



THE SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE

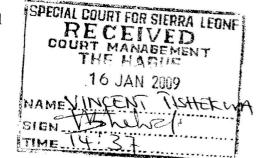
In Trial Chamber II

Before: Justice Teresa Doherty, Presiding Justice Richard Lussick Justice Julia Sebutinde Justice El Hadji Malick Sow, Alternate

Registrar: Mr. Herman von Hebel

Date: 16 January 2009

Case No.: SCSL-2003-01-T



THE PROSECUTOR

CHARLES GHANKAY TAYLOR

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DEFENCE RESPONSE TO CONFIDENTIAL PROSECUTION NOTICE UNDER RULE 92bis FOR THE ADMISSION OF EVIDENCE RELATED TO *INTER ALIA* FREETOWN & WESTERN AREA – TF1-169

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- 1. On 12 January 2009, the Prosecution filed a confidential Notice Under Rule 92bis for the Admission of Evidence Related to Inter Alia Freetown & Western Area TF1-169.¹
- 2. In the Notice, the Prosecution seeks admission of two prior statements given by Witness TF1-169.² Although the witness previously testified in the AFRC Trial and was called for cross-examination in the RUF Trial, the Prosecution does not now seek admission of the related prior trial transcripts.³
- 3. The Defence does not object to the admission of these two statements under Rule 92bis.
- 4. Additionally, since no aspect of the witness' evidence is pivotal to the Prosecution's case, in the sense that it does not describe the acts or conduct of the Accused and/ or those of specific persons proximate to the Accused, nor does it go to a critical element of the Prosecution's case,⁴ the Defence does not wish to cross-examine Witness TF1-169.

Respectfully Submitted,

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¹ Prosecutor v. Taylor, SCSL-03-01-T-710, Confidential Prosecution Notice Under Rule 92bis for the Admission of Evidence Related to Inter Alia Freetown & Western Area – TF1-169, 12 January 2009 ("Notice").

² Notice, para. 2.

³ Notice, paras. 12-13.

⁴ Notice, paras. 21-22.

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