



STUDY VISITS

20 March 2012



Tribunal hosts Serbian students

On 20 & 21 March, the Tribunal played host to a two-day study visit by students of law and political science from universities in Serbia

The visit, organised in co-operation with the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) mission to Serbia, brought twelve students from the universities of Belgrade, Niš and Novi Sad to The Hague.

The students met with Prosecutor Serge Brammertz, Judge Christoph Flügge, Judge Stefan Trechsel and other senior staff members of staff, the Office of the Prosecutor and the Defence, to learn about the Tribunal's work, its achievements and jurisprudence. The students attended presentations on a variety of topics, including the weighing of evidence and writing of ICTY judgements, the Tribunal's work with witnesses, and the principle of equality of arms.

Commenting on the visit, Ivan Jovanović, Head of the War Crimes Unit of the OSCE mission, said: "So as to ensure lasting peace, respect for victims and repudiate denial of crimes in the former Yugoslavia, it is important that the younger generations from the region - who are future professionals, academics and decision-makers - understand how the Tribunal operates and recognise its findings and legacy. The students will have an exceptional opportunity to meet and talk to the Tribunal's highest officials and this will help them shape their own informed opinion about this institution."

This is the third visit of its kind to have been organised by the Tribunal and the OSCE Mission to Serbia since 2010.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

21 & 29 March 2012



Series of university lectures and high school presentations launched in Croatia

The Tribunal's Outreach Programme has launched a series of university lectures in Croatia as part of its region-wide project to reach out to higher education students across the former Yugoslavia. A total of four lectures were held at the faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences, Political Science and Law at the University of Zagreb and the Law Faculty of the University of Split. The lectures were given by Matthew Gillet, Trial Attorney in the ICTY's Office of the Prosecutor. Gillet introduced students to the work of the Tribunal, its jurisprudence and achievements in the development of international criminal law.

Similar series of lectures will be held in the coming months in universities across Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Kosovo.

On 29 March, the Outreach Programme launched a round of presentations at high schools in Croatia. The first presentation was held at the 10th Gimnazija "Ivan Supek" in Zagreb. Through this region-wide project, initiated on 14 December 2011 in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Tribunal is seeking to support the process of reconciliation in the region by encouraging young people to take an active interest in the Tribunal's work and achievements, as well as wider issues of justice, transitional justice mechanisms and post-conflict social recovery. The students will learn about the cases relating to Croatia that have been completed before the Tribunal, the way in which those cases have contributed to the establishment of facts, and the influence the ICTY has had on the development of the rule of law in the region as a whole.

PRESIDENT MERON

28 March 2012



Tribunal's president in Washington

President Meron travelled to Washington as part of a delegation organised by the mayor of The Hague, which included the presidents of the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice. The purpose of the trip was to inform the public about the role of international courts and tribunals in The Hague.

The president participated with other members of the delegation in panels at an American Society of International Law conference and at the Brookings Institute. He also met with justices of the US Supreme Court and with senior officials from the US Department of State.

IN THE COURTROOMS

30 March 2012



Stanišić and Župljanin: closing arguments scheduled

A scheduling order issued by Trial Chamber II has set the dates for final trial briefs and closing arguments in the case of Mićo Stanišić and Stojan Župljanin.

The parties are required by the order to file their final trial briefs no later than 7 May 2012. There will be no written responses to final trial briefs. The Chamber will hear closing arguments from 21 - 24 May, with the Prosecution having six hours to present its arguments and the two Defence teams dividing six hours between them. The Chamber will decide on time for rebuttal and rejoinder arguments (if any), after the completion of the Defence's closing arguments.

From April 1992, Mićo Stanišić was the Serbian Minister of Internal Affairs in Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Stojan Župljanin was Chief of the Regional Security Services Centre of Banja Luka, as well as a member of the Autonomous Region of Krajina Crisis Staff, and an advisor on internal affairs to the president of Republika Srpska. They stand accused of involvement in a campaign to eliminate and permanently remove Bosnian Muslims and Bosnian Croats from the areas over which they presided between April and December 1992.

More information on the [Stanišić and Župljanin case](#) can be found on the ICTY website.

IN THE COURTROOMS

4 April 2012



Gotovina and Markač: appeal hearing scheduled

The appeal hearing in the case of Ante Gotovina and Mladen Markač will take place on Monday, 14 May, according to a scheduling order issued by the Appeals Chamber. A full timetable for the hearing can be found in the [order](#), which can be accessed through the ICTY website.

On 15 April 2011, Gotovina and Markač were convicted of persecution, deportation, plunder, wanton destruction, two

counts of murder, inhumane acts and cruel treatment. They were sentenced to 24 and 18 years' imprisonment, respectively. Ivan Čermak was acquitted of all charges by the same judgement.

More information on the [Gotovina and Markač case](#) can be found on the ICTY website.

COURTROOM SCHEDULE: 11 APRIL - 20 APRIL

Public proceedings are broadcast with a 30-minute delay on the ICTY website. The Court Schedule is subject to last minute changes. Time used is CET (Central European Time).

Wednesday 11 April	Courtroom I	08:00 - 13:45	Karadžić	Trial
Thursday 12 April	Courtroom I	08:00 - 13:45	Karadžić	Trial
Friday 13 April	No hearings			
Monday 16 April	No hearings			
Tuesday 17 April	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
Wednesday 18 April	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
Thursday 19 April	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial
Friday 20 April	Courtroom I	09:00 - 15:00	Karadžić	Trial

FACTS & FIGURES

<p>161 INDIVIDUALS INDICTED</p> <p>Since the very first hearing (a deferral request in the Tadić case) on 8 November 1994, the Tribunal has indicted a total of 161 individuals, and has already completed proceedings with regard to 126 of them:</p> <p>13 have been acquitted, 64 sentenced (one is awaiting transfer, 24 have been transferred, 36 have served their term, and three died while serving their sentence), 13 have had their cases transferred to local courts.</p>	126	Total number of accused whose proceedings have been completed.
	36	Cases terminated (either because indictments were withdrawn or because the accused died, before or after transfer to the Tribunal).
	35	Proceedings are on-going with regard to 35 accused: 17 are at the appeals stage, 16 are currently on trial, and two are at the pre-trial stage.
	34	A further 34 individuals have been or are the subject of contempt proceedings.