallery. When it's ready, please advise us so the
- 19 in-camera hearing can proceed.
- 20 Court Officer, can you advise the Chamber how long does the AV
- 21 Unit need, so that the in-camera hearing can be conducted without
- 22 having the audio/visual out to the public gallery?
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 I noted Pich Ang is on his feet.
- 25 MR. PICH ANG:

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- 1 Mr. President, I'd like to get a clarification from you.
- 2 The civil parties who are parties to the proceedings in Case 002,
- 3 would you allow them to stay and hear the in-camera hearing?
- 4 They are also part of the proceedings of the case, Your Honour.
- 5 (Deliberation between Judges)
- 6 [11.39.52]
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 In order to clarify the matter, firstly, the Chamber allows the
- 9 civil parties who are present right now in the courtroom behind
- 10 the civil party lawyers to stay during the in-camera hearing, but
- 11 they shall ensure that the confidentiality of the in-camera
- 12 hearing shall be maintained.
- 13 If it leaks out, then the Chamber will consider for future
- 14 in-camera hearings not to allow them to participate.
- 15 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 16 Thank you, Mr. President. We don't want to make a case today
- 17 because this is not the time, but we do wish that in future if
- 18 there are any in-camera meetings, if civil parties are not in the
- 19 courtroom but instead are in the public gallery, that they may
- 20 stay. We will not insist on that today, but in future we wish to
- 21 receive indication.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Judge Lavergne, you may proceed.
- 25 [11.41.22]

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- 1 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 2 Yes, there's a straightforward reason which underpins our
- 3 decision.
- 4 It is rather complicated to determine who among the public are
- 5 civil parties and who are not. It is absolutely impossible from
- 6 here to decide who is whom, therefore, we shall allow those who
- 7 are present here in the courtroom to remain so long as they
- 8 respect confidentiality. I believe that this is abundantly
- 9 clear.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Counsel Ang Udom, you may proceed.
- 13 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 14 Good morning, Mr. President.
- 15 For the in-camera hearing, I would like to check whether my
- 16 client, who is in the waiting room downstairs, whether the
- 17 communication is liaised to him? I've just received a call from
- 18 my client that he cannot hear or see the proceeding.
- 19 Is it also in-camera for him? Thank you.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Court Officer, what is the progress now?
- 22 And also the communication between the courtroom to the waiting
- 23 room downstairs for the accused, has it been connected?
- 24 (Court adjourns at 1149H into closed session )