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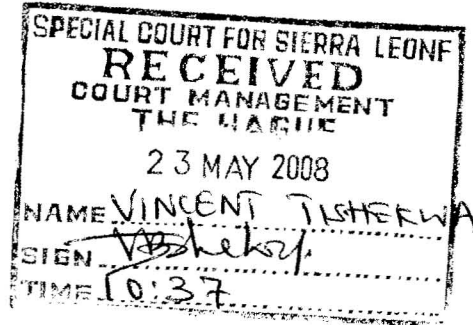
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SPECIAL COURT FOR SIERRA LEONE
OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR
Freetown – Sierra Leone

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

Registrar: Mr. Herman von Hebel

Date filed: 23 May 2008



THE PROSECUTOR

Against

Charles Ghankay Taylor

Case No. SCSL-03-01-T

PUBLIC

URGENT PROSECUTION REQUEST FOR DECISION

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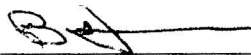
I. INTRODUCTION

1. On 28 January 2008, the Defence filed an application to exclude the evidence of Prosecution expert witness Corinne Dufka or, in the alternative to limit its scope.¹
2. The Prosecution filed its response to the application on 1 February 2008² and the Defence filed its Reply on 7 February 2008.³ A decision on the Application is pending. In addition to *viva voce* testimony, the Prosecution sought to introduce numerous exhibits through this witness.⁴

II. REQUEST

3. The Prosecution respectfully requests that the Trial Chamber urgently decide this outstanding Application. The Prosecution requires a decision in order to effectively and efficiently organise and present its case. The Trial Chamber's decision may require the Prosecution to elicit additional evidence and/or to introduce documentary evidence by other means. This in turn would involve re-evaluation of existing evidence and would possibly require additional investigation and recourse to additional witnesses in order to provide the type of evidence offered by this witness. This process would also have logistical consequences, which the Prosecution would be required to deal with in a timely fashion.
4. For all these reasons it would be helpful to the Prosecution's ability to plan its case to have the decision on this Application urgently decided, and the Prosecution respectfully requests that the Trial Chamber do so.

Filed in The Hague,
23 May 2008,
For the Prosecution,



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¹ *Prosecutor v Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-402, "Defence Application to Exclude the evidence of Proposed Prosecution expert Witness Corrine Dufka or, in the Alternative, to Limit its Scope", 28 January 2008 ("Application").

² *Prosecutor v Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-406, "Prosecution Response to Defence Application to Exclude the evidence of Proposed Prosecution expert Witness Corrine Dufka or, in the Alternative, to Limit its Scope", 1 February 2008.

³ *Prosecutor v Taylor*, SCSL-03-01-T-412, "Defence Reply to Prosecution Response to Defence Application to Exclude the evidence of Proposed Prosecution expert Witness Corrine Dufka or, in the Alternative, to Limit its Scope", 7 February 2008.

⁴ Prosecution Exhibits marked for identification as MFI 1- MFI 15.

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