

**UNITED
NATIONS**



International Residual Mechanism
for Criminal Tribunals

Case No.: MICT-15-96-ES.2

Date: 15 April 2026

Original: English

THE PRESIDENT OF THE MECHANISM

Before: Judge Graciela Gatti Santana, President

Registrar: Mr. Abubacarr M. Tambaou

Order of: 15 April 2026

PROSECUTOR

v.

JOVICA STANIŠIĆ

PUBLIC

**ORDER FOR A PUBLIC REDACTED VERSION OF
JOVICA STANIŠIĆ'S APPLICATION FOR EARLY RELEASE**

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Ms. Mirjana Vukajlović

I, GRACIELA GATTI SANTANA, President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (“President” and “Mechanism”, respectively);

RECALLING that Mr. Jovica Stanišić (“Stanišić”) is serving a 15-year sentence of imprisonment in the Federal Republic of Germany, following his conviction by the Mechanism for murder, deportation, inhumane acts (forcible transfer), and persecution as crimes against humanity and murder as a violation of the laws or customs of war;¹

NOTING the direct petition for early release filed confidentially by Stanišić on 24 March 2026;²

RECALLING that all proceedings before the Mechanism shall be public unless exceptional reasons require keeping them confidential;³

RECALLING further that “any convicted person who is assisted by legal counsel shall file the Direct Petition on the record publicly or together with a public redacted version”;⁴

RECALLING that Mechanism staff members shall only be referred to by their functional titles and not their names in documents submitted for filing;⁵

NOTING that, despite having recently been reminded of the requirement to do so,⁶ Stanišić has not filed the Application publicly or together with a public version;

CONSIDERING that any information relating to Stanišić’s personal circumstances set out in the Application may be safeguarded through appropriate redactions, if deemed necessary;

CONSIDERING that, for security reasons, the address, including the city, where Stanišić intends to reside, if released early, should be redacted from the Application;

¹ See Order Designating the State in Which Jovica Stanišić is to Serve the Remainder of his Sentence, 9 October 2024, p. 1; *Prosecutor v. Jovica Stanišić and Franko Simatović*, Case No. MICT-15-96-A, Judgement, 31 May 2023 (public redacted), para. 664. See *Prosecutor v. Jovica Stanišić and Franko Simatović*, Case No. MICT-15-96-T, Judgement, 6 August 2021, p. 270.

² Jovica Stanišić’s Application for Early Release, 24 March 2026 (confidential with confidential Annexes I-IX) (“Application”).

³ See e.g. *Prosecutor v. Fulgence Kayishema*, Case No. MICT-12-23-R14.1, Order to Reclassify the Decision Assigning a Trial Chamber to Consider Fulgence Kayishema’s Request for Revocation of Referral to the Republic of Rwanda, 28 August 2025, p. 1; *Prosecutor v. Nebojša Pavković*, Case No. MICT-14-67-ES.2, Order for a Public Redacted Version of Nebojša Pavković’s Application for Early Release, 12 August 2025, p. 1; *Prosecutor v. Mićo Stanišić*, Case No. MICT-13-53-ES.2, Order for a Public Redacted Version of Mićo Stanišić’s Application for Early Release, 8 November 2024, p. 1.

⁴ Practice Direction on the Procedure for the Determination of Applications for Pardon, Commutation of Sentence, or Early Release of Persons Convicted by the ICTR, the ICTY, or the Mechanism, MICT/3/Rev.4, 1 July 2024, para. 6.

⁵ See Practice Direction on Judicial Records, MICT/42, 4 May 2023 (“Practice Direction”), Art. 13(5).

⁶ Decision Related to Jovica Stanišić’s Application for Early Release, 10 March 2026, fn. 6.

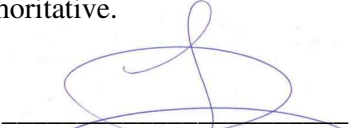
CONSIDERING that, pursuant to the Practice Direction, the name of any Mechanism staff members should be redacted from the Application;

EMPHASISING that failing to comply with the requirements set out in the Mechanism's legal framework, including the practice directions, unnecessarily draws on scarce judicial resources and frustrates the efficient administration of justice;

HEREBY ORDER Stanišić to file, within 14 days, a public redacted version of the Application, excluding annexes II-VIII, consistent with the Mechanism's legal framework and the present order.

Done in English and French, the English version being authoritative.

Done this 15th day of April 2026,
At The Hague,
The Netherlands.



Judge Graciela Gatti Santana
President

[Seal of the Mechanism]



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