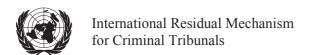
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Case No.: MICT-12-01-ES

Date: 24 April 2020

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE MECHANISM

Before: Judge Carmel Agius, President

Registrar: Mr. Olufemi Elias

Order of: 24 April 2020

PUBLIC REDACTED VERSION

ORDER FOR COVID-19 UPDATES FROM ENFORCEMENT STATES

Republic of Austria Republic of Italy

Republic of Benin Republic of Mali

Kingdom of Denmark Kingdom of Norway

Republic of Estonia Republic of Poland

Republic of Finland Republic of Senegal

French Republic Kingdom of Sweden

Federal Republic of Germany United Kingdom of Great Britain and

Northern Ireland

I, CARMEL AGIUS, President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals ("President" and "Mechanism", respectively);

RECALLING that, according to Article 25(2) of the Statute of the Mechanism ("Statute"), the Mechanism supervises the enforcement of sentences pronounced by the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia ("ICTY"), the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda ("ICTR"), or the Mechanism, including the implementation of sentence enforcement agreements entered into by the United Nations with Member States;

NOTING that 50 persons convicted by the ICTY, the ICTR, or the Mechanism ("Convicted Persons"), are currently serving their sentences in 14 States with whom the United Nations has entered into sentence enforcement agreements ("Enforcement States");¹

RECALLING that, in light of the unfolding COVID-19 pandemic,² on 19 March 2020, I directed the Registrar of the Mechanism ("Registrar") to contact each of the Enforcement States to request information regarding any measures they are taking to prevent the introduction and spread of COVID-19 in prisons where the Convicted Persons are serving their sentences;³

NOTING that the Registrar sent *notes verbales* to the Enforcement States on 20 March 2020 and 24 March 2020, respectively;⁴

NOTING the information received from the Enforcement States regarding the situation in their respective prisons and the measures taken to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19;⁵

RECALLING that, according to Article 25(1) of the Statute, imprisonment shall be in accordance with the law applicable in the concerned Enforcement State, subject to the supervision of the Mechanism;⁶

¹ Third Review Report of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, S/2020/309, 15 April 2020, paras. 158-160. *See infra* fn. 6 for the relevant sentence enforcement agreements.

² WHO Director-General's Opening Remarks at the Mission Briefing on COVID-19, 12 March 2020.

³ Informal communication from the President to the Registrar, dated 19 March 2020 (confidential).

⁴ [REDACTED] (confidential); [REDACTED] (confidential).

[[]REDACTED] (confidential); [REDACTED] (confidential);

⁶ See also Agreement between the Government of the Italian Republic and the United Nations on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, 6 February 1997, Art. 3(2); Agreement

NOTING that, based on the information received from the Enforcement States to date, no COVID-19 cases have been reported in any of the prisons where the Convicted Persons are serving their sentences;⁷

CONSIDERING that, in order to diligently exercise its supervisory power over the enforcement of sentences as the COVID-19 situation evolves, it is imperative that the Mechanism continues to receive timely information about any relevant changes in prisons where the Convicted Persons are serving their sentences;

CONSIDERING FURTHER that the exceptional nature of the current situation requires strengthened cooperation in this key area;

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS,

DIRECT the Registrar to continue liaising with the Enforcement States so as to receive, no later than every 14 days from the issuance of this Order until the end of June 2020, updated information

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between the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the Government of Finland on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Tribunal, 7 May 1997, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the Government of Norway and the United Nations on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 24 April 1998, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of Sweden on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 23 February 1999, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Federal Government of Austria on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 23 July 1999, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the French Republic on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 25 February 2000, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Kingdom of Denmark on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 4 June 2002, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the conditions under which Mr. Kunarac's prison sentence shall be enforced, 14 November 2002, Art. 2(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 11 March 2004, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Estonia and the United Nations on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 11 February 2008, Art. 3(3); Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the United Nations on the Enforcement of Sentences of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 18 September 2008, Art. 3(4); Agreement between the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the conditions under which Mr. Galić's prison sentence shall be enforced, 16 December 2008, Art. 2(2); Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Senegal and the United Nations on the Enforcement of Sentences Pronounced by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, 22 November 2010, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the conditions under which Mr. Đorđević's prison sentence shall be enforced, 28 July 2014, Art. 2(2); Agreement between the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the conditions under which Mr. Popović's prison sentence shall be enforced, 26 June 2015, Art. 2(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the Republic of Mali on the Enforcement of Sentences Pronounced by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda or the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, 30 June 2016, Art. 3(2); Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the Republic of Benin on the Enforcement of Sentences Pronounced by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda or the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, 12 May 2017, Art. 3(2). Sentence enforcement agreements concluded with Member States prior to the closure of the ICTY and the ICTR apply mutatis mutandis to the Mechanism pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1966 (2010).

⁷ See supra fn. 5.

on the situation in prisons where the Convicted Persons are serving their sentences, including the following:

- (i) changes to existing measures taken to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19;
- (ii) the number of known or suspected COVID-19 cases;
- (iii) any other information deemed relevant by the Enforcement States; and

ORDER the Registrar to provide me with the above-mentioned information upon receipt.

Done this 24th day of April 2020, At The Hague, The Netherlands.

Judge Carmel Agius President

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