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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR
Freetown – Sierra Leone

IN THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before:

Hon. Justice Renate Winter, Prc-Hearing Judge

Acting Registrar:

Ms. Binta Mansaray

Date filed:

26 June 2009

THE PROSECUTOR

Against

ISSA HASSAN SESAY MORRIS KALLON

AUGUSTINE GBAO

Case No. SCSL-04-15-A

PUBLIC

PROSECUTION REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF PAGE LIMIT FOR RESPONSE TO SESAY RULE 115 MOTION

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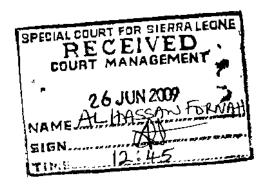
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- 1. In the "Decision on Urgent Request to File a Motion in Excess of Ten Pages" dated 22 June 2009, the Pre-Hearing Judge ordered that the Defence for Issa Hassan Sesay may file a motion pursuant to Rule 115 not to exceed twenty (20) pages, instead of the normal page limit of 10 pages.
- 2. The Prosecution now applies for an order that the Prosecution response to that Rule 115 motion shall also have a page limit of 20 pages instead of the normal page limit of 10 pages.
- 3. Until the Defence Rule 115 motion is filed, the Prosecution will not know whether it will need these additional pages. However, it can reasonably be anticipated that more than the normal limit of 10 pages will be required to respond to a motion of 20 pages. Given that the response is due within 10 days of the filing of the Defence motion, it is submitted that it would be appropriate, in order for the Prosecution to be able to plan its work from the outset, to know what its page limit will be at the commencement of its work on the response.
- 4. The general practice in the Special Court is that the page limit for responses is the same as the page limit for the motion to which they are responding. It is submitted that there are no special circumstances why this general practice should be departed from on this occasion.

Filed in Freetown, 26 June 2009

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Index of Authorities

Decisions

Prosecutor v. Sesay et al., SCSL-04-15-1289, "Decision on Urgent Request to File a Motion in Excess of Ten Pages", 22 June 2009.

Rules of Procedure and Evidence

Rule 115 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence of the Special Court for Sierra Leone as amended 27 May 2008.