

Case No. SCSL-2003-01-T

THE PROSECUTOR OF THE SPECIAL COURT CHARLES GHANKAY TAYLOR

FRIDAY, 16 APRIL 2010 9.34 A.M. TRI AL

TRIAL CHAMBER II

Before the Judges: Justice Julia Sebutinde, Presiding

Justice Richard Lussick Justice Teresa Doherty

Justice El Hadji Malick Sow, Alternate

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Mr Mohamed A Bangura Ms Maja Dimitrova

For the accused Charles Ghankay Mr Courtenay Griffiths QC

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Ms Logan Hambrick

|          | 1  | Friday, 16 April 2010   |
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|          | 2  | [Open session]  |
|          | 3  | [The accused present]   |
|          | 4  | [Upon commencing at 9.34 a.m.]                                    |
| 09:27:38 | 5  | PRESIDING JUDGE: Good morning. We will take appearances           |
|          | 6  | first, please.  |
|          | 7  | MR KOUMJIAN: Good morning, Madam President. Good morning,         |
|          | 8  | your Honours, counsel opposite. For the Prosecution this          |
|          | 9  | morning, Mohamed A Bangura, Maja Dimitrova and Nicholas Koumjian. |
| 09:35:11 | 10 | MR GRIFFITHS: Good morning, your Honours, Madam President,        |
|          | 11 | counsel opposite. For the Defence today, myself Courtenay         |
|          | 12 | Griffiths, with me Ms Logan Hambrick.                             |
|          | 13 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Good morning, Mr Fayia. We will continue         |
|          | 14 | your testimony today, and I remind you that you are still bound   |
| 09:35:29 | 15 | by your oath to tell the truth in your testimony.                 |
|          | 16 | Mr Griffiths, you are ready to continue?                          |
|          | 17 | MR GRIFFITHS: Yes.  |
|          | 18 | WITNESS: DCT-306 [On former oath]                                 |
|          | 19 | EXAMINATION-IN-CHIEF BY MR GRIFFITHS: [Cont'd]                    |
| 09:35:47 | 20 | Q. Mr Fayia, I want us today to deal with various accounts        |
|          | 21 | given to these judges by witnesses called over the course of      |
|          | 22 | these proceedings for your comment and to give you an             |
|          | 23 | opportunity, if you disagree with anything, to let us know. Do    |
|          | 24 | you follow?   |
| 09:36:19 | 25 | A. Yes, counsel.  |
|          | 26 | Q. Now, the first witness I want to deal with is an individual    |
|          | 27 | who gave evidence to these judges in January of last year and     |
|          | 28 | told the judges, first of all, that Isatta Kallon was a           |
|          | 29 | go-between between the external delegations and Corporal Sankoh.  |

- 1 Is that correct?
- 2 A. Very true.
- 3 Q. Now, that individual also went on to say that when he
- 4 arrived in Danane in May, at the time that he arrived in Danane
- 09:37:14 5 Alhaji Kamara, Philip Sannoh, Mr Kono Manyi, Deen-Jalloh, and
  - 6 yourself were already in Danane. Now, who is Mr Kono Manyi?
  - 7 A. Kono Manyi was on the external delegation. He is a Sierra
  - 8 Leonean, a Kono by tribe. In fact, his name is 'Kono people are
  - 9 back'. That is the meaning of his name, Kono Manyi.
- 09:37:46 10 Q. And who is Alhaji Kamara?
  - 11 A. Alhaji Kamara was the man who was arrested together with
  - 12 Palmer in Guinea. So as a matter of fact, Alhaji Kamara was
  - 13 never in Ivory Coast with us.
  - 14 Q. Now, that individual told these judges, and I quote:
- 09:38:17 15 "All of them, apart from Alhaji Kamara, were already
  - 16 residing in Danane, including Philip Sannoh, Mr Kono Manyi,
  - 17 Deen-Jalloh and Fayia Musa."
  - Now, Philip Sannoh, who is that?
  - 19 A. Philip Sannoh was the radio operator that went with me.
- 09:38:43 20 Q. And the witness told the judges that when he arrived, those
  - 21 individuals he named were living at Houphouetville in Danane. Is
  - 22 that true?
  - 23 A. Yes, we were living there.
  - 24 Q. And that on his arrival he was taken to Belleville 2 no
- 09:39:09 25 Belleville 1?
  - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: Please. Yes, Mr Koumjian.
  - 27 MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour, I am concerned with whether
  - 28 counsel is complying with what we discussed yesterday afternoon,
  - 29 and I don't think --

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: Why are you wondering?
- 2 MR KOUMJIAN: Because I believe there's quite details
- 3 that are unique absolutely clearly unique in what is being
- 4 read.
- 09:39:36 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Griffiths, what is your response?
  - 6 MR GRIFFITHS: I really don't see the sense of the
  - 7 objection. The witness has to be given an opportunity to deal
  - 8 with the accounts and to comment on it, and it seems to me that
  - 9 the objection is totally misplaced.
- 09:40:11 10 [Trial Chamber conferred]
  - 11 PRESIDING JUDGE: We happen to disagree with the objection
  - 12 raised. And also may I caution, with all due respect to both
  - parties, sometimes there is more harm in raising these objections
  - 14 than good. Because as we carry along, perhaps unless you
- 09:40:33 15 really have to object to a question, you may actually raise
  - 16 concern for nothing, where a concern could be avoided. So we do
  - 17 overrule the objection. Please continue.
  - 18 MR GRIFFITHS:
  - 19 Q. Now, did you or any of the external delegation stay at a
- 09:40:53 20 place called Belleville 1?
  - 21 A. Yeah, some of them were staying there. Palmer was staying
  - in Belleville 1.
  - 23 Q. Now, that individual went on to say that at Belleville 1
  - that was where the radio station was, the communication station,
- 09:41:12 25 the field radio. Is that true?
  - 26 A. Yeah, that's very true.
  - 27 Q. And that that was an NPFL radio. Is that true?
  - 28 A. Yes.
  - 29 Q. In fact, that was the residence of Mr Musa Cisse. Is that

- 1 right?
- 2 A. Yeah, before the coming of our own --
- 3 Q. So before the coming of your own radio, you used the
- 4 radio an NPFL radio which was at the residence of Musa Cisse in
- 09:41:45 5 Belleville 1. Is that true?
  - 6 A. Yes.
  - 7 Q. Thank you. Now, the witness went on to say this:
  - 8 "When I met my friends, the other delegates, they were just
  - 9 residing blindly in Danane and so I asked them what contacts they
- 09:42:10 10 made so far. They said, well, the only contact was Mr Musa
  - 11 Cisse's house wherein they could talk with Corporal Sankoh
  - 12 anytime or they could talk with our brothers in RUF territories.
  - 13 I said, 'But what about your status here? Have you established
  - 14 your status here? Have you made the authorities to know that you
- 09:42:34 15 are existing here as a movement?' They said, no. I said, 'Well,
  - 16 it's dangerous to live like this. So let's try and do that.' So
  - 17 we all left and went and met the perfect, the perfect of Danane."
  - Now, Mr Fayia --
  - 19 MR KOUMJIAN: Excuse me, your Honour acknowledging what
- 09:42:56 20 your Honour just said, may the record just reflect my continuing
  - 21 objection to the questions.
  - 22 PRESIDING JUDGE: Of course the record does reflect what
  - 23 you are saying. Please continue.
  - MR GRIFFITHS:
- 09:43:06 25 Q. Now, my question, Mr Fayia, is this: Whose decision was it
  - 26 to alert the perfect of Danane to the presence of RUF
  - 27 representatives in that town? Whose decision was it?
  - 28 A. It was purely in the first place I would like to say here
  - 29 that the last person who joined us on the external delegation in

- 1 Danane was Captain Palmer, because when he and Mr Danger Left our
- 2 zone to come to Danane through Guinea, he and Alhaji Brima Kamara
- 3 were both arrested in Guinea. I think I have said that here
- 4 before. So he was there up until when I came to --
- 09:44:04 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Fayia, are you answering the question
  - 6 asked, or you are telling us your own story?
  - 7 THE WITNESS: Sorry.
  - 8 PRESIDING JUDGE: You were asked a specific question and I
  - 9 will caution you to answer the questions asked, not to meander
- 09:44:21 10 off. Please ask your question again precisely, Mr Griffiths.
  - 11 MR GRIFFITHS:
  - 12 Q. Who made the decision, Mr Fayia, to alert the prefect of
  - 13 the presence of RUF representatives in Danane?
  - 14 A. It was we who were in the first delegation.
- 09:44:38 15 Q. And by "we" to whom are you referring?
  - 16 A. I am referring to myself and Mr Ibrahim Deen-Jalloh.
  - 17 Q. Now, we were also told this:
  - 18 "Because we were able to prevail on Mr Amara Essy that we
  - 19 didn't mean harm, all we wanted was to get in contact with our
- 09:45:29 20 brothers in the diaspora and at the same time to open up with the
  - 21 international community so we expected them to assist us to
  - 22 achieve our goals. So while in Ivory Coast we met with
  - 23 representatives from the Commonwealth, from the OAU, from the UN,
  - the Red Cross and other organisations, even International Alert."
- 09:45:52 25 Do you agree with that?
  - 26 A. Yes, I do.
  - 27 Q. And the contact with International Alert was through
  - 28 Mr Akyaada Addai Sebo?
  - 29 A. Yes.

Q. And that he was a Ghanaian working for International Alert 1 2 who was a special envoy of International Alert. Is that correct? 3 Α. Very correct. 4 Q. Now, we were also told this: 09:46:31 "In early 1996 an important event I can recall is there was 5 a national forum held in Sierra Leone in early 1996 and the 6 7 theme of the national forum was for election before peace or peace before election, so all stakeholders were invited 8 9 to the national forum including the RUF. But as we learnt later, the RUF was not represented. So that is the only 09:46:57 10 11 one I can recall. 12 0. What was the result of the forum? In the forum, it was unanimously agreed that elections 13 Α. should be held before peace. 14 What was Foday Sankoh's reaction to this decision? 09:47:13 15 0. Foday Sankoh was not in favour of election before 16 17 He wanted peace before elections. And I think that peace. was why in fact he did not send a representative at the 18 national conference. 19 09:47:31 20 Did you become aware of any actions he took, that being 21 Foday Sankoh, to try to have peace before elections?" 22 Then this: 23 "After the result, the result of the national forum was 24 announced, much to the dismay of Corporal Sankoh, then he called 09:47:48 25 a meeting of his combatants at Zogoda. At the meeting Mr Fayia

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Musa was there who represented us from the external delegation.

meeting, so he came back and reported to us the outcome of the

He had travelled from Danane all the way to Zogoda for that

- 1 Is that true?
- 2 A. Yeah, that's true.
- 3 Q. So at the time of the national forum, Sankoh decided not to
- 4 send a representative. Is that right?
- 09:48:18 5 A. Where?
  - 6 Q. To the national forum held in Sierra Leone as to whether to
  - 7 have elections before peace or peace before elections. The RUF
  - 8 were not represented there?
  - 9 A. No, the RUF was not represented.
- 09:48:30 10 Q. Why had you travelled to Zogoda at that time?
  - 11 A. I travelled to Zogoda for two reasons. One, to reemphasise
  - 12 to Mr Sankoh the essence for him to embrace the peace process
  - 13 because we had done a lot of work on it. Secondly, I wanted,
  - 14 because when he said CO Mohamed would be there, since he is
- 09:48:58 15 second in command to him, we found it at the external delegation
  - 16 level that it was necessary for me to be there so we can prevail
  - on him together to accept whatever the result was in Freetown.
  - 18 In fact, to send somebody. So that was the reason for my going.
  - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Fayia, I am going to caution you again
- 09:49:13 20 to speak clearly. I know you have a tendency to sort of jump
  - 21 over some words. The transcriber will find it difficult if you
  - don't slow down.
  - THE WITNESS: Okay.
  - 24 PRESIDING JUDGE: Slowing and articulating yourself,
- 09:49:28 **25** please.
  - 26 THE WITNESS: Yeah, sorry. I had to go to Zogoda once
  - 27 again for two reasons. One, to continue to prevail on Mr Sankoh
  - 28 to respect the peace process and to emphasise to him the need -
  - 29 to reemphasise to him the need to see that the armed aspect of

1 the conflict was no longer relevant.

- 2 MR GRIFFITHS:
- 3 Q. Now, we were then told by this individual that Foday Sankoh
- 4 expressed his dismay about the decision taken in Freetown for
- 09:50:37 5 elections to be held before peace:
  - 6 "According to him, that couldn't have given better
  - 7 representation within the country because there were some areas
  - 8 inaccessible for the election process to be carried out since the
  - 9 country was still at war. But he said since the other
- 09:50:55 10 stakeholders have agreed, that is what it should be, that is,
  - 11 that at all costs they should conduct elections before they talk
  - 12 about the peace process, he said his combatants should run an
  - 13 operation to stop the election."
  - 14 Is that true?
- 09:51:12 15 A. Yeah, he told us in that particular meeting yes, he told
  - 16 us in that particular meeting that he had in fact discussed with
  - 17 Maada Bio to work together to disrupt the elections.
  - 18 Q. And indeed, this individual went on to say:
  - 19 "In fact, he explained to them" that being Sankoh "that
- 09:51:33 20 he had talked with Brigadier Julius Maada Bio on the same issue
  - 21 and that Maada too was not in favour of election before peace.
  - 22 So he was sending his combatants to go and disrupt the polling
  - 23 stations so that in the major towns like Kenema and Bo so that no
  - 24 election will take place there. But in the event wherein the
- 09:51:56 25 citizens insist or come out in their numbers to force themselves
  - 26 to vote, anyone they lay hand on they should cut the very hands
  - 27 they wanted to use to go and cast their votes" and that it was
  - 28 Sankoh who gave that instruction.
  - 29 Is that true?

- 1 A. In fact, that was yes, in fact that was the very time
- 2 when the when some of us decided to pack our bags and leave
- 3 because CO Mohamed actually told him, he said, "That is wrong.
- 4 What the instruction" CO Mohamed told him that what he the
- 09:52:33 5 instruction he was giving was wrong, very, very wrong. He said
  - 6 because that will not sell the RUF very well.
  - 7 Q. Now, Mr Fayia, help me with this: Prior to this
  - 8 instruction, were you aware of any instance where the RUF
  - 9 amputated people?
- 09:53:01 10 A. No, counsel.
  - 11 Q. So that as far as you're aware, was this the first time
  - 12 that the RUF were directly instructed by Foday Sankoh to amputate
  - 13 people?
  - 14 A. That was the very first time I heard that one. Very, very
- 09:53:20 15 first time.
  - 16 Q. And Brigadier Maada Bio with whom Sankoh claimed he had
  - 17 discussed this, who was Brigadier Maada Bio?
  - 18 A. Brigadier Maada Bio was the Head of State at that time,
  - 19 military Head of State for the NPRC.
- 09:53:38 20 Q. Now, can you help us as to how Sankoh would have been able
  - 21 to discuss such an operation with Brigadier Maada Bio?
  - 22 A. The radio set that he had the radio set that Foday Sankoh
  - 23 had was the one he was using to talk to Freetown in general.
  - 24 Q. And so we have a situation where Maada Bio, the leader of
- 09:54:04 25 the country at the time, is discussing with Sankoh to disrupt the
  - 26 very elections which Maada Bio had decided to hold. Is that
  - 27 right?
  - 28 A. Yeah, that was what Foday Sankoh told us.
  - 29 Q. Now, we were also told this. You accept, do you not, that

- 1 whilst in Danane, Mike Lamin suddenly surfaced unexpectedly and
- 2 met up with you. Is that right?
- 3 A. Yeah, that's very right. I have said it before.
- 4 Q. Now, we were told this:
- 09:54:51 5 "From that time, nobody within the RUF knew what happened
  - 6 to Mike." This is after Mike was arrested by the NPFL. "Not
  - 7 until we surprisingly saw him. He met us in Danane in late 1995.
  - 8 So we asked him what has happened. He explained. He said, in
  - 9 fact he heard over the international media that there were
- 09:55:17 10 arrangements for peace talks to be arranged in Ivory Coast
  - 11 between the RUF and the government. So that was what prompted
  - 12 him to come back and join the to meet Corporal Sankoh. He
  - 13 Learned that Corporal Sankoh was in Abidjan. So he told him,
  - 14 yes, he was in Abidjan. I made a call to Corporal Sankoh that
- 09:55:38 15 Mike has reached to me and then he" that being Sankoh "told
  - 16 me to facilitate his trip to him at Abidjan, which I did. So
  - 17 Mike went and met him."
  - Now, the question I am asking is this: When you first saw
  - 19 Mike Lamin in Ivory Coast, was Sankoh in Ivory Coast at that
- 09:56:04 **20 time?** 
  - 21 A. No, no, because that was in the first week in January
  - 22 1996.
  - 23 Q. So this suggestion that after Lamin met up with you
  - 24 external delegates, Lamin was taken to meet Sankoh in Abidjan.
- 09:56:24 **25** Is that correct?
  - 26 A. No, it's incorrect.
  - 27 Q. Where was Sankoh at the time you first saw Lamin in Danane?
  - 28 A. Sankoh was in Zogoda.
  - 29 Q. Now, this person was asked this:

1 "O. How long did Mike Lamin stay in Ivory Coast on that 2 occasi on? He didn't stay too long. It was less than a week." 3 4 Is that right? Α. Yes, that's right. That was the very week I took 09:56:50 5 Yeah. him. I said before, that was the very week I took him to Zogoda, 6 7 he and one of his bodyguards, Massaquoi. 8 Q. Because we were then told: 9 "Q. Where did Mike Lamin go then? He came back to Danane upon the instruction of Corporal 09:57:10 10 11 Sankoh. In fact, that was the time Corporal Sankoh 12 instructed Mr Fayia Musa to travel with him back into the jungle so that there will be no problem of security. 13 Thev will know that he is coming from to him. So it was 14 Mr Fayia Musa went with Mike Lamin back to Zogoda and 09:57:31 15 reported him. 16 17 And at Zogoda do you know - you mentioned Fayia Musa going to a meeting with Foday Sankoh. When was that 18 19 occasi on? 09:57:46 20 That was January. 21 And when was it that Fayia Musa went to Zogoda with 22 Mi ke Lamin? 23 After that, after that programme when Mike came to 24 Danane in Abidjan." 09:57:59 25 Is that true? 26 No, it's not true. I disagree with him. Because I said earlier Mike Lamin met us in Danane for the first week in 27 28 January. That was the time I was preparing to go to Sankoh. 29 said he wanted to see Sankoh. I said I will try to get him there

- 1 for you to see him. So I tried. In fact, Addai-Sebo who gave us
- 2 the transportation to go. He gave me the money. There was some
- 3 money he wanted me to give to somebody in Guinea, one gendarmerie
- 4 in Guinea who had helped him. But he told me, Since you are
- 09:58:43 5 going with Mike and you don't have enough money there, you can
  - 6 use that money to pay your transportation. It was the money  ${\sf I}$
  - 7 used to take Mike Lamin and his bodyguard to Zogoda I mean, up
  - 8 sorry, up to the Guinea border, because in our zoe we used to
  - 9 walk.
- 09:59:02 10 Q. Thank you. Now, we were also told that when Sankoh came to
  - 11 the Ivory Coast, the Ivorian government provided him with six
  - 12 cars in his villa at Cocody, and then they gave him a satellite
  - 13 phone which he was using to do communications with so he could
  - 14 communicate. He could move around with vehicles and then
- 09:59:26 15 communicate using the satellite phone. Is that true?
  - 16 A. Some are true, some are not. First of all, he was not
  - immediately given a house with the six cars when he got to
  - 18 Abidjan. He was given the house and the six cars when he decided
  - 19 to leave Hotel Ivoire. He said he could not stand the heights.
- 09:59:56 20 Then the satellite phone was given to him by Omrie Golley. Omrie
  - 21 Golley said that was his own contribution to the peace process -
  - 22 the start of his own contribution to the peace process. So the
  - 23 Ivorians gave him a place at the hotel, Hotel Ivoire first of
  - 24 all, and then later at whole house at Cocody with six cars and
- 10:00:22 25 security, but they did not give him a satellite phone. The
  - satellite phone was given to him by Omrie Golley.
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: Did you say later they gave him a whole
  - 28 house?
  - 29 THE WITNESS: Yes.

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: And six cars?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- PRESIDING JUDGE: Because that doesn't appear in the
- 4 LiveNote transcript at all. Again I will caution you, sir, to
- 10:00:46 5 speak articulately; not to eat your words. And, you see, you
  - 6 need to slow down. That's why some of what you're saying is not
  - 7 recorded.
  - 8 THE WITNESS: Oh.
  - 9 MR GRIFFITHS:
- 10:01:10 10 Q. We were also told this and it's dealing with the various
  - 11 trips you described around the sub-region to meet other West
  - 12 African leaders. Do you recall telling us that?
  - 13 A. Yes, I do.
  - 14 Q. That you spent but one night in Ouagadougou; is that true?
- 10:01:33 15 A. Yeah.
  - 16 Q. And from Ouagadougou you went to Libya, yes?
  - 17 A. Yes.
  - 18 Q. Tell me, did Philip Palmer go to Libya with you?
  - 19 A. No, he did not. Yes, sorry. He went with us to Libya. He
- 10:01:57 20 did. It was Nigeria he did not go.
  - 21 Q. And is it right that you spent two nights in Libya?
  - 22 A. Yes, we spent two nights in Libya.
  - 23 Q. And that you then came back to Ouagadougou and from there
  - 24 travelled to Accra in Ghana?
- 10:02:20 **25** A. Yes.
  - 26 Q. When you were in Libya, did you meet Colonel Gaddafi?
  - 27 A. No. It was the man who took us there, Musa. It was he who
  - 28 was always with us. But we were in a very new hotel by the sea.
  - 29 Q. Now, it's right, isn't it, that when you went to see Sani

- 1 Abacha you were given US\$50,000 in traveller's cheques along with
- 2 some clothing?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Now, can I ask you this, Mr Fayia. Gifts of money like
- 10:03:12 5 that, the 50,000 from Sani Abacha, the 40,000 from Blaise
  - 6 Compaore, was it normal to receive gifts like that from West
  - 7 African Leaders?
  - 8 A. Yes, yes. In fact, sometimes they call it your
  - 9 transportation to go back.
- 10:03:39 10 Q. Now, we were also told this: Before we arrived at
  - 11 Balahun remember the trip you made to explain the details of
  - 12 the Abidjan Peace Accord to the combatants?
  - 13 A. Yeah.
  - 14 Q. "Before we arrived at Balahun, there was a communication
- 10:04:03 15 between Corporal Sankoh and Sam Bockarie and the combatants. At
  - 16 that time Sam was now in control, so they were at the field, the
  - 17 football field to receive us. But before then, while we were in
  - 18 Ivory Coast, there were rumours filtering to us from Kailahun
  - 19 that the combatants were unhappy with Corporal Sankoh because he
- 10:04:26 20 had overstayed in Ivory Coast. The time he was leaving for Ivory
  - 21 Coast, he didn't categorically tell them that he was coming for
  - 22 peace talks. He said he was coming to make arrangements for
  - 23 fighting materials. So to them, he has overstayed. And in his
  - 24 absence, the enemy, that is, the civil defence force, so what we
- 10:04:52 25 used to call the Kamajors, they have overrun most of the RUF
  - 26 positions to the extent that the RUF has even lost to Zogoda
  - 27 headquarters and other places like Payamah and a lot of the
  - 28 commanders had lost their lives along with the civilians. So
  - 29 there was that disgruntledness even within the commando fold in

- 1 Kailahun and the RUF-controlled area of Kailahun. So he, that
- 2 is, Sankoh, personally told us before we left that he had a
- 3 report that the combatants wanted to kill him."
- 4 Is that true?
- 10:05:33 5 A. Yes, it's true.
  - 6 Q. So --
  - 7 PRESIDING JUDGE: Sorry, is what true?
  - 8 MR GRIFFITHS: Very well. I am going to break it down.
  - 9 Q. First of all, is it right that when you went to Balahun,
- 10:05:45 10 everyone was assembled at the football ground?
  - 11 A. Yes, in Balahun, yes, they were there.
  - 12 Q. Now, did you hear that Sankoh had told the combatants, when
  - 13 he left for the Ivory Coast, that he wasn't going for peace
  - 14 talks; he was going to get fighting materials. Did you know
- 10:06:03 15 that?
  - 16 A. No, I was not there at all. I was not there when they were
  - 17 leaving, but it was possible that he told them that.
  - 18 Q. And when you went back on this trip, is it true that Sankoh
  - 19 thought that the combatants wanted to kill him?
- 10:06:20 20 A. Repeat that question again?
  - 21 Q. When you went back to Kailahun to explain the terms of the
  - 22 Abidjan Peace Accord, is it true that Sankoh thought that the
  - 23 combatants wanted to kill him?
  - 24 A. Yes. That thinking was there because that was why he even
- 10:06:40 25 did not disembark. He told Palmer to disembark first, go talk to
  - the combatants, clear the situation before he can come down.
  - 27 Q. Mr Fayia, to your knowledge, was this man called Jungle
  - 28 ever a member of the NPFL?
  - 29 A. From the day I knew Jungle, he was an RUF member.

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, but how does that answer the
- 2 question? Do you or do you not know if he was an NPFL?
- THE WITNESS: I don't know that he was an NPFL, but I knew
- 4 him to be an RUF.
- 10:07:44 5 MR GRIFFITHS:
  - 6 Q. So from the very first time you met him, with which
  - 7 organisation was he associated?
  - 8 A. He was associated with the RUF Sierra Leone.
  - 9 Q. And do you accept that Jungle took some cash money to Sam
- 10:08:04 10 Bockarie in Sierra Leone?
  - 11 A. Yes. It was the \$7,000 I had mentioned here this week
  - 12 from which was taken from the \$500,000.
  - 13 Q. Mr Fayia, would you agree with the suggestion that Sankoh
  - 14 was a secretive individual?
- 10:08:36 15 A. Very much. Very secretive and very unpredictable.
  - 16 Q. And that one of his sayings was that whatever the right
  - 17 hand should know, the left hand should not know. You agree with
  - 18 that?
  - 19 A. Very much. That is what he used to say. Very much.
- 10:09:08 20 Q. Mr Fayia, were you aware of the Libyan government leaving
  - 21 money with Blaise Compaore in Burkina Faso for the RUF?
  - 22 A. No. Except when they the one that was brought by Mohamed
  - 23 Talibi from Ghana.
  - 24 Q. Now, one of the individuals I asked you about, Mr Fayia,
- 10:10:31 25 was a man called Ibrahim Balde. Do you recall me asking you
  - 26 about him?
  - 27 A. Yes, I do.
  - 28 Q. Now, do you agree that I brahim Balde was a friend of Foday
  - 29 Sankoh?

- 1 A. Yes, very much.
- 2 Q. Do you recall an occasion when Foday Sankoh travelled with
- 3 Ibrahim Balde to Burkina Faso?
- 4 A. No, because we travelled when we went to Burkina Faso the
- 10:11:03 5 first time, that was where he introduced Ibrahim Balde to us.
  - 6 Q. Do you recall in April 1996 Foday Sankoh travelling to
  - 7 Burkina Faso with Ibrahim Balde?
  - 8 A. No. That's what I am saying. It was when we went to
  - 9 Burkina Faso in April '96 that he introduced Ibrahim Balde to us
- 10:11:30 10 as his friend. We did not go with him.
  - 11 Q. Very well. Do you know of a trip made by Foday Sankoh with
  - 12 I brahim Balde to Burkina Faso in December 1996?
  - 13 A. No, no.
  - 14 Q. The final thing I want to ask you about this particular
- 10:12:15 15 testimony is this: When you prepared that letter which you faxed
  - 16 to Charles Taylor, did you tell all former members of the
  - 17 external delegation that you were going to write and send that
  - 18 Letter?
  - 19 A. In fact, yes. In fact, I did it upon our agreement because
- 10:12:40 20 I had already done the one in Freetown for President Kabbah and
  - 21 the Sierra Leone population.
  - 22 Q. Now, the other matter I want to deal with I am going to
  - 23 move now to what we were told by another witness. Is it true
  - that when it came to the time for you to be released by the RUF,
- 10:13:03 25 that Foday Sankoh on 25 July 1999 sent a radio message which
  - 26 reads as follows:
  - 27 "Reference my last message dated 25 July 1999, you are to
  - 28 prepare to hand over the prisoners of war and all prisoners to
  - 29 the International Committee of the Red Cross, UNAMSIL or ECOMOG

- 1 at any time they call upon you. Philip Palmer, Deen-Jalloh,
- 2 Fayia Musa, Dr Barrie and Gbessay James should also be released,
- 3 but you are not to allow them to go anywhere. They should stay
- 4 at the HQ Buedu until I arrive at that location."
- 10:13:50 5 Were you told about such a message?
  - 6 A. Yes, we were told about the message. What they did for us,
  - 7 they were able to put us on parole.
  - 8 Q. Right. And what did that mean, being put on parole?
  - 9 A. Every morning they opened the door, we come outside and sit
- 10:14:12 10 on the veranda.
  - 11 Q. Now, we were told that, for reference purposes, by TF1-274
  - 12 at page 22184, the transcript of 11 December 2008.
  - 13 Now, another witness on 3 December [sic] 2008, TF1-338,
  - 14 told these judges this. In 1996 the witness was being asked
- 10:15:07 15 about a man called Ibrahim Bah whom you know as Ibrahim Balde,
  - 16 yes, and he said this: That he saw Ibrahim Bah, Balde, in 1996
  - in Zogoda. He came together with Fayia Musa and a Ghanaian
  - 18 doctor, Simbo, and another Bah. He said he was a Guinean Special
  - 19 Forces.
- 10:15:38 20 So, just so that we are clear, you, Dr Sebo and two Ibrahim
  - 21 Bahs, one a Gambian and one a Guinean, travelled to Zogoda in
  - 22 1996. Now, let me give you the full picture before I ask for
  - your comment.
  - "A. They came and held talks with Sankoh, but at the time
- 10:16:06 25 Sankoh did not allow us to be with them while the talks
  - were going on.
  - 27 Q. Was it your understanding that I brahim Bah had come to
  - Zogoda in 1996 to sell arms sell materials to the RUF?
  - 29 A. That was not my understanding because I did not see him

2 Did you have any idea at all why he had come to Zogoda in 1996? 3 Later I got an idea why Ibrahim had come to Zogoda, that was later in Zogoda. 10:16:43 5 Q. And why was it? 6 7 According to the idea that I got, he came to discuss Α. how the RUF leader would be able to get materials while he 8 9 was there and at the same time to encourage General Bah that was the other General Bah, the short one, the Guinean 10:17:02 10 11 Special Forces - to encourage him to be with us so we would 12 be acquainted with each other because he, the Guinean Bah that is, had to use RUF fighters to go to Guinea. At the 13 same time he came with Dr Simbo for Dr Simbo to be with us, 14 he said because Dr Simbo had a mission in Ghana." 10:17:31 15 Then he was asked this --16 17 MR KOUMJIAN: Excuse me, could I just ask for a page reference so I can follow this. 18 19 MR GRIFFITHS: It is the 3 September 2008, page 15297. 10:17:56 20 MR KOUMJIAN: September? I thought counsel earlier said 21 December. 22 MR GRIFFITHS: 3 September. 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: Is this closed session material or 24 something that everyone can follow? 10:18:13 25 MR GRIFFITHS: The name of this particular witness is 26 protected. I thought you mentioned the TF1 number. 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: 28 MR GRIFFITHS: It's TF1-338. 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: And so my question is: Is this open

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with arms.

- 1 testimony or closed session testimony?
- 2 MR GRIFFITHS: It was open testimony but with the name
- 3 protected. The evidence was given in open session.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, but the name would not be on the
- 10:18:40 5 transcript, would it? Like we normally follow open transcript
  - 6 testimony on the overhead.
  - 7 MR GRIFFITHS: Well, I am happy with that. So can we put
  - 8 this up on the screen then, please. Page 15297. Do we have it?
  - 9 Q. Mr Witness, can you see this on the screen?
- 10:19:09 10 A. Yes.
  - 11 Q. Mr Fayia, rather than craning your neck, could you move the
  - 12 microphone and push your chair over a bit. Come over a bit so
  - 13 that you are in front of the screen and just move the microphone
  - 14 so it will be easier for you to follow, yes? Do you see it now?
- 10:19:34 15 A. Uh-huh.
  - 16 Q. Now, we are at page 15297. So just to put you in the
  - 17 picture, do you see at line 7 the number 7 on the side of the
  - 18 page, yes?
  - 19 A. Yes.
- 10:19:47 20 Q. "A. In 1996 in Zogoda I saw him." That being Ibrahim Bah.
  - 21 "He came together with Fayia Musa and a Ghanaian doctor,
  - 22 Simbo [phon], and other Bah. He said he was a Guinean
  - 23 Special Forces. They came and held talks with the leader,
  - 24 but at that time the leader did not allow us to be with
- 10:20:11 25 them while the talks were going on.
  - 26 Q. And was it your understanding that Ibrahim Bah had come
  - 27 to Zogoda in 1996 to sell arms sell materials to the
  - 28 RUF?"
  - 29 Jump to line 21:

1 "A. According to the idea that I got, he came to discuss 2 how the RUF leader would be able to get materials while he was there and at the same time to encourage General 3 Bah - that was the other General Bah, the short one, the 4 Guinean Special Forces - to encourage him to be with us so 10:20:46 5 that we would be acquainted with each other, because he had 6 7 to use RUF fighters to go to Guinea. At the same time he came with Dr Simbo for Dr Simbo to be with us, he said, 8 9 because Dr Simbo had a mission in Ghana." Over the page, please line 10: 10:21:09 10 11 "A. There were two General Bahs who came at that time, 12 1996, to Zogoda. Are they both arms dealers? 13 No, there was one who was General I brahim Bah. He was 14 a Gambian. He was the arms dealer. The other short 10:21:31 15 Ibrahim Bah was a Guinean who only came to get acquainted 16 17 with RUF boys in Zogoda because he was later to use them after the RUF struggle." 18 19 Did you ever travel to Zogoda with Ibrahim Bah? 10:21:58 20 Α. No, I don't remember that. The only person I travelled 21 with, I do remember very well, is Mike Lamin and Massaquoi. 22 Balde - I saw Balde for the first time in Ouagadougou when we 23 went there in April 1996. 24 Were you ever told by anyone, in particular Foday Sankoh, Q. 10:22:26 **25** that the Ibrahim Bah you met was an arms dealer? 26 Α. No. 27 Now, the Dr Simbo that was spoken about by this witness -28 can we now go, please, to page 15561, same witness. 5 September 29 2008, page 15561. Look at line 7:

1 "A. Dr Simbo was a Ghanaian." 2 Li ne 11: 3 "A. He told us that he was a revolutionary and they would 4 have to lead a revolution in Ghana to oust John Rawlings. He said he attempted once and he failed, but next time he 10:23:52 5 would have to try it in a revolutionary form. So that's 6 7 why he had - because RUF had fought and maintained their 8 war, so he liked the way the RUF fought. That's why he had 9 come to the RUF to be acquainted with the fighters, so he wanted to understudy and he attended the formation. What I 10:24:11 10 11 mean by formation, it's a parade that we held every morning 12 for prayers and every commander who had a piece of advice would come forward and give those advice to the soldiers 13 and that was the time he came forward and told us that was 14 the reason he was in our midst." 10:24:31 15 Do you know of a Dr Sebo Leading any coup against Jerry 16 17 Rawl i ngs? No, I don't know that at all. 18 Α. 19 0. Did Dr Sebo come to the RUF because he was attempting to 10:24:55 20 study RUF tactics in order to lead a revolution in Ghana? 21 Basically when Dr Sebo met us, he met us with an Α. No. 22 That was why. He said he was sent by his agenda for peace. 23 secretary-general, Dr Kumar Rupesinghe, to say that they have 24 undertaken the Sierra Leone conflict resolution as a special 10:25:23 25 project. That was what he came for. Can we go to 3 September 2008, page 15296. Top of that 26 27 page: 28 "O. Ibrahim Bah said that mercenaries would come to help

you fight to capture Kono and they would be mining and

|          | 1  | supplying you with materials, so the Ukrainian mercenaries       |
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|          | 2  | were going to fight with you, they were going to mine with       |
|          | 3  | you and they were going to supply you with materials. Is         |
|          | 4  | that what you are now saying?                                    |
| 10:26:23 | 5  | A. They will come in the first place to assist us to             |
|          | 6  | fight, capture Kono, if we allowed them, and later after         |
|          | 7  | the capture of Kono they will continue with their mining         |
|          | 8  | and whilst we would be fighting they would continue giving       |
|          | 9  | us supply of arms and ammunition that we needed to fight.        |
| 10:26:45 | 10 | Q. Have you any idea who these Ukranians were that General       |
|          | 11 | Ibrahim Bah was going to supply to assist you in all these       |
|          | 12 | ways?  |
|          | 13 | A. I hadn't any idea about that."                                |
|          | 14 | Mr Fayia, do you know anything about this; an attempt by         |
| 10:27:02 | 15 | the RUF to recruit Ukrainians through Ibrahim Bah to fight and   |
|          | 16 | capture Kono?  |
|          | 17 | A. Absolutely no idea at all. Because these were the same        |
|          | 18 | people we said will leave the country before we can succeed.     |
|          | 19 | These were the same people we say will leave the country to stop |
| 10:27:29 | 20 | the mining. So I absolutely have no idea about this one at all.  |
|          | 21 | PRESIDING JUDGE: I'm sorry, I don't understand your              |
|          | 22 | answer. You said these are the same people we said will leave    |
|          | 23 | the country. "Will" leave or "we" leave?                         |
|          | 24 | THE WITNESS: Will leave. The foreign troops - we                 |
| 10:27:53 | 25 | mentioned that the foreign troops.                               |
|          | 26 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Are you saying the Ukrainians were part         |
|          | 27 | of the foreign troops?   |
|          | 28 | THE WITNESS: The Executive Outcomes.                             |
|          | 29 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Are they Ukrainians?                            |

- 1 THE WITNESS: No, no, no they are not Ukrainians.
- 2 MR GRIFFITHS:
- 3 Q. Just to explain that. Mr Fayia, what was the attitude of
- 4 the RUF towards the involvement of foreign troops on Sierra
- 10:28:29 5 Leonean soil?
  - 6 A. We were very much against that one. In fact, that was one
  - of the conditions that we said would be our in the peace accord
  - 8 that we signed in November 1996.
  - 9 Q. In Abidjan?
- 10:28:49 10 A. In Abidjan.
  - 11 Q. And just to remind ourselves. There was a provision in
  - 12 that, was there not, Article 12:
  - 13 "Executive Outcomes should be withdrawn five weeks after
  - 14 the deployment of the neutral monitoring group. As from the date
- 10:29:19 15 of the deployment of the neutral monitoring group, the Executive
  - 16 Outcomes shall be confined to barracks under the supervision of
  - 17 the joint monitoring group and the neutral monitoring group.
  - 18 Government should use all its endeavours consistent with its
  - 19 treaty obligations to repatriate other foreign troops no later
- 10:29:41 20 than three months after the deployment of the neutral monitoring
  - 21 group?"
  - That was a provision of the Abidjan Peace Accord, was it
  - 23 not?
  - 24 A. Yes, it was.
- 10:29:51 25 Q. At who whose request was that provision included in the
  - 26 Abi dj an Peace Accord?
  - 27 A. It was at our own request, the RUF.
  - 28 Q. And did that provision cover the involvement of people like
  - 29 Ukrainians in Sierra Leone?

- 1 A. Yes, indeed.
- 2 Q. Now, the final matter I want to ask you about, Mr Witness,
- 3 is this: Could the witness please be shown exhibit P-277?
- 4 MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honours --
- 10:30:59 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, Mr Koumjian. Before you show the
  - 6 witness the exhibit, please wait.
  - 7 MR KOUMJIAN: Please do not show the exhibit to the witness
  - 8 yet.
  - 9 Your Honour, this is what we this is a confidential
- 10:31:10 10 document, and we can briefly go into private session. We can
  - 11 discuss it. Actually, we discussed it yesterday and I made a
  - 12 proposal, and I don't know why it was ignored, but we cannot show
  - 13 the witness a confidential document.
  - 14 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Griffiths, of course, I haven't seen
- 10:31:34 15 the document myself. I am trying to find it from our courtroom
  - 16 folder. Mr Griffiths, could I hear from you regarding the
  - objection.
  - 18 MR GRIFFITHS: Well, the point I make, Madam President, is
  - 19 very straightforward. A defendant has the right to deal with all
- 10:32:26 20 the evidence against him. And, in effect, to prevent me from
  - 21 using this document with the witness is to deny the defendant an
  - 22 opportunity of dealing evidence upon which the Prosecution will,
  - 23 no doubt, place a great deal of emphasis upon in due course.
  - 24 And, in our submission, the defendant cannot be so prevented,
- 10:32:54 25 during the course of the Defence case, from dealing with
  - important evidence.
  - 27 And, in any event, whether the document be confidential or
  - 28 not, in the first place, my learned friend, by objecting to its
  - 29 use, places a spotlight upon something which, left if left or

1 if ignored, might not have attached the attention it has. 2 I cannot see how, by asking this witness about the contents of this document, any protection or any other matter is in any 3 way impacted. In our submission, if we deal with this matter 4 without in any way drawing attention to it, that is the best way 10:33:43 5 to proceed. Those are my submissions. 6 7 PRESIDING JUDGE: Incidentally, this exhibit was admitted in a number of parts, wasn't it? Was it admitted as one part? 8 9 MR GRIFFITHS: It was admitted in toto at the request of lead counsel, Ms Brenda Hollis. 10:34:12 10 11 PRESIDING JUDGE: Give us a moment to find it. 12 MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour, it is on the exhibit - in your 13 emails it will be in parts because of the size of the documents, 14 it is my understanding, but it is a single document with a single exhibit number. I could hand a copy, for the purpose of 10:34:45 15 deliberations, to the Bench. 16 17 [Trial Chamber conferred] PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumjian, would you object to us going 18 19 into a brief private session in order for this document to be 10:36:17 20 dealt with? 21 MR KOUMJIAN: That's what I requested at page 30. Yes, 22 your Honour, I request that. 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: So, Mr Griffiths, why are you not given 24 to using private session to put this document before your 10:36:30 25 witness? Why must you put a confidential document before your witness in an open session? 26 MR GRIFFITHS: Because the reason for the document - we all 27 28 know the reason why the document is said to be confidential.

Now, in our submission, that reason has nothing to do with the

1 contents of the document per se, because the contents of the 2 documents per se cannot infringe any protective measure which has been put in place so long as nothing is done to infringe the 3 protective measure itself. So that the document can be dealt 4 with in open session without in any way protecting the underlying 10:37:25 5 foundational reason why it was deemed to be confidential in the 6 7 first place. 8 One has, in our submission, to locate what was the mischief 9 at which this was directed. One that is identified, then one can see that logically the document can be dealt with without in any 10:37:49 10 11 way infringing the particular mischief at which certain 12 provisions were directed when they were put in place. 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Griffiths, you do concede that this is a confidential document? 14 MR GRIFFITHS: Yes, I do. 10:38:07 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: It was marked "confidential". 16 17 MR GRIFFITHS: Yes, I do. PRESIDING JUDGE: And the meaning of 'confidential' means 18 19 it is not open to the public for whatever reason. 10:38:18 20 stretch of imagination do you imagine that this confidential 21 document can be dealt with in open session? 22 Because the reason for it being marked MR GRIFFITHS: "confidential" has nothing whatsoever to do with the contents of 23 24 the document itself. [Trial Chamber conferred] 10:39:15 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: We are of the view, first of all, this is 26 27 a document that went all the way up to the Appeals Chamber at one 28 time in the past and in relation to one of the witnesses that -

at the time it was thought that this document should be

|          | 1  | maintained as a public document and that the witness should       |
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|          | 2  | testify openly in relation to this document, and the              |
|          | 3  | Appeals Chamber rejected that view in light of the protective     |
|          | 4  | measures that that witness enjoyed.                               |
| 10:40:19 | 5  | Now, so subsequently, this document maintained its                |
|          | 6  | confidential status, and we are not prepared to go behind the     |
|          | 7  | straightforward orders of court confidentiality to start          |
|          | 8  | dissecting the reasons behind the confidentiality. So the         |
|          | 9  | Defence cannot use a confidential - this confidential document in |
| 10:40:51 | 10 | open session. The objection is sustained.                         |
|          | 11 | MR GRIFFITHS: Are we going into private session then?             |
|          | 12 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Not unless you ask me to.                        |
|          | 13 | MR GRIFFITHS: Well, can we go in private session? Because         |
|          | 14 | I do intend to put this document to the witness.                  |
| 10:41:22 | 15 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Certainly, Mr Griffiths                          |
|          | 16 | MR GRIFFITHS: I'm grateful.                                       |
|          | 17 | PRESIDING JUDGE: we can arrange. And for the members              |
|          | 18 | of the public listening, for the protection of other witnesses    |
|          | 19 | than this witness, we will go into a private session.             |
| 10:41:31 | 20 | [At this point in the proceedings, a portion of                   |
|          | 21 | the transcript, pages 39198 to 39221, was                         |
|          | 22 | extracted and sealed under separate cover, as                     |
|          | 23 | the proceeding was heard in private session.]                     |
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|          | 2  | MS IRURA: Your Honour, we're in open session.                     |
|          | 3  | PRESIDING JUDGE: As I was saying for the benefit of the           |
|          | 4  | parties, this afternoon we will sit until 3.30, that's from 2.30  |
| 12:04:47 | 5  | to 3.30, because there's an urgent matter that must be attended   |
|          | 6  | to shortly after that.  |
|          | 7  | For the members of the public sitting, we are going into a        |
|          | 8  | brief private session. We were in a brief private session before  |
|          | 9  | the break to consider testimony that regards a protected witness, |
| 12:05:09 | 10 | other than this witness of course. So we will return into         |
|          | 11 | private session to conclude the examination of that evidence.     |
|          | 12 | [At this point in the proceedings, a portion of                   |
|          | 13 | the transcript, pages 39223 to 39231, was                         |
|          | 14 | extracted and sealed under separate cover, as                     |
| 12:05:13 | 15 | the proceeding was heard in private session.]                     |
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|          | 2  | MS IRURA: Your Honour, we're in open session.                     |
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|          | 3  | MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour, I have a motion to make outside         |
|          | 4  | the presence of the witness. It's public, but I believe it        |
| 12:26:07 | 5  | should be outside the presence of the witness. And just so it's   |
|          | 6  | clear, it relates to, among other matters, a postponement of the  |
|          | 7  | cross-exami nati on.  |
|          | 8  | PRESIDING JUDGE: Madam Court Officer, could you kindly            |
|          | 9  | escort the witness temporarily?                                   |
| 12:26:31 | 10 | Mr Witness, this has nothing to do with you. It's an              |
|          | 11 | administrative matter that we don't want to concern you with.     |
|          | 12 | [In the absence of the witness]                                   |
|          | 13 | MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour, my motion relates to the                |
|          | 14 | sufficiency of the witness summary that was provided to           |
| 12:27:07 | 15 | your Honours and the Prosecution for this witness. It's the       |
|          | 16 | Prosecution position that the witness summary for this witness is |
|          | 17 | patently insufficient and rather egregiously so.                  |
|          | 18 | Your Honours, we wish to remind everyone of the law on this       |
|          | 19 | issue. Of course, your Honours ordered in this case, as provided  |
| 12:27:34 | 20 | for in Rule 73 ter, that the Defence provide summaries. The Rule  |
|          | 21 | says and your Honours' order said summaries of the facts that the |
|          | 22 | witness will testify upon.  |
|          | 23 | There is case law from various cases, particularly in the         |
|          | 24 | Special Court, regarding what is or is not a sufficient witness   |
| 12:27:56 | 25 | summary. Your Honours, for example, cited that in your decision   |
|          | 26 | in Brima, the oral decision, on 11 July 2006. One of the cases    |
|          | 27 | cited - that has been cited is the Norman decision of - first the |
|          | 28 | Sesay decision of 28 March 2007. It's entitle "Consequential      |
|          | 29 | orders concerning the preparation and the commencement of the     |

[Open session]

| 1  | Defence case".   |
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| 2  | At page 4 of that decision, the bottom paragraph, the Trial  |
| 3  | Chamber stated:  |
| 4  | "Considering that production of witness summaries by the   |
| 5  | Defence within its materials is intended to enable the other   |
| 6  | Defence teams, the Prosecution, and the Chamber, to appreciate   |
| 7  | and understand the nature and content of a witness's proposed  |
| 8  | testimony."  |
| 9  | Then going on to the next page, the second paragraph, and,   |
| 10 | if it's helpful, the CMS number on this filing is 26993, so now  |
| 11 | reading from 26997, the second paragraph, it states:   |
| 12 | "Noting in the case of the Prosecutor v Norman this Trial  |
| 13 | Chamber ordered that the witness summary shall include detailed  |
| 14 | summaries of the incidence and/or events which a witness is  |
| 15 | called to testify upon: Exact location and date if available of  |
| 16 | these alleged incidents and/or events; position and/or role of a   |
| 17 | witness in relation to the crimes charged in the indictment;   |
| 18 | nexus between the accused and the proposed testimony of a  |
| 19 | witness; and other details as counsel deems necessary and would  |
| 20 | clearly demonstrate the essence of that testimony."  |
| 21 | We have copies of all this. Perhaps we should hand these   |
| 22 | out now for the Court and counsel. Madam President, should I   |
| 23 | continue while these are being distributed?  |
| 24 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Certainly.  |
| 25 | MR KOUMJIAN: Thank you. The language that the Sesay  |
| 26 | decision was quoting was from the decision in Norman of 2 March  |
| 27 | 2006 in the order to the first accused to re-file summaries of   |
| 28 | witness testimonies, and that has a - I believe it's called a CMS $$   |
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number - of 14992. I think it's also very instructive to look at

the Court's order in the Brima case where your Honours held that

it's necessary - well, let me make it clear. The Prosecution 2 motion in this case is to obtain the witness statements of this 3 4 wi tness. JUDGE LUSSICK: You mean in the Brima case or in the 12:31:46 5 present case? 6 7 MR KOUMJIAN: In the present case. JUDGE LUSSICK: I thought your motion was to postpone 8 9 cross-exami nati on. Thank you, your Honour. I will go beyond 12:31:59 10 MR KOUMJIAN: 11 getting the witness statement for this witness. I would perhaps 12 like to state our request for relief - well, I can state it now. 13 It's our view that because this is happening over and over again 14 that the witness summaries are insufficient and it's causing an inefficiency in the trial where cross-examination has to be 12:32:20 15 16 delayed, that it is within your Honours' absolute discretion and 17 we believe entirely appropriate in the interests of justice and the efficiency of this trial that the Court order that all 18 19 witness statements of the Defence witnesses be disclosed ten days 12:32:39 20 before they testify so that this issue doesn't continue to occur. 21 We are particularly asking for this witness statement. I 22 would also point out what we are not asking for is the relief 23 provided for in Bagosora from ICTR in the decision of 5 July 24 2005, the decision on the sufficiency of Defence witness 12:33:07 **25** summaries. Paragraph 6 makes it clear that a remedy available to the Prosecution for insufficient details in the summaries is the 26 27 same as the remedy that would have been available to the Defence 28 for failure to disclose, which would include not just adjournment 29 of the testimony but exclusion of the testimony that is not

covered in the disclosure. We are not asking the Court to

exclude any of this witness's testimony. 2 We have some more materials to hand out. 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumjian, could you restrict your 4 submissions to what you are asking for, not what you are not 12:33:51 5 asking for. For example, you said something about a request that 6 7 all witness statements relating to Defence witnesses be disclosed 8 ten days before each witness is due to testify. Are you serious 9 about that request? MR KOUMJIAN: Yes. The reason I'm serious about that 12:34:09 10 11 request is, as your Honours point out correctly continually, the 12 Prosecution has no right to witness statements. Equally clearly, 13 there is no right of the Defence not to provide them. 14 PRESIDING JUDGE: We have also stated that your right to the statements commences after a witness has testified in chief. 12:34:27 15 That is why I'm asking you are you serious about this application 16 17 for all Defence witness statements to be disclosed ten days before a witness testifies? Are you serious about that? 18 19 MR KOUMJIAN: I'm serious about it, your Honour, because it 12:34:48 20 is provided, I believe, when Rule 73 ter allows - clearly it's 21 within your discretion. I'm not saying - and I recognise it's 22 not a right that we have, it's within your Honours' discretion as 23 the persons running the trial, but Rule 73 ter which allows 24 your Honours a discretion to even provide these summaries before 12:35:10 **25** the start of the Defence case - excuse me, the statements, to 26 order that they be provided. Mutatis mutandis it's clear that if your Honours have that discretion, you would have the discretion 27 28 ten days before a witness testifies to order that disclosed. 29 I submit that's within your Honours' discretion to decide whether

1 that's appropriate or not. PRESIDING JUDGE: That's fine. I just wanted to be clear 2 3 what it is you're asking for. MR KOUMJIAN: Thank you. In particular we're asking for 4 this witness statement. 12:35:34 5 Now in the decision of your Honours in the AFRC case on 11 6 7 July 2006 your Honours held, citing other case law, that the 8 Prosecution had to show undue or irreparable prejudice. And 9 "undue" in my thesaurus means unwarranted, unnecessary, unj usti fi ed. 12:36:03 10 11 In our submission this witness summary clearly is - the 12 Prosecution suffers both undue and irreparable prejudice, either 13 one is sufficient, but the Prosecution suffers both and I think 14 it's very instructive to look at your Honours' decision in Brima. In that case - I hope it's been distributed - the witness summary 12:36:24 15 that was deemed to be insufficient - perhaps I'll wait for that 16 17 to be distributed, and so the Defence has a copy also. PRESIDING JUDGE: Please continue with your submissions. 18 19 MR KOUMJIAN: Okay. The witness summary that was deemed to 12:36:54 20 be insufficient, I would read it but I believe it would take too 21 long, is nine paragraphs. I believe it's 53 lines. The 22 testimony of that witness was one afternoon and 80 pages. Your 23 Honours deemed it insufficient. 24 So I think now it's appropriate to look at the witness 12:37:21 **25** summary in this case and this I can read word for word because it 26 won't take very much time. The witness summary states: "Background. The witness was a former member of the 27 28 external delegation. The witness is expected to discredit one of

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the OTP witnesses."

|          | 1  | The summary does not say which witness, what will be              |
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|          | 2  | discredited. It does not state the facts that the witness - a     |
|          | 3  | summary of the facts the witness will testify about concerning    |
|          | 4  | whatever witness is allegedly being discredited and at this point |
| 12:38:10 | 5  | I still don't know which Prosecution witness this summary is      |
|          | 6  | referring to.   |
|          | 7  | It goes on and states: "And is also expected to testify."         |
|          | 8  | Your Honours, that phrase that the witness is expected to testify |
|          | 9  | obviously doesn't add or state any fact that's helpful to the     |
| 12:38:27 | 10 | Prosecution or your Honours in understanding the essence of the   |
|          | 11 | testi mony.   |
|          | 12 | Then it goes on and states:                                       |
|          | 13 | "And give an explanation of Foday Sankoh's fundraising            |
|          | 14 | trips around the sub-region prior to the Abidjan Accord."         |
| 12:38:44 | 15 | Well, that is a fact that the witness is going to come and        |
|          | 16 | give an explanation of Foday Sankoh's fundraising trips around    |
|          | 17 | the sub-region prior to the Abidjan Accord, and this witness did  |
|          | 18 | testify to those facts and I believe it was on the 14th and it    |
|          | 19 | was testimony that took a few minutes, maybe half an hour at      |
| 12:39:17 | 20 | most, while this witness has testified since 13 April. This is    |
|          | 21 | the fourth day, not complete, but he has testified for more than  |
|          | 22 | three days; transcript of probably more than 400 pages.           |
|          | 23 | The only facts that were included were about the                  |
|          | 24 | fundraising trips around Abidjan where - around the sub-region    |
| 12:39:38 | 25 | which would be the trip to Nigeria, the trip to Burkina Faso and  |
|          | 26 | the trip to Ghana. Those three trips.                             |
|          | 27 | That formed a very, very small portion of this witness's          |
|          | 28 | evidence. It would be very difficult to list all of the topics    |
|          | 29 | that this witness testified about, but this witness has testified |

1 about, for example, the entry of the invading forces on 13 April 2 1992 in Kailahun, the make-up of those invading forces, their 3 ethnicity and what group he alleges they belong to. He talked 4 about Foday Sankoh coming nine days later to Kailahun Town. talked about the reaction of the civilian population to the RUF 12:40:26 5 i nvasi on. He actually talked about life before the RUF invasion 6 7 and the attitudes toward the APC government and the history of 8 civilian relations with the APC government. He talked about his 9 agriculture in the Kailahun District. He talked about his own appointment as the agriculture director, I forget the exact words 12:40:52 10 11 he used. 12 He talked about no forced conscription, he claimed, in the 13 RUF. He said there was no terror campaign in the RUF. He talked 14 about Jungle. He talked extensively and significantly about Ibrahim Balde. He talked about trading weapons with Guinea and 12:41:16 15 16 named a sergeant, named a specific person as Guinean sergeant 17 that he said was involved. He talked about there being no forced labour in farming and how farming was organised. He talked 18 19 specifically about several direct interactions with Charles 12:41:39 20 Taylor, including his sending rice to Charles Taylor. He talked 21 about a senior citizen from Kailahun being sent to Gbarnga and 22 spending five months with Charles Taylor to test the friendship 23 between Foday Sankoh and Charles Taylor. 24 He talked about "Footpaths to Democracy", the ideology and 12:42:03 **25** what the beliefs were of the RUF and he specifically talked about 26 how that document the was written and who wrote it and claims he 27 himself played a role in authoring that document. And he talks 28 extensively about Addai-Sebo and his role with the RUF with the 29 Abidjan negotiations, with the writing of "Footpaths to

|            | 1  | Democracy". He talked about the RUF's position regarding the      |  |
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|            | 2  | elections and his own presence at a meeting with Foday Sankoh     |  |
|            | 3  | where Operation Stop Election was ordered. He talked about a      |  |
|            | 4  | meeting in Freetown where the population and civil society had a  |  |
| 12:42:47 5 |    | meeting where they rejected the idea of delaying elections and    |  |
|            | 6  | said elections before peace, they did not accept the RUF position |  |
|            | 7  | no elections before peace.  |  |
|            | 8  | He's given a definition of vanguards which is different           |  |
|            | 9  | than other witnesses in this case. He's talked about Top 20, Top  |  |
| 12:43:14   | 10 | 40 and Top Final, giving a unique explanation of those events,    |  |
|            | 11 | claiming that Top 20 and Top 40 was fighting within the RUF.      |  |
|            | 12 | He's talked extensively about Isaac Mongor, claims that he was    |  |
|            | 13 | one of those on the Liberian side in Top 20 contrary to another   |  |
|            | 14 | Defence witness who said - well, we can come to that later.       |  |
| 12:43:36   | 15 | He talked about the incident at Giehun and he gave the full       |  |
|            | 16 | name and explained that when you attach the other adjective to    |  |
|            | 17 | Giehun it's Yiehun, but this incident where Jande, Foday Sankoh's |  |
|            | 18 | concubine or girlfriend, was killed and he said 350 people were   |  |
|            | 19 | killed. He talked about Sandiallu I believe it's pronounced       |  |
| 12:43:58   | 20 | where Isaac Mongor he said killed 30 people.                      |  |
|            | 21 | He talked about the military situation of the RUF                 |  |
|            | 22 | throughout the 1990s and the fall of Zogoda. He gave times as to  |  |
|            | 23 | when ULIMO controlled the border. He gave his opinion about       |  |
|            | 24 | where the RUF got its arms and ammunition or whether they did or  |  |
| 12:44:18   | 25 | didn't get arms and ammunition and how much arms and ammunition   |  |
|            | 26 | they had. He talked about receiving assistance in the Ivory       |  |
|            | 27 | Coast from Musa Cisse. He talked about the use of the radio at    |  |
|            | 28 | Musa Cisse's house. He talked very significantly, and again a     |  |
|            | 29 | direct contact with Charles Taylor, that he himself went to see   |  |

1 Charles Taylor in Gbarnga. He spend three weeks with Charles 2 Taylor in Gbarnga and two weeks --PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumjian, are you going to summarise 3 everything that the witness said? 4 MR KOUMJIAN: Well, thank you. I hope it's not necessary. 12:44:52 5 I'll just stick with - the last one I'll just mention is this 6 7 trip with Charles Taylor to both Gbarnga and then with Charles 8 Taylor to Ghana; Charles Taylor sending Musa Cisse, he says, to 9 ask for his release and the other captives to Sam Bockarie and the letter he wrote to Charles Taylor. 12:45:13 10 11 So these and other items which I won't take up your time 12 mentioning were - none of these are included in the witness 13 So the witness summary is patently insufficient. No summary. 14 one could seriously believe that this complies with your Honours' order to give a summary of the facts upon which the witness would 12:45:31 15 16 testify, and that's the reason that we seek the relief that we 17 are seeking, which is specifically for this witness to obtain the 18 witness statement and a short postponement of the 19 cross-exami nati on. 12:45:46 20 I've already stated the longer-term submission, which I can 21 see is not going to get me too far, so I will drop it there. 22 Thank you. 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: When you say postponement of the 24 cross-examination, until when? 12:46:02 **25** MR KOUMJIAN: I propose to interpose the next witness. 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: The full testimony of the next witness? MR KOUMJIAN: I think that would be fine with me. That 27 28 would - and then that way it would not interrupt two witnesses. 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Griffiths, would you respond to the

- 1 application, please.
- 2 MR GRIFFITHS: As I understand it, the application being
- 3 made by Mr Koumjian on behalf of the Prosecution is threefold:
- 4 Firstly, the disclosure of the statement taken from this witness
- 12:46:49 5 by the Defence; secondly, disclosure of all future Defence
  - 6 witness statements ten days in advance.
  - 7 JUDGE LUSSICK: I think he has dropped that one,
  - 8 Mr Griffiths --
  - 9 PRESIDING JUDGE: He did not.
- 12:47:11 10 JUDGE LUSSICK: That's what I understood Mr Koumjian to
  - 11 say. "I can see it's not going to get me too far, so I will drop
  - 12 it there." Did that mean you are discontinuing that application,
  - 13 or not?
  - 14 MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour, I'm discontinuing that
- 12:47:23 15 application on making an appraisal of the situation. I just
  - 16 wanted to state that it was a very serious application and we may
  - 17 renew that in the future.
  - 18 MR GRIFFITHS: Very well. I will deal with, then, the two
  - 19 applications now, that is, disclosure of the witness statement,
- 12:47:42 20 and the adjournment of the cross-examination of this witness,
  - 21 although at no point has Mr Koumjian stated why such an
  - 22 adjournment is necessary.
  - 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: You are right, Mr Griffiths. You are
  - 24 right.
- 12:48:07 25 MR GRIFFITHS: At no point has Mr Koumjian told the Court
  - 26 why such an adjournment as requested is necessary.
  - Now, the details of the witness were disclosed on 8 March
  - of this year to the Prosecution, so they have known from as long
  - ago as then the name of the witness and been able consequently to

conduct any inquiries they may have deemed necessary into that

2 indi vi dual. Now, it is accepted that the summary of the evidence of 3 4 this witness falls within a fairly narrow compass, but note what it says. "The witness was a member of the external delegation." 12:49:30 5 Why is that of significance? It is of significance for this 6 7 There were only a limited number of members of the reason: 8 external delegation, as we know: Philip Palmer, Dr Barrie, 9 Ibrahim Deen-Jalloh, his wife, this witness. So we're talking about five or so individuals. So by referring to the external 12:50:03 10 11 delegation, that should immediately have alerted the Prosecution 12 to the fact that they had called a witness TF1-168 who dealt with 13 the activities of the external delegation in extensio and in 14 great detail. 12:50:30 15 Consequently, putting the two together, the disclosed name 16 and the fact of what he would be dealing with, in our submission 17 the Prosecution should have been in a position to know the identity of this person and the various topics upon which he 18 19 would be giving evidence. In our submission, that should have 12:50:52 20 been clear to them from, at the very least, 8 March, when the 21 name was released. In reality, the essence of Mr Fayia's 22 evidence has indeed been his work with the external delegation, 23 and we would submit that at least 95 per cent of what he said 24 about the work of the external delegation is mirrored in the 12:51:22 **25** testimony this Court heard last January from TF1-168. 26 So consequently, we submit this is not a case where the

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Prosecution can reasonably argue that they have been taken by

surprise by any of the major issues raised in the testimony of

this witness because, in our submission, that is the important

1 factor. The mischief at which disclosure is aimed is to alert 2 the Prosecution to prevent that element of surprise, and we would submit there is no surprise here; that the Prosecution should 3 have realised what the essence - that is the important word - the 4 essence of this testimony of this witness would involve; that is, 12:52:09 5 the work of the external delegation. 6 7 In our submission, this witness has not dealt with any important - and I underline that word - topic on which evidence 8 9 has not already been heard by this Court, particularly during the course of the Prosecution case - and I stress the fact any 12:52:36 10 11 important issue. 12 By way of example, my learned friend at the close of his 13 submissions mentioned Musa Cisse and his involvement. Musa Cisse 14 and his involvement was disclosed in that fax sent from Abidian by the witness during the testimony of Mr Taylor. 12:53:05 15 Prosecution have known about the link between Fayia Musa and Musa 16 17 Cisse since last year, when that fax was brought into evidence. So we're not talking about them being taken by surprise. 18 19 Every single document that I have put to this witness has 12:53:34 20 already been exhibited. Every single document; the salute 21 reports, the last document we looked at, every single one of them 22 has been in the public arena from a very, very long time ago. 23 Now, we need to also bear in mind the principles to be 24 applied here. First of all, we submit that the following 12:53:59 **25** propositions are right: There is no blanket right for the 26 Prosecution to see the Defence statement of a Defence witness. The Prosecution has the power only to apply for disclosure of a 27 28 statement after the witness has testified with the Trial Chamber 29 retaining the discretion to make a decision based on the

1 particular circumstances of the case. 2 Proposition 2: The Trial Chamber in Brima et al stated that the Chamber has the discretion to order disclosure after 3 examination-in-chief, but it is upon a showing of necessity by 4 the Prosecution. 12:54:48 5 Proposition 3: According to the decision of 21 February 6 7 2006 in Norman et al, the Prosecution must show by prima facie 8 evidence that by failure to disclose the Defence witness 9 statement, the Prosecution will suffer undue or irreparable prej udi ce. 12:55:17 10 11 Proposition 4: The Trial Chamber in Brima et al stated 12 that the power of a Trial Chamber to order the disclosure of a 13 prior Defence witness statement relates to an evidentiary 14 question; the Prosecution's ability to test the credibility of the Defence witnesses. 12:55:41 15 Finally, a summary is exactly what it says. It is not 16 17 exhaustive; it is a summary. Now, the issue then is what is the prejudice suffered by 18 19 the Prosecution? At no point has Mr Koumjian sought to explain 12:56:08 20 to this Court what prejudice is suffered by the Prosecution. 21 Note: Prima facie evidence is required that they will suffer 22 undue or irreparable prejudice. Where is that prima facie 23 evidence? Because as we submit, the only prejudice which the 24 Prosecution could feasibly suffer in this situation is an 12:56:41 **25** inability to cross-examine at this stage. 26 So what is Mr Koumjian saying? That he is not in a 27 position now to cross-examine this witness, when all of the 28 important aspects of the witness's evidence have already been in 29 the arena of this courtroom for a very long time indeed?

|          | 1  | As I understand the role of the cross-examiner, it is to          |
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|          | 2  | give the cross-examining party a opportunity to test the evidence |
|          | 3  | of the witness and also to put forward their allegations as to    |
|          | 4  | the nature of their case. I would assume that Mr Koumjian knows   |
| 12:57:30 | 5  | what the Prosecution case is. Consequently, how is it that he is  |
|          | 6  | now unable - which appears to be the subliminal text to his       |
|          | 7  | motion - how is he now unable to cross-examine? And how is he     |
|          | 8  | unable to test the credibility of this witness, given that all of |
|          | 9  | the material disclosed by this witness has been in the public     |
| 12:57:57 | 10 | arena for a very long time indeed.                                |
|          | 11 | It would seem to us that the Prosecution have failed              |
|          | 12 | miserably to place before this Court any evidence that they have  |
|          | 13 | in fact been prejudiced - that is the important word -            |
|          | 14 | irreparably prejudiced by the so-called paucity of the contents   |
| 12:58:22 | 15 | of the summary. In our submission, they have neither shown or     |
|          | 16 | sought to show why they are unable to commence their              |
|          | 17 | cross-examination now.  |
|          | 18 | So in summary, we would submit that both of the                   |
|          | 19 | applications made by Mr Koumjian should be refused because he has |
| 12:58:43 | 20 | established no basis for either of them. Those are my             |
|          | 21 | submi ssi ons.  |
|          | 22 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Mr Koumjian, point of law, or         |
|          | 23 | not?  |
|          | 24 | MR KOUMJIAN: Your Honour asked me                                 |
| 12:58:55 | 25 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Point of law.                                    |
|          | 26 | MR KOUMJIAN: Yes. The prima facie showing of the                  |
|          | 27 | prejudice is the witness summary itself and the testimony of this |
|          | 28 | witness. Parties are expected - are provided the right to         |
|          | 29 | nrenare - we don't disclose witness statements the moment a       |

1 witness takes the stand; we allow the Defence to prepare. 2 There are materials - many materials to impeach this 3 witness. Those materials include almost 40,000 pages of transcript now from 90-some witnesses and thousands and thousands 4 of pages of documents. The Defence --12:59:33 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumjian, what is the point of law you 6 7 are making? 8 MR KOUMJIAN: That the Prosecution has suffered both undue 9 and irreparable prejudice --PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, make that point. Don't go into 12:59:44 10 11 other things. 12 MR KOUMJIAN: -- by the admitted failure of the Defence to 13 disclose the facts that this witness will testify upon. The 14 Defence is saying that the Prosecution is supposed to guess what the Defence witness will say. This witness contradicts - has 12:59:59 **15** testified, for example, to no crimes being committed. The RUF 16 17 not being engaged in terrorism. PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumijan, that is not a point of law. 18 19 If there is a point of law, make it. Otherwise, don't augment 13:00:21 20 your arguments. 21 So the issue, your Honour, is not whether or MR KOUMJIAN: 22 not the Prosecution can ask questions now. Certainly we could 23 ask questions. The issue is whether the Prosecution has a right 24 to be properly prepared by knowing the topics - the facts that a 13:00:38 25 witness is going to testify about so that we can put our case 26 properly and the abundance of evidence - the abundance of 27 contradictions in other testimony, including Defence testimony, 28 to this witness, rather than the Defence admittedly not providing

this information to the Prosecution and trying to take - for

tactical advantage to take the Prosecution by surprise. That's

2 undue prejudice and it's irreparable unless the Prosecution gets 3 the statement. Further, your Honour, the other reason prejudice regarding 4 not getting the statement, this summary indicates that this 13:01:11 5 witness only had one topic to provide relevant evidence on and 6 7 that is the trips around the sub-region for fundraising. Now, 8 he's testified about many other facts including personal 9 interactions with Charles Taylor. Are these recent inventions? The Prosecution can only know that if we see the witness 13:01:29 10 11 statement and the original statements that this witness gave. 12 we are irreparably prejudiced. It's with undue prejudice if we 13 don't get the statements to see if all these interactions with 14 Charles Taylor that this witness testified to that are not in the summary were ever stated by the witness in his earlier statements 13:01:48 15 16 to the Defence. 17 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Koumjian, I think you should advise the judges why, in addition to a witness statement being 18 19 disclosed, you require as much time as you are asking for. It 13:02:10 20 doesn't necessarily follow that every time the judges accord you 21 with this disclosure you necessarily are entitled to a long and 22 interposed period of time. It doesn't necessarily follow. 23 MR KOUMJIAN: Well, I'm not asking for, I think, a long period of time. I need to review the material that we have that 24 13:02:31 **25** we'll put to the witness and that will require a couple of days. 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: What you have asked for on the record is 27 the interposing of a witness's full testimony. I have no idea 28 how long this interposed witness will take, but that's what 29 you've asked for.

|          | 1  | MR KOUMJIAN: Right.   |
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|          | 2  | PRESIDING JUDGE: On the other hand, we have a weekend             |
|          | 3  | comi ng up.   |
|          | 4  | MR KOUMJIAN: Yes, we have a weekend. Your Honours, I              |
| 13:02:53 | 5  | suggest that I need a couple of working days to prepare. That's   |
|          | 6  | what I'm asking for. The witness statement is the most            |
|          | 7  | fundamental part of my request. And if your Honours don't give    |
|          | 8  | me time, we'll start. But I think we deserve the time in order    |
|          | 9  | to - and, actually, to give a more efficient cross-examination,   |
| 13:03:17 | 10 | it will probably be shorter and more efficient if we have time to |
|          | 11 | properly prepare the relevant materials to put to this witness.   |
|          | 12 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. We are minded to take an              |
|          | 13 | early luncheon adjournment to enable us to deliberate and then we |
|          | 14 | will reconvene at the usual - the normal time, that is, 2.30 in   |
| 13:04:13 | 15 | the afternoon, with a ruling, et cetera.                          |
|          | 16 | [Lunch break taken at 1.04 p.m.]                                  |
|          | 17 | [Upon resuming at 3.06 p.m.]                                      |
|          | 18 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Good afternoon. When we rose before the          |
|          | 19 | lunch break there was a pending Prosecution motion. We retired    |
| 15:07:29 | 20 | to deliberate and the following is the Chamber's ruling:          |
|          | 21 | The Prosecution applied that the Trial Chamber order the          |
|          | 22 | Defence to disclose to the Prosecution the statement of witness   |
|          | 23 | Fayia Musa, DCT-306, on the grounds that the witness summary      |
|          | 24 | filed in relation to this witness is insufficient to enable the   |
| 15:07:56 | 25 | Prosecution to effectively cross-examine the witness and that the |
|          | 26 | Prosecution will suffer undue or irreparable prejudice if the     |
|          | 27 | statement is not disclosed because the witness has attested to a  |
|          | 28 | lot of facts not contained in his summary and that as such the    |
|          | 29 | Prosecution is unable to adequately prepare the                   |

1 cross-exami nati on. 2 The Prosecution also asks that once the statement is 3 disclosed, the Prosecution be given adequate time to prepare of not less than two working days or, alternatively, that the 4 cross-examination of Mr Fayia should commence only after the next 15:08:40 5 Defence witness has testified. 6 7 Now, the Defence opposed the motion in all respects. While 8 conceding that the summary of this witness "falls within a fairly 9 narrow compass", the Defence submits that the Prosecution has had adequate time to prepare the cross-examination of Mr Fayia since 15:09:07 10 11 8 March 2010 when his identity was disclosed to the Prosecution. 12 Furthermore, the Defence argues that the facts disclosed in the witness summary are sufficient to have put the Prosecution on 13 14 notice as to the contents of his testimony and therefore to enable them to adequately prepare for his cross-examination. 15:09:32 15 In particular, the Defence argues that the witness having 16 17 been a member of the external delegation is a significant fact in the summary that should have put the Prosecution on adequate 18 19 notice to prepare cross-examination along those lines. 15:09:59 20 Furthermore, the Defence argues that much of the testimony 21 of Mr Fayia is his comments arising out of existing Defence and 22 Prosecution exhibits, none of which pose any element of surprise 23 to the Prosecution. The Defence submits therefore that the 24 Prosecution has not demonstrated undue or irreparable prejudice 15:10:23 25 warranting either the disclosure of the witness's statement or 26 the extra time to prepare that they have sought for. Now, as the Trial Chamber has held on numerous occasions 27 28 before, there is no blanket right for the Prosecution to see the

statement of a Defence witness, but in each case the Trial

1 Chamber retains the discretion to order such disclosure depending on the circumstances of each case. The test for the Court to 2 determine is whether the Prosecution has demonstrated such undue 3 or irreparable prejudice that it would be in the interest of 4 justice to order the disclosure of the statement. We have also 15:11:01 5 held that a summary is not meant to be a complete statement of 6 7 everything that the witness will attest to but must at least 8 provide a reasonable indication, however brief, of the evidential 9 areas to be covered by the witness in his testimony. In the present case the Trial Chamber notes that the 15:11:24 10 11 summary is indeed brief but not necessarily insufficient - or 12 shall I say not necessarily grossly insufficient. In particular, 13 the summary states that the witness was a former member of the 14 external delegation. As the Defence has rightly pointed out, the external 15:11:46 15 delegation comprised a very limited number of persons and a 16 17 number of witnesses have already testified extensively on the role and experience of the external delegation. Furthermore, we 18 19 agree with the Defence that a large portion of Mr Fayia's 15:12:06 20 testimony relates to existing Defence or Prosecution exhibits, 21 the contents of which do not take either of the parties by 22 surpri se. 23 In the circumstances, the Trial Chamber finds that the 24 witness summary of DCT-306, although brief, is not necessarily 15:12:28 **25** insufficient and that the Prosecution has not demonstrated undue 26 or irreparable prejudice in that regard. The Prosecution motion for disclosure of the witness statement is therefore denied. 27 28 However, the Trial Chamber does agree with the Prosecution

that the witness's evidence-in-chief did span over areas not

1 specifically mentioned in the summary, and to this extent the 2 summary could be considered as insufficient, although not grossly 3 As mentioned in our prior rulings, the proper remedy in that case is to allow the Prosecution some time to prepare its 4 cross-examination in relation to those areas not contained in the 15:13:10 5 summary. The Trial Chamber does not consider that in the present 6 7 case a substantial adjournment is called for; therefore, the 8 Trial Chamber grants the second leg of the Prosecution motion for 9 a short postponement and will adjourn for the rest of today and adjourn to Monday morning. 15:13:35 10 11 Accordingly, I will have the witness brought back --12 MR KOUMJIAN: Excuse me, your Honour, if I could explain. 13 What the Prosecution was seeking was time to research the 14 transcripts and other matters. We're prepared to start asking The extra half hour or hour, whatever it is, that we 15:13:58 **15** questi ons. would have to go back to the office today won't help us in that 16 17 research because it's 40,000 --PRESIDING JUDGE: What do you mean, an extra half hour? 18 19 MR KOUMJIAN: Is it 15 minutes? I'm not sure how much time 15:14:14 20 is left now today. But I can begin asking questions whenever 21 you --22 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes, but, Mr Koumjian, firstly, I don't 23 appreciate you interrupting, as I was still reading my orders. 24 That I absolutely do not appreciate. 15:14:32 **25** Secondly, the rest of today takes you up to 4.30. That is 26 the normal sitting day. Although I had announced today that we 27 would rise at 3.30 for reasons that I gave. But that doesn't 28 mean that you're not supposed to work until 4.30, and I know that 29 most diligent people do work even beyond.

|          | 1  | So our ruling is simply what it is: For the rest of today.        |
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|          | 2  | So I don't know what point you're trying to make. That you don't  |
|          | 3  | need the adjournment? Fine, I will still adjourn today. If that   |
|          | 4  | was the point that you're trying to make. But the ruling stands.  |
| 15:15:15 | 5  | Please call the witness in.                                       |
|          | 6  | While the witness is coming in, I will draw the parties'          |
|          | 7  | attention to a matter that you already might be aware of, and     |
|          | 8  | that is next week's sitting schedule, which, as you know, changes |
|          | 9  | from week to week, but I would urge you to look at the schedule   |
| 15:15:56 | 10 | as circulated by the head of office and to take note accordingly. |
|          | 11 | [In the presence of the witness]                                  |
|          | 12 | PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Fayia, we are going to have to adjourn        |
|          | 13 | today for the rest of the day and you will continue your          |
|          | 14 | testimony on Monday. Now, the proceedings on Monday start at      |
| 15:17:34 | 15 | 9 o'clock. And so we are going to adjourn and I caution you, as   |
|          | 16 | I normally do, not to discuss your evidence until you've          |
|          | 17 | completely finished giving testimony. Court adjourns to Monday    |
|          | 18 | at 9 o'clock.   |
|          | 19 | [Whereupon the hearing adjourned at 3.17 p.m.                     |
|          | 20 | to be reconvened on Monday, 19 April 2010 at                      |
|          | 21 | 9.00 a.m.]  |
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