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#### 1 PROCEEDINGS

- 2 (Court opens at 0902H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 [09.03.26]
- 6 During today's session, the Chamber continues to hear the
- 7 testimony of Civil Party Lay Bony.

8 The Chamber wishes to also inform the co-lawyers for the civil

- 9 parties and Ms. Lay Bony that, when putting questions and
- 10 responding to the questions, make sure you observe some pause so
- 11 that the interpreters could render the message fully, because
- 12 yesterday you were rather fast.
- 13 Court greffier is now instructed to report on the attendance of
- 14 the parties to the proceedings today.
- 15 THE GREFFIER:

Good morning, Mr. President. All parties to the proceedings are present, except Mr. Ieng Sary, who is absent due to his health reason. According to document E/237, the accused person has waived his right to the testimony of the civil party and another reserve witness, TCW-362.

Mr. Arthur Vercken is absent because of his personal commitment. TCW-362 is ready in the waiting room and awaits a moment where the witness will be asked to take an oath. According to the witness's best recollection and knowledge, the witness has nothing -- or has no relation or blood relation to any of the

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- 1 parties to the proceedings, including the accused persons. This
- 2 witness will be assisted by Duty Counsel Mr. Lim Bunheng.
- 3 [09.05.48]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 We would like to hand over to the lawyers for the civil parties
- 7 to proceed.
- 8 QUESTIONING BY MS. MOCH SOVANNARY RESUMES:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President, Your Honours. And very good morning to
- 10 you, Madam Civil Party.
- 11 Q. Yesterday, we left off when you were evacuated to Kandal and
- 12 Battambang. Today I would like to continue putting a few more
- 13 questions concerning this evacuation.
- 14 Could you please be more precise on when, exactly, you were
- 15 transferred from Kandal?
- 16 [09.06.44]
- 17 MS. LAY BONY:
- 18 A. Very good morning, Your Honours.

At that time, I do not recollect the exact date, but it is most likely in May. The rain started to fall heavily already; it was the farming season, and I was transplanting the rice when I was asked to pack my luggage so that I could be transported to Battambang.

24 Q. I will refer to the same question as I did yesterday. And with

25 Mr. President's leave, I want a document to be put up on the Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	screen, document in Khmer ERN 00373249, English ERN 00379159, and
2	French ERN 00422451 through 52.
3	Here, you stated before the Investigating Judges that you were
4	taken by an ox cart to the riverbank before you boarded a boat to
5	Battambang, and then you were transported by the Chinese military
6	truck.
7	My next question is: When you reached the riverbank, how many
8	boats did you see coming to pick up the people?
9	A. Through the ox cart - indeed, when I reached the riverbanks, I
10	saw three ships big vessels those ships that could
11	accommodate a few hundred people. And we were asked to load our
12	luggage onto the ships immediately because we had to rush to make
13	sure we got to Kampong Chhnang before the sunset.
14	[09.09.28]
15	Q. Can we ask you, please, how many people were boarding each
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10	ship at that time?
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-	2. Tota jubb mentioned ende when jou were on board end burp jou
2	saw the Khmer Rouge soldiers who were armed and who pushed you
3	onto the ship. So do you know where these soldiers were from?
4	[09.11.37]
5	A. I do not know where the soldiers were from, but I know that
6	they were from the zone.
7	Q. I would like to go back to your record of interview on ERN in
8	Khmer 00373250, English ERN 00379160, French ERN 00422452.
9	In that portion, you say that you were sent to Wat Kaoh Chum, in
10	Pursat, and that the ox cart was seen poised to transport the
11	people to other locations.
12	My question is: Who prepared the ox carts to receive the people?
13	A. I have no idea who made all these arrangements, but after
14	asking a few questions to other villagers, I learned that the ox
15	carts were from different cooperatives from Sector 22 and
16	Sector 23, for example. I asked them where the ox carts could
17	have been from; some would say they were from Kandieng location,
18	and they asked us where we would like to go or whether we would
19	like to go to Kandieng or not, and I said I had no idea.
20	Q. When the Khmer Rouge cadres in Khsach Kandal asked you to
21	leave the area, you were told that you would be transferred to
22	Battambang, where food was plentiful. When you were transported
23	to Pursat, did the Khmer Rouge keep their word by transporting
24	you all the way to Battambang as they promised?

Q. You just mentioned that when you were on board the ship you

25 [09.14.09]

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1	A. Indeed, they did not honour their promise. I believe that they
2	only used that as a pretext to make sure we could be moved from
3	the location more immediately. And I don't believe that they care
4	so much about failing to honour their promise.
5	Q. At the cooperative at Pursat province, did you have enough
б	food or was the food plentiful as they said?
7	A. During the Khmer Rouge regime, from the beginning when I left
8	Phnom Penh, whenever the harvest - rather, whenever the rice
9	transplant season came, it was the most difficult time concerning
10	food. So we did not have food to eat, in particular during the
11	farming season, but I could manage to bring along some foodstuff
12	so that we could survive on them.
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25 were they treated?

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A. At that time, there was no special treatment. We were made to form groups, eating communally, like four cans of rice for a few people. And people would be tasked with working at different locations. But when people fell ill, we were not offered any medicine, and the food itself was short.

6 [09.18.06]

Q. This is the last question to you, please: Have you observed -or what was your observation concerning the transfer of the people from Phnom Penh to Bakan district, in Pursat? Do you believe that such policy was friendly enough to the people who were evacuated?

A. I personally feel that, if they were to treat us well to bring us all the food supplies they wanted, I do not feel there would be any short supplies of food because there was plenty of food available. However, the Phnom Penh dwellers, who were then the evacuees, were destined for being tempered, mainly, and they did not care whether we died or not; they just wanted to make sure we got tempered.

19 MS. MOCH SOVANNARY:

Thank you very much, Madam Civil Party, for your responses to my questions. And I thank you, the Bench, for this opportunity to put all those questions to the civil party.

- 23 Next, I would like to cede the floor to my colleague, Ms.
- 24 Élisabeth Simonneau-Fort.

25 [09.19.52]

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> 7 1 MR. PRESIDENT: 2 Counsel Simonneau-Fort, you may now proceed. 3 QUESTIONING BY MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT: Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good 4 morning to all of you. Good morning, Witness. I'm going to put to 5 б you a few questions now. 7 Q. I would like to return a bit to the first transfer -- the 8 first evacuation of people that you were involved in. And you told us -- you described your journey to us. And how long 9 10 basically -- including the stops along the way, how long did this 11 first journey last? 12 MS. LAY BONY: A. I cannot recollect this precisely, but I left on the 17th of 13 14 April, and after a few stops, we reached Khsach Kandal district 15 by late - rather, by the end of the Khmer New Year. So I can say 16 it took us approximately one month for the trip. 17 [09.21.32]18 Q. Thank you. You described what happened along the road, in 19 particular in regard to your family. So, among the people -- what 20 would happen to those who could not keep up with the journey, who could not continue? 21 22 A. For people who could not continue their journey, like the 23 people who had just left the hospital, they would be pushed by a 24 wheeled hospital bed or they would be carried in stretchers or 25 hammocks. And somebody who was seriously ill would also be

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- 1 carried on somebody's back while walking.
- 2 Q. Did people remain on the wayside?

A. Yes, there were women who were giving birth to the babies, and we could hear them crying out loud in pain when they were about to give birth to the babies. And we would be crying, asking for any midwives who would be able to help give birth to the child. Then, later on, we could find a senior midwife who could like help the woman - the women delivering the babies.

9 [09.23.59]

Q. I am now going to turn to the place where you stopped for a few months, called Bancheng Buk (phonetic) -- I'm sorry for my pronunciation.

You told us that there meetings were organized, which you attended. And during these meetings, were you given information on what was happening in Cambodia? And were you given any information on the national policies?

17 A. In Anhcheaeng Leu village, I attended livelihood meetings. I 18 also engaged in carrying banana trees. After giving birth to my 19 child, for 20 days I reached that village. And because I feared I 20 would be killed, I had to engage in carrying big heavy banana 21 trees. I did not have the gut to even tell the people that I had 22 just delivered the baby; I had to work and carry heavy loads. 23 However, in the meetings, we were not told anything about the 24 policy of the Angkar, rather than teaching us or lecturing us on

25 how to build canal, digging dikes and how to comply with the plan Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 of the Angkar.
- 2 Q. Thank you. Were you obliged to listen to speeches at times --3 speeches by political figures?

4 A. At that time, I did not have an opportunity to listen to any5 of the speeches.

6 [09.26.19]

Q. Thank you. You often said to us yesterday and also you told the Investigating Judge that you were considered as a member of the New People, and you also spoke to us about the Base People. So, can you tell us what the differences were between both of these categories in day-to-day life, in the way people were being treated in -- when you were at work, etc.?

13 A. The Old People and the New People were different. The Old People had been living in the communities for a very long time; 14 15 they had their own belongings, property, they had their household 16 utensils and -- ready for use. But for the 17 of April People, 17 they were New People and evacuees; they were told by Angkar that 18 they would be leaving the city for three days because they had to 19 -- we had to leave before the bombs would be dropped on us. So we 20 left with nothing.

We were from the worker class family, we never -- or business people -- we never got used to farming, chopping small trees to clear way for paddy fields. So we had to make the most of it. For example, we would take the advantage of having our brought along

<sup>25</sup> belongings and things to exchange with things we needed. For Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- example, we would exchange some belongings for knives or other
   kitchen utensils.
- 3 [09.28.36]

And we did not do very well in performing our farming tasks and 4 5 we were accused of being not skilled or being passive. And the б Old People in the base actually got used to the work; they could 7 do things much faster than we did. For example, when it comes to farming, the Old People could take a few hours to finish the 8 9 whole paddy field when farming, but we had to really spend much 10 more time than that because we did not get used to doing it. 11 Q. Were the New People respected by the Khmer Rouge just as the 12 Base People, or was there a difference?

A. Indeed, New People were not treated equally as they did to the Old People, because the Old People had already built there themselves. So it is the New People who had to build themselves, the newcomer.

17 [09.30.03]

18 Q. Thank you.

Yesterday, you told us that your daughter was -- felt ill during the journey, when people were evacuated, because she ate corn that was spoiled. And what happened to your daughter? A. When we reached Khsach Kandal, my daughter, who had been ill for a few days already, she had severe diarrhoea, and we did not

24 have enough medicine for her treatment. I was asked to pick up

25 some leaves to -- for her, to treat her illness. And every one Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 member of our family got ill; we got fever and high temperature. 2 And my aunt who lived in the Vihear Suork commune who paid a 3 visit to us, when she saw this, she would like to take my daughter to live with her so that she could be treated. Because 4 5 she believed that when a member of the family is sick and if she б allowed to be among the family, then everyone could get infected. 7 So, with that offer, I also agreed to let her go. A few days 8 later, I believed that my daughter would be properly treated or 9 well taken care of, but only to learn that she died when being 10 there. [09.32.17]11 12 Q. How old was your daughter, Madam? 13 A. She was five years old; she was born by late 1971. 14 Q. In the first place where you lived for a few months, did you 15 see or did you hear about people disappearing or being arrested? 16 A. I heard about this. Before I were made to live in a private 17 house assigned by the Khmer Rouge, I lived with Comrade Yorn with 18 a few families and I was asked to conceal my identity, I was 19 asked to really keep the secret. I was told to tell people that I 20 was a taxi driver or just foodstuff vender. And a lot of people 21 who knew one of the family members -- because he went there on 22 several occasion, was reported, and later on we learned that he 23 disappeared. I don't remember the name of that person because his 24 identity was somehow revealed (sic). And from that incident we 25 were told that we had to be prepared. For example, if we had a

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2 packing our luggage. If we were called, then we would be ready to 3 go and leave. Fortunately, none of my family members would

male member in the family, we had to be ready -- for example,

- 4 disappear after that.
- 5 [09.34.54]
- 6 Q. When somebody disappeared, were you then given any kind of 7 explanation about the disappearance?
- A. I was not told about this. They -- we only learned that the
  9 person was taken to work at other location. We had no nerve,
  10 actually, to -- or strength to ask people what happened to a
- 11 person who disappeared.
- 12 Q. Thank you. You were displaced then, once again; you were told 13 that you were going to Battambang, and in fact you went to 14 Pursat. What was the physical condition for the 17th of April 15 People when they were displaced a second time?
- A. I, myself, was sick because during the day of the evacuation, a few days before that I was transplanting potatoes at my -- in my backyard -- and at that time, because we had to be evacuated, I had to make use of the potatoes that we planted so that we could eat on the road. But the foodstuff that we had to eat on the road didn't do any good to us; it was bad to our stomach.
- 22 [09.36.55]

Q. Yes, but generally speaking, people who were moved with you -all of these people -- were they in good physical shape or not?

<sup>25</sup> What kind of health status did they have when they were being Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	displaced?
2	A. Early days during the evacuation, our physical and health
3	condition was normal; we still looked good and we could bring
4	along with us some belongings. We could have them exchanged with
5	some rice to store for future supply. In Pursat, I could manage
6	to keep some of this rice we could have traded with other people,
7	so we still looked reasonably normal.
8	However, when time passed by, we did not have enough food to eat;
9	we ate the food that was very little. We ate food that made us
10	become you know, our body parts become swollen. And we
11	believed at that time we noted that the pigs were even given
12	more food than that they gave to human beings.
13	Q. Thank you.
14	After the second displacement, you came to Kaoh Chum. Madam, can
15	you tell us what happened to your son, Sinarith?
16	[09.39.21]
17	A. At Kaoh Chum Cooperative, we were put into different groups,
18	and with the belongings I brought with me I could have them
19	traded with some sticks and poles so that we could make our
20	makeshift shelter. And my mother and brothers and my remaining
21	son still stayed with me, but we had to work very hard; we did
22	nothing but concentrate on farming. And in the evening we would
23	attend meetings livelihood meetings, and I was criticized for
24	not efficiently perform my task. I was in Phnom Penh before, and
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<sup>25</sup> I got married with a high-ranking officer, and I did not know how Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	to do this hard work before. And in the cooperative I had to
2	carry water to feed to irrigate the plants. And the pond where
3	the water was fetched was far from the location where the plants
4	were grown, so it was so difficult, and I could not manage to
5	follow to comply with the plan. And for that I was severely
б	criticized.
7	Q. It's a little difficult to give a precise answer, I quite
8	understand that, but I do need to ask you, what happen to your
9	son, Sinarith?
10	[09.41.35]
11	A. My son got ill again, he got diarrhoea. And noting that
12	nothing could cure his illness, I asked the he be admitted to
13	Kandieng Hospital, where he died. And I returned to the
14	cooperative, and only my husband and I survived.
15	Q. Excuse me for dwelling on this. What happened to your younger
16	sister, please?
17	A. My younger sister also died after she had a kind of symptom
18	that the whole body was swelling and she couldn't survive this
19	ordeal.
20	Q. When you were in this second place, were you under
21	surveillance?
22	A. Yes, I was. I was placed under surveillance every evenings and
23	I could also note that members of other families also kept
24	disappearing every now and then. And I was also told that I had
25	to keep mum because the wall has the ears.

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- 1 Q. In the second place, did people disappear?
- A. At the second location, people disappeared, because the
  husband of my neighbour was taken away, and also a group of
  family members were also taken away. And later on it happened to
  me and my husband.
- Q. You said that your husband was a Lon Nol soldier and youexplain that, after the first population transfer, Yorn told you
- 8 to hide his profession -- to help you his profession.
- 9 [09.44.38]
- 10 Then, later -- and in particular in this second place, Kaoh Chum 11 -- did the Khmer Rouge learn what your husband was doing? 12 A. When I arrived Kaoh Chum Cooperative, I did not know why they 13 learned about my identity and that of my husband, but later on I 14 noted that the security guards of the security centre approached 15 my husband and kicked him repeatedly and asked him where he hid 16 his handgun.
- 17 Q. Can you tell us what happened to your husband?

18 A. At that security centre, my husband had been accused severely. 19 I am a spouse who was accompanying my husband; I only learned 20 that he was detained in detention facility, where it was a 21 complete darkness, and we were separated forever, until the day 22 when my husband was executed.

Q. Did you -- were you also arrested, yourself, because of him?A. Yes, I was. Because my husband was implicated and accused,

<sup>25</sup> then I had to also be brought along with my husband. However, I Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	was not interrogated like my husband was because I only was his
2	spouse. I was allowed to work outside at the cooperatives and aid
3	there, but my husband didn't enjoy this. He only was given a full
4	ladle of porridge and only a grain of salt for each meal.
5	[09.47.48]
б	Q. And when you were arrested as well, did you notice people
7	disappearing or people being executed?
8	A. Could you tell us, please, in which location where
9	disappearance happened? Please repeat that portion.
10	Q. You said to us that your husband had been arrested and
11	executed and that you had been arrested as well and led to a
12	centre. In this centre, did you notice people disappearing or
13	people being executed?
14	A. The location was the place for execution. At that place, I was
15	pushed into a room, and I was terrified. It was incredible,
16	because the plates the bowls that were used for serving rice
17	were used to keep faeces excrement. And the stench was
18	horrible. And I was there to remain in the prison. I had to place
19	my nose close to a small hole so that I could breathe some
20	oxygen.
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23	I know is that he was the son of TA Khin, the prison chief. The
24	soldier was small, short, and underage, carrying his riffle with
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named Kheng: "Comrade Kheng", please come out! Why did you steal grilled fish? That person was accused of stealing grilled fish. I was following him. As soon as the person came out, a bayonet was stabbed into his chest. Then the bayonet was removed with intestines I kept my mouth shut firmly with my hands. I was> terrified that I would end up being <taken away if I were to make a sound>.

<So I was covering my mouth not to make any sound. Those who 8 9 slept in that place and who were sick told me not to pay any 10 attention because the killings occurred every day. They were not 11 taken anywhere but killed whenever they were disliked.> I had to 12 work <there in the refashion center once> every <> day <sic)>. 13 <"The work day" was in the morning of the first, second and third day and then I had lunch before I was sent back to rest there. 14 15 That was called "the work day". The soldiers> would <come to call 16 us>, for example, <the middle age in their 50s, the young adult 17 aged 20-30. In total, there were over 100, 200 people taken> to 18 the zone. <At the time, > I did not know what "zone" was. I was 19 told that "zone" <was> the place where food was plentiful <like 20 in Battambang>, where <there was plenty of ric fish and> oranges. 21 <> In Pursat, <Battambang,> it was <well known of having> plenty 22 of rice and oranges. < Sometimes, I had difficulty time so I asked 23 my unit's chief to go there: "Please let me go too, comrade! 24 Please allow me to go to zone too!". He said why I wanted to go

25 as I had not successfully refashioned myself. I was told to Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 remain at my place. Finally, I learnt that "zone" was the 2 connotation of killing. That did not happen far but in the 3 detention center, the refashion center since there was foul smell 4 but I did not know what smell it was.>

<Later on,> the soldiers who <would guard and walk> us to work <> 5 ended up being the prisoners themselves <like us. They whispered б 7 to us that:> Indeed, <killing began from> 1975 <after the liberation not only in 1976. People would be killed once in every 8 9 3 days. The killing did not happen anywhere else but in the 10 center. By mid or late> 1977 about - approximately <> 100,000 11 people had already been executed. < To my estimate, that was the 12 approximate number of people killed.> People <were sent in every night from cooperatives, from others sectors. It was so crowded 13 14 like in Orreusey market. After two days, three days or one night 15 or sometimes one week, they were gone and it was so quit. These 16 people were sent to the zone.> <> <Their belongings like> clothes 17 <were returned for us to reuse. Usually these people brought with</pre> 18 them their belongings and after they were killed this stuff was 19 returned to us for reuse. That made me learn the "zone" was the 20 connotation of the killing. It was lucky that I was not taken 21 away.>

22 [09.52.54]

So, after that, I learned that, indeed, the zone was the placewhere execution took place, and it was a blessing for me, indeed,

25 for not being allowed to go there.

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1 Q. Thank you. 2 To finish, I'm going to be asking more general questions. When 3 you were in Phnom Penh, you were told that you would return to Phnom Penh three to four days later. And later on, were you told 4 why you would not return to Phnom Penh? 5 A. I was not told, and I did not ask them -- or dare not ask б 7 them. Having noted anyone disappearing or someone die, we did not 8 have -- we did not dare ask them for any questions. We just 9 worked and worked. 10 [09.54.12]Q. When you left Phnom Penh, you were told that it was because 11 12 there was a risk that the U.S. may start bombing. So you left 13 your first home and you were told that you would be taken to 14 Battambang because there's a lot of rice there, and that isn't in 15 fact where you went. You told us that the Khmer Rouge invented 16 these excused to take you to place, and they weren't particularly 17 interested in keeping their word. But in your view, what was the 18 real reason for all of these movements? 19 A. I thought that the evacuation of the people from one place to 20 another is to temper them, because if they clearly told us that 21 we had to relocate, then we would feel very uncomfortable that we 22 had to leave our belongings behind. For that reason, they would 23 tell us that we would leave only for three days, but we left for

24 more than that. And then we had no hope that we would return, and

<sup>25</sup> for that reason we tried to temper ourselves to adhere ourselves Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 to the Angkar's lines. And as a result, 10 of my family members
- 2 died, and only two remained.
- 3 [09.55.49]

Q. So, you lived through the evacuation of Phnom Penh and the first forced transfer. In the first place, you lived in the conditions that you described, and then there was another forced transfer. There's another place, and you described the conditions of that to us as well. You've told us about the re-education centre.

From the experiences that you lived through, would you say that the evacuation of Phnom Penh and the forced transfer all belonged to a broader plan or policy by the Khmer Rouge?

A. I made my own analysis and I came to a conclusion: that was truly the policy of the Khmer Rouge; they did not value a human being. As long as their lines and their Angkar would progress forward, they don't care about the lives of people. Of course, they had plenty of medicines and rice, but they did not provide those to the people.

19 [09.57.12]

For us, as long as we could live together with our families, we would do our best in doing the work. I tried to transform myself and I could even compete with the Base People in transplanting rice, but they did not value us. Their intention was to eradicate us so that new born people would have new ideas based on the

25 their thinking and the way they act during the time.

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1	MS	SIMONNEAU-FORT:
	. D.	DINGINIARO IORI

2 Thank you very much, Madam. I have no further questions to ask 3 you. And in a more general way, I would like to thank you for 4 having made this rather difficult statement which has given us 5 some particularly useful elements for our file. Thank you, Madam, 6 and thank you, Mr. President.

- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Thank you.
- 9 The floor is now given to the Prosecution. You may now proceed.
- 10 QUESTIONING BY MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 11 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 12 morning to all parties, and to the gallery, and to all of you,
- 13 and to you, Witness. We are going to put a few follow-up
- 14 questions to you not many, but I believe this will take us to
- 15 the morning break, Mr. President.
- 16 [09.58.52]
- 17 Q. I simply would like to clarify a few things with you, starting
- 18 from 17 April 1975.

And in order to understand things better, can you give us the name of your first husband -- I don't think you gave us this name -- so, your husband who was an officer, who was in the Lon Nol army and who later on was executed?

23 MS. LAY BONY:

24 A. My husband's name was Prak Sinath. He was born in 1948 in

25 Pursat province.

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1	Q. Thank you. So, if I understood clearly what you said to us
2	yesterday, you told us that your husband, Prak Sinath, did not
3	take part in the battle against the Khmer Rouge in Phnom Penh.
4	So, aside from that, did you see or hear, on 17 April 1975,
5	fighting happening in Phnom Penh?
б	A. I did not know about that. What I knew was that the Khmer
7	Rouge arrived in Phnom Penh and the shelling stopped. And we were
8	jubilant and congratulated the victory of 17 April 1975 and that
9	we would have peace.
10	[10.00.33]
11	Q. Indeed, you said yesterday that you stepped out into the
12	street to congratulate the victors and to wave flags. So,
13	although you were delighted that the war was over, were you
14	afraid because of your husband's military past?
15	A. I was afraid because I heard that those people, during the
16	time that people were gathered to be soldiers and that they
17	would embowel people and take out the livers. So, when I saw them
18	dressing in black uniforms, I was afraid.
19	Q. Thank you. And you told us that people gathered in the streets
20	and they were singing and applauding. So, from the point of view
21	of the Khmer Rouge, how did the Khmer Rouge react when they saw
22	these crowds? Did they celebrate their victory with the crowds or
23	were they more reserved, or did they behave in a different way?
24	[10.02.04]

25 A. They were attentive and vigilant. We -- although we -- when we Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 raised our hand to congratulate them, they raised their hand
- 2 back. But they were in an attentive manner and they were
- 3 vigilant.
- 4 Q. Thank you.

5 Yesterday, you told us that the messages you were hearing from 6 the Khmer Rouge were broadcast by radio. Can you tell us if the 7 Khmer Rouge used loudspeakers, when you were on the street or 8 when you returned home, to give their first instructions to the 9 population?

10 A. I heard once when I was at my house, but while we were en 11 route we did not hear it. There was no announcement from 12 loudspeakers en route; we only heard the shouting that we had to 13 leave immediately.

Q. Thank you. And you said, regarding this, that one soldier then two other soldiers came to your home and ordered you to leave the city immediately. Following this, did you decide to leave the city right away or did you take a bit of time to gather your belonging? Or were the Khmer Rouge waiting for you before your home to make sure that you would be leaving?

20 [10.03.59]

A. At that time, I actually had prepared my belongings already, due to the shelling in the previous days. And in the morning we already cooked our rice and we had just to prepare the food for ourselves. And at the time that the soldiers came to our house,

<sup>25</sup> they were quite animated. And then my husband and my relatives Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 decided that we had to leave. If we did not go, we were afraid 2 that we would be shot. 3 Q. Thank you. So, these soldiers who told you to leave, did they tell you that you were leaving for three days or for a full week? 4 You said both yesterday. So, during your first contact with the 5 Khmer Rouge on 17 April, did they tell you that you would be б 7 leaving for three days or for seven days? 8 A. Initially, we were told that we would leave only for three 9 days, or the longest, 7 days, and that we did not have to bring 10 much belongings. And I thought the same thing, that -- how could 11 we go to the countryside without having sufficient belongings? So 12 I believed them; I believed that we would only leave for three 13 days, and the longest, seven days. And so everybody then just left. 14 15 [10.05.49]16 Q. You told us that you had to travel to the countryside. And did 17 they tell you exactly where you had to go, then, or all this was 18 not clear? 19 A. No, they did not tell us specifically as where we had to go; 20 what we were told was that we had to leave Phnom Penh. And when 21 we reached Monivong Boulevard, near the Royal School of Law, it 22 was so crowded. But at the Kbal Khnal (phonetic) junction, there 23 were various roads leading to various other directions, and the 24 road became less crowded, but they did not tell us to -- specific

25 directions that we had to follow.

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- 1 Q. And when they came to your home, these three Khmer Rouge
- 2 soldiers, did they tell you that they -- that the people would be
- 3 given vehicles to facilitate the evacuation?
- A. No, they did not. They simply told us to leave by whatevermeans we had.
- 6 [10.07.21]
- Q. So they told you not to take much with you. But did they tell you to take enough food, or enough medicine, or enough sleeping materials for a three-to-seven-day trip?
- 10 A. No, they did not tell us to bring this or that belonging. It's 11 up to us to bring along the things that we use on a daily basis. 12 But for my family, I did not bring rice with us because rice was 13 heavy, and I only brought some riel currency because I believed 14 that money could be used along the way.
- Q. But, of course, the Khmer Rouge didn't tell you that it was completely useless to bring currency with you. That's what I
- 17 understood yesterday.
- 18 A. No, they did not. And while we were en route, we heard about 19 that, so we were - we became so hopeless that the money was no 20 longer used.
- 21 Q. Thank you.
- 22 You spoke about the excuse of the American bombings, and I would
- 23 like return to this point.
- 24 When the Khmer Rouge arrived at your home or when you saw other

<sup>25</sup> Khmer Rouge soldiers along the road in Phnom Penh and later on, Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	did they come up with other excuses other than the American
2	bombings to justify this evacuation, to convince the people to
3	leave Phnom Penh quickly and without and problems?
4	[10.09.24]
5	A. No, they did not tell anything besides that the Americans
6	would bomb the city. And of course we were afraid of the
7	bombardments, so we also tried to rush ourselves to leave the
8	city.
9	Q. Thank you.
10	You also told us that the Khmer Rouge who came to your home were
11	armed, and you were frightened. And was their attitude
12	threatening? Were - did they seem threatening to you?
13	A. At that time, they did not threaten me. Actually, I was on the
14	upper floor, and my husband went downstairs to meet with them.
15	They had their guns and they were quite animated. And by seeing
16	them having guns, we were already afraid.
17	Q. You told us yesterday that the order to leave the city was
18	firm and the Khmer Rouge were determined. In the way the order
19	was given and the Khmer Rouge attitude, did they lead you to
20	believe that you had free choice and that you could stay at home
21	or that you could chose to leave instead?
22	[10.10.54]
23	A. No, I did not think like that at that time. We had to go
24	because we were so afraid of the American aerial bombardment

25 because we saw the damages from the shelling previously. So we Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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2	Q. Did you see along the road when you left Phnom Penh, in the
3	different quarters that you travelled through did you hear
4	that certain people, however, tried to discuss the orders with
5	the Khmer Rouge the orders to leave the city?
б	A. No, I did not witness that personally, but my family members
7	saw that. They said that we had to just proceed ahead; and if we
8	return, then we would be killed. And of course I heard gun shots.
9	Q. In the city of Phnom Penh, when you were leaving Phnom Penh,
10	did you see Khmer Rouge shoot in the air or threaten people to
11	force them to leave the city quicker, for example?
12	[10.12.33]
13	A. Yes, I did see that. I was threatened while en route. At that
14	time, I had a green colour carry bag, and I had some essential
15	belongings, including money, and I carried it with me while I was
16	sitting on the truck. It seems that the Khmer Rouge soldiers
17	really despised the Khmer - the soldiers; and when they saw that
18	green bag, they pointed a gun at me and asked me to throw away
19	the bag. I was shaken and terrified, so I pulled out my
20	belongings and placed it on a piece of scarf and I threw away
21	that bag immediately. And if I didn't do that, I would have been
22	shot. They really threatened me, at the time, to get rid of that
23	bag.

24 Q. I would like you to clarify what you said yesterday regarding

<sup>25</sup> the Lon Nol soldiers who were in uniform. You told us that you Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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saw certain things and that other people had told you that the 1 2 Lon Nol soldiers had been arrested and that their hands had been 3 tied behind their backs. Can you tell us more clearly what you 4 and your husband saw or what other people told you about this? 5 A. At that time, I did not see it, but my husband and family б members saw them being arrested. So, from that point - from that 7 point of view, we could see that they were really enemies, the 8 Khmer Rouge soldiers and Lon Nol soldiers. If they noticed the 9 ankles had the marks of where of wearing boots, then they would 10 be -- conclude that they were the soldiers and they would be 11 arrested.

12 [10.14.56]

Q. Yesterday, you provided us with an example of a colonel who was a member of your - who was one of your in-laws who had been identified as a soldier at a checkpoint and who - and therefore he was forced to return to Phnom Penh to work there. So, did you learn later on what happened to this colonel who was one of your in-laws, once he returned to Phnom Penh?

19 A. At that time, the Khmer Rouge did not know that my other 20 in-law was a colonel. When he left Phnom Penh, he went to stay at 21 Preaek Aeng. At that time, there was an announcement on the 22 speaker that, for any military officers, they should return to 23 Phnom Penh to resume their work. Of course, as a human being, we 24 would have an ambition and we did not want to stay in the open.

<sup>25</sup> So, upon hearing such an announcement, he prepared his belongings Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 and returned to Phnom Penh. However, since the day he left, he
- 2 disappeared, so we concluded that he was killed by the Khmer

3 Rouge.

4 [10.16.33]

5 Q. Thank you.

Yesterday, as well, you told us that when you left Phnom Penh, in б 7 your area or in the neighbouring areas you saw bodies -- or at 8 least your husband had seen bodies in the streets. Were these 9 bodies the bodies of civilians or were they soldiers? 10 A. The bodies that I saw at Preaek Pra commune were in civilian 11 clothes. And I saw young children bodies in the hammocks. So, 12 they were simply civilians. I did not know for what reason that 13 they were killed. 14 Q. Did you see other bodies before you arrived at Preaek Pra 15 commune -- in Phnom Penh itself? 16 A. On the way, I say one or two dead bodies. And by seeing dead 17 bodies, I was afraid that if we did not follow their 18 instructions, then we would be killed by the Khmer Rouge. And we 19 were very afraid upon seeing those dead bodies. 20 [10.18.21]21 Q. So, these one or two bodies you saw, were these the bodies of 22 soldiers or were the bodies wearing civilian clothes?

23 A. They were in civilian clothes.

24 Q. Yesterday, you said to us that there were several checkpoints

25 along the way, in particularly the one of Chheu Teal, and you Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	told us that you could no longer move ahead nor move back from
2	there. Can you tell us if you were checked at other checkpoints
3	along the way by Khmer Rouge soldiers?
4	A. At those checkpoints where we were not allowed to proceed
5	further and that we were not allowed to cross the checkpoint, we
6	tried to escape from that place so that we could reunite with my
7	parents in Khsach Kandal district of Kandal province.
8	Q. So, at the different checkpoints, did you see Khmer Rouge
9	confiscate belongings from the evacuees?
10	[10.19.56]
11	A. No, I did not see them confiscate anything. We could carry our
12	belongings, except anything belonging to soldiers or military.
13	Then they would point guns to those people and they would get rid
14	of those military stuff.
15	Q. You made a distinction between 17 April People and the Base
16	People. So, as of when did you hear this mention of 17 April
17	People? Was it already when you were travelling to your village
18	or was it later?
19	A. Since I reached Svay Prateal village, in S'ang district, and I
20	stayed there for two weeks and I contacted with the local people
21	there, and they referred to themselves as the Base People and
22	that we were called the 17 April People who were just evacuated
23	from Phnom Penh.

24 Q. Thank you.

25 Now I would like to turn to your departure from Khsach Kandal, Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- when the village chief told you to prepare your belongings to
   leave to what he said would be Battambang.
- And when this village chief named Pat asked you to prepare yourbelongings, was this an order, or could you discuss this
- 5 decision?
- 6 [10.21.59]

7 A. It was an order. And also we thought that if we go to
8 Battambang it would be better, because in Cambodia everyone was
9 very well aware that Battambang was a rich province. So we did
10 not even have a slight idea of a protest against going to
11 Battambang.

Q. And during the evacuation of Phnom Penh, when you were told that you would leaving for three to seven days -- and in the end you were already in Khsach Kandal for a year or at least and you were not allowed to return home. And when the village chief told you that you would be going to Battambang, did you doubt what he was saying? Did you have any questions about the truthfulness of what he was telling you?

19 [10.23.00]

A. At that time, I did not have any suspicion because, at Khsach Kandal, the communal - the commune chief told us that we should go because then the food was plentiful there, and at that location there was not enough food, and there were too many people, so new families could not be supported, and for that

<sup>25</sup> reason we should leave.

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1	Q. Thank you.
2	I have a last question which, in fact, is a request for
3	clarification. And you told us that all of the people who left
4	Khsach Kandal to Pursat, therefore who were taken away by
5	different vehicles, were evacuees or, in any case, 17 April
6	People. And you told us that there were about 200 people. And did
7	most of these people stay in cooperatives in Pursat or did some
8	of them keep on going with their journey to Battambang?
9	A. I did not know much about that because I only knew that when
10	we reached the Kaoh Chum Cooperative that's all I knew.
11	Q. Thank you.
12	And last question: When you arrived at the cooperative, were you
13	questioned about your past? Were you obliged to draft a
14	biography?
15	[10.25.00]
16	A. No, they did not question us, but we were put into various
17	groups and units, and we were asked what we did in Phnom Penh or
18	what business we were engaged in. But we were not asked to write
19	a biography.
20	Q. And there again, as you had done before, did you say that your
21	husband had been a cab driver?
22	A. Yes, I told them that my husband was a Lambretta driver.
23	MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
24	Thank you very much, Civil Party.

25 I believe my colleague might have a few questions to put to you Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 before the morning break.
- 2 Thank you.
- 3 QUESTIONING BY MR. CHAN DARARASMEY:

Good morning, Mr. President, Your Honours. Good morning, Madam
Civil Party. I only have a few supplementary questions to put to
you.

Q. I want to know that -- when people were evacuated from Phnom Penh was there any family or anyone who request not to leave Phnom Penh? Did they have such a choice of not leaving Phnom Penh?

- 11 [10.26.54]
- 12 MS. LAY BONY

A. I did not know about that at that time because I did not think about other people; I was busy thinking about my family members. So I did not know whether any family requested not to leave Phnom

- 16 Penh.
- 17 Q. When there were arrests of people or the former Lon Nol

18 soldiers, were business people arrested too? Was - were the

19 arrests conducted in general, for everyone?

20 A. As far as I knew, all Lon Nol soldiers would be arrested if

21 they were suspicious (sic) of being Lon Nol soldiers.

22 Q. What about ordinary civilians or business people? Were they

23 also arrested?

24 A. Let me speak a little bit on this matter.

25 As for the ordinary civilians, while I was at the tempering Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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office, I learned that not only soldiers had been arrested, but civilians were also arrested, as they were alleged or being capitalists or feudalist or those who sold gold at the market in Phnom Penh. So, while I was in that office, I learned that from all walks of life people had been arrested.

6 [10.28.48]

Q. Before the commencement of the evacuation of people from Phnom Penh, was there an announcement on the radio or was there any word from mouth to mouth regarding the planned evacuation? A. No, I did not learn in advance that there would be an evacuation, but they came to us promptly and that we had to leave in the wake of the American bombardment.

Q. During the period that you stayed at the location where you had been evacuated to, there were criticism meetings, as you said. What was the intention of such a meeting? And who actually led that meeting?

17 [10.29.53]

A. The criticism meeting was led by the group and deputy - the group chief and deputy group chief. The purpose was for people to criticize anyone who was a member of the group who made a mistake. Base People would be able to deny or to protest any criticism, but for us, the 17 April People, we kept silent and just tried to commit ourselves, to refashion ourselves and try to not make mistake again.

25 Q. When you and other people who had to serve Angkar and then Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	fell ill, how were you treated when you got sick?
2	A. If we got ill for example, practically, it was obvious that
3	we got diarrhoea or vomiting and people saw this, then we
4	could have a rest. But we couldn't afford to be sick because
5	others would say that we pretended to be sick and they would look
6	us - they would give a strange look at us when we did so.
7	Q. What did you do what did people do in the cooperatives?
8	[10.31.36]
9	A. At cooperatives, during dry season, we would be asked to dig
10	canals to keep water for irrigation - for paddy fields. And
11	during the rainy season and the farming season in particular, we
12	were asked to transplant rice, to build dykes, and so on and so
13	forth.
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25 morning to my learned colleagues. I take issue with this question Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	because it relates to the security centres. The security centres
2	are not relevant to document E124.
3	MR. CHAN DARARASMEY:
4	Mr. President, this morning, the civil party testified about the
5	security centre and the place where her husband was detained and
б	tortured. I would just like to ask her the techniques of
7	torturing and I would like to know more about how her husband was
8	treated under detention. I would like her to answer to this
9	question.
10	[10.33.52]
11	MR. PRESIDENT:
12	The objection is well reasoned and, therefore, sustained.
13	The National Co-prosecutor is not allowed to put questions that
14	straying out of the scope of the facts being at issue here. We
15	are now focusing on the immediate evacuations of Phnom Penh and
16	the city, so the questions shall always be framed to go straight
17	to these particular areas.
18	The civil party is somehow entitled with the right to express her
19	suffering in the scope of Case File $002/01$ , and after such
20	expression of suffering, parties will be offered the opportunity
21	to address a few points if they wish.
22	So, please, do not dwell on the same problem.
23	BY MR. CHAN DARAMASMEY:
24	Q. Since we are running out of time, I would like to ask just a

25 few final questions.

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- 1 You talked about the hardship, the difficulties you encountered
- 2 during the evacuation. Can you please describe to the Chamber all
- 3 these hardships? Were they different?
- 4 [10.35.38]
- 5 MS. LAY BONY:

A. I had a lot of difficulties. I endured hardship. I used to be б 7 raised in Phnom Penh, I never got used to hard labour. I had just 8 delivered my baby for a few days, and when I was evacuated I had to be separated from my family members. And, again, after giving 9 10 a baby, my health was not good, and I could see other people had 11 to give birth mid-way. Some people had to be pushed on hospital 12 beds because they were seriously sick, and I could see elderly 13 people who had to be walking without proper destination. So, 14 everyone who left the city had a lot of difficulties, and these 15 difficulties were also shared by the people at the local area. 16 MR. CHAN DARAMASMEY: 17 Thank you very much, Civil Party, for your responses. 18 And I thank you, Mr. President and Your Honours, for this 19 opportunity. 20 MR. PRESIDENT: 21 Thank you, Counsel, and thank you, Civil Party. 22 It is now appropriate time for adjournment. The Chamber will 23 adjourn.

24 And court officer is not instructed to assist the civil party

25 during the adjournment and have her return by 11 a.m.

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- 1 THE GREFFIER:
- 2 (No interpretation)
- 3 (Court recesses from 1037H to 1103H)
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Please be seated. The Court is back in session.

6 I now hand over to the defence team for Mr. Nuon Chea to put the

- 7 question to the civil party in question. You may proceed.
- 8 QUESTIONING BY MR. SON ARUN:

9 Good Morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, and good 10 morning to everyone. My name is a Son Arun. I have a few 11 questions to put to the civil party. I am the defence lawyer for 12 Mr. Nuon Chea. I only have a few questions for you, and then I 13 will hand over to my colleague. And my colleague does not have 14 too many questions, either. We will need approximately one hour. 15 [11.04.54]

Q. My question to you is as follows. In the record of interview, document D246/3, that you actually received from the civil party lawyer -- I would like to base my question on this record of interview.

20 During the interview with the investigators of the OCIJ, there 21 was one question to you, and the question reads: "Did you ever 22 see the execution of people at Trach Kraol."

And in your response you said yes, you did. At one time, one prisoner was taken to the communal dining hall of the

25 cooperatives, and Angkar told the people who were present there Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	that the man who was being arrested was trying to flee the
2	cooperatives. And then after they introduced this man to the
3	crowd, and then the man was beheaded. I and then you said that
4	you did not see the beheading of the man, but you only saw the
5	head of the corpse fell down on the ground. So you said that you
6	saw the beheaded head on the ground.
7	So, did you see the beheaded head falling down or you merely saw
8	the head was on the ground?
9	[11.06.55]
10	MR. PRESIDENT:
11	Witness the Civil Party, rather, please hold on.
12	The Civil Party Lawyer, you may proceed.
13	MS. MOCH SOVANNARY:
14	I do not object to this question, Mr. President, but I would like
15	the counsel to be more precise in relation to the page number or
16	the relevant ERN number.
17	BY MR. SON ARUN:
18	Thank you. It is document D246/3; relevant ERN in Khmer
19	rather, in English, 00379146; French, 002456
20	MR. PRESIDENT:
21	Mr. Prosecutor, you may proceed.
22	[11.08.01]
23	MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
24	Thank you, Mr. President. You have noticed that, in the questions
25	that wore put by the given party lawyong and by the program torg

25 that were put by the civil party lawyers and by the prosecutors, Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	this aspect has not really been covered, except for a few
2	questions in especially because the civil party had said that
3	her husband, who had been an officer, had been identified as
4	such. And this is was why he ended up or both of them ended up
5	in this detention centre. All other details were silence because
б	in we are now in Case 002/1.
7	So, therefore, I am questioning the Defence's reasons to return
8	to these details which, of course, are interesting but do not
9	seem to us to involve directly the first trial. So the questions
10	on this centre should be more limited and should be limited to
11	the way the different Lon Nol soldiers were treated if they were
12	identified as such. And we should not go beyond this.
13	MR. SON ARUN:
14	I would like to respond to Mr. Prosecutor.
15	My question relates to the record of interview, with the
16	questions by the investigator of the OCIJ and the civil party in
17	question. So, actually, the statement was there already. I simply
18	asked for clarification by the civil party, since she is here.
19	[11.09.42]
20	MR. PRESIDENT:
21	The civil party is directed to respond to the question asked by
22	the defence lawyer for Mr. Nuon Chea.
23	MS. LAY BONY:
24	A Thank you In Trach Kraol Drigon it was the last re-education

24 A. Thank you. In Trach Kraol Prison, it was the last re-education

25 centre I was imprisoned there.

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1 Whenever there was anyone who attempted to escape the centre, 2 then they would call a rally, and during that rally they would 3 present this person. So, normally, we met at the dining hall --4 communal dining hall, but before we finished our lunch, they 5 presented to us prisoners who were captured and they would tell б the people over there that this person was trying to escape, so 7 the Party would smash this kinds of person, the Party would not 8 keep this person. Then, at that time, everyone was aware that the 9 person who was presented to us was the one to be beheaded or 10 executed. So we were very worried. And then, when we were talking 11 to each other -- and then we heard the scream. And then, 12 actually, when we turned back, we saw that the person was 13 beheaded. And we saw the beheaded head on the ground. 14 [11.11.15] 15 Actually, the situation at the - at Trach Kraol Prison was very -16 was very horrible, and we could see that horrible scene. And 17 people over there lived in a very miserable situation, and--18 BY MR. SON ARUN: 19 Q. Well, I have to interrupt you, I'm sorry. I do not want to 20 hear too much of the detail, but I would like to ask you very 21 specifically whether or not you saw the prisoner head was 22 beheaded. And then you used the words -- you did not see the 23 moment they decapitated him, but you saw the head of the prisoner 24 being dropped on the ground. So I just would like to know whether 25 or not you saw the beheading activity or you simply saw the head

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- 1 of the prisoner on the ground.
- 2 MS. LAY BONY:
- 3 A. That's what I saw. I actually saw that the prisoner was about

4 to be decapitated, but I did not see the actual decapitation
5 because I was afraid; I dare not look at it.

6 Q. I would like to move on to the next question. It is on the7 same page of the same document.

8 The questions by the Judge: "Did you know where they dispose of

9 the corpse?"

And then there was another question after that: "There were a few Khmer Rouge soldiers who were involved in the execution of the prisoner. Those soldiers were then accused of something else, and then those soldiers were also imprisoned and executed later on. From 1975 to 1976 the Khmer Rouge soldiers killed some 100,000 prisoners, and I believe that this figure was correct."

16 [11.13.49]

17 And then you said to the Co-Investigating Judges that you think 18 that the figure was correct.

And what did you base your statement on -- or your belief on -that within a period of a one-year span, there were up to 100 prisoners killed-- 100,000, rather?

A. It was my belief at that time, and I thought that the figurewas correct.

24 We worked every three days, and then we have to stop for about

25 two days. So, on every -- two-day basis, they brought up to 100 Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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to 200 people for execution. And they started killing not only in 1976, but it started in 1975. So, if you do a little of the calculation of 365 days per year, and then if they killed approximately 100 to 200 prisoners every two or three days, then you can imagine how many of prisoners would have been killed during that period.

7 [11.15.03]

And the reason why I believe, because every day they sent people 8 from different cooperatives, and it was very crowded and we see 9 10 people being frogmarched. And we saw them only one or two days, 11 and then those people disappeared, so I thought that they must 12 have been killed. And we heard from people -- particularly those who were the soldiers, those who frogmarched those prisoners out 13 14 -- and those people were the ones who knew this story. And they 15 were -- themselves were imprisoned as well, and some of them 16 returned, and they told that they brought those prisoners to be 17 executed.

18 Even at night, we could smell the odour, the stink -- the odour 19 of the dead bodies that were being perished.

Q. From 1975 through 1979, you were evacuated from one place to another, according to your statement to the Office of Co-Investigating Judges. You were evacuated from Phnom Penh first, and then the Khmer Rouge soldiers located you in certain

24 places, and there were actually different phases of evacuation.

25 [11.17.00]

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1	During the evacuation period, did you ever hear the instruction
2	the direct instruction from the leaders? For example, did you
3	simply go along with the crowd whenever you had to move or you
4	heard the direct instruction from the leaders?
5	A. Yes, there were several phases. I left Phnom Penh, and then I
б	went to other places. And of course it was not my desire to move
7	from one place to another, but it was the order or the
8	instruction from the superiors. I were request to move from
9	Kandal province to Kampong Chhnang and Pursat province, and then
10	I were imprisoned in different prison centres as well, including
11	Trach Kraol, Boeng Khnar, and other places. So it was the
12	direction from the leaders. It was not my desire to move around
13	across the country.
14	Q. My question really is: Did you hear the instruction directly
15	from the leader or you simply heard from members of the crowd who
16	told you that we had to move, and then you moved along with them?
17	A. I heard I heard from the leaders, particularly the unit
18	chief supervising crowd. And they were members of the armies and
19	they were the unit chief in charge of the prison with which we
20	were imprisoned.
21	[11.18.50]
22	Q. You told the Court earlier that you were in the prison. Were
23	you in the prison the entire period when you left Phnom Penh or
24	

25 imprisoned?

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1	A. From mid-1976, when I was in Pursat province, I was being
2	imprisoned all the time. At that time, we would not live in our
3	house; we had to live in the prison camps with others. There were
4	ordinary prisons, and there dark prisons. And we had to live in
5	the prison camps for a long period of time with many, many
6	prisoners.
7	Q. When you were being imprisoned, as you put it, did the Khmer
8	Rouge soldiers at that time call it "prisons", or it was called
9	something else at that time?
10	A. No, at that time it was not called "prison" as such, but it
11	was called the re-education centre.
12	[11.20.22]
13	Q. When you saw the supervisor within your team, what was the
14	dress code of the supervisor? Were they in military uniform or
15	they were in any particular uniform?
16	A. At that time, they wore black clothes and they were all armed.
17	So, they were armed at all times. Even during lunch or mealtimes,
18	they were also armed. Whenever they frogmarched other people out,
19	they were also armed.
20	Q. When you were instructed to go out to do work, for example in
21	the field or so, did you notice the language they used? Were they
22	the Khmer did they use Khmer language or ethnic minority? Did
23	you notice the accent of those supervisors or soldiers? Were they
24	Cambodian the mainstream Cambodian or people from minority

<sup>25</sup> groups?

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1	A. Well, when they gave us instructions to go to work, their
2	accent were purely Cambodian. And if I recognized the accent
3	correction, they were people from Pursat province.
4	Q. In the same documents I move on to another question.
5	[11.22.33]
б	Just now, I asked you concerning your evacuation in several
7	phases during the entire period of the Democratic Kampuchea.
8	During this period, did you ever see any foreigners, whether they
9	be the technician or military personnel or anybody during this
10	period?
11	A. No, I never met any foreigners during that period.
12	Q. This is going to be my last question.
13	In document D246/3 Khmer ERN 00373256; English, 00379164;
14	French, 00422458 this is the question the last question by
15	the Co-Investigating Judges. The question reads: "As"
16	My apology; let me check this again.
17	So, the question reads: "As a civil party, what are your
18	expectations?"
19	And in your response, you stated - quote:
20	"I want justice for those innocent people who died during the
21	Khmer Rouge regime. I want the Khmer Rouge senior leaders to be
22	held responsible and punished for the offences they committed. I
23	would also like to find those who supported, who were at the back
24	of the Khmer Rouge regime, both foreigners and Cambodians." End

<sup>25</sup> quote.

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#### 1 [11.25.00]

2 So, on this particular portion of the interview -- particularly 3 your statement to the question by the Investigating Judges -- why did you make such an appeal before the Office of Co-Investigating 4 5 Judges? Why did you want to bring to justice those who supported the Khmer Rouge regime, both national and foreigners? What do you б 7 mean by "foreigners" here? Why did you appeal to have those 8 foreigners and Cambodian nationals who supported the Khmer Rouge 9 -- to justice?

10 A. Because I was suggesting that the order -- the order that was 11 carried out during the Khmer Rouge period were in concerted and 12 systematic structure. So it was not the decision of the unit 13 chief or the cooperative chief or so; there must be people who 14 were behind the Khmer Rouge. I know that there were people who 15 were backing up the Khmer Rouge because I saw a fleet of trucks 16 -- fleet of trucks transporting items, and then those trucks, as 17 far as I knew, were the support of China. And those personnel who 18 were in the fleet of trucks carrying goods or so wore different 19 uniforms. So we have to find out who they were, and we wanted 20 this Court to find out who were behind -- who were supporting. 21 [11.26.41]22 We know -- I, myself, am convinced that this Court will

23 definitely find justice for the victims of the Khmer Rouge

have sustained a lot of pain and suffering to date.

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regime, and particularly those who are still surviving but they

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1 MR. SON ARUN: 2 Thank you. Thank you, Civil Party. On behalf of the defence team for Mr. Nuon Chea, I thank you for responding to my question. 3 4 I would like to now hand over to my colleague to put more 5 questions to you. б Thank you, Mr. President. 7 QUESTIONING BY MR. PAUW: 8 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, everyone in and around the courtroom, and especially good morning to you, Ms. Lay Bony. 9 10 Thank you for being here with us today. As Mr. Son Arun 11 indicated, I will have about 30 more minutes of questions. 12 Q. And my first questions will relate to the situation before 13 April 1975. 14 [11.28.00] 15 You have already testified about the period leading up to April 16 1975 and you have described it as a chaotic situation. And you 17 have also spoken about the huge influx of people in Phnom Penh. 18 Can you tell us a little bit more about this huge influx of 19 people in Phnom Penh? Did you actually see those people as they 20 were entering Phnom Penh before April 1975? 21 MS. LAY BONY: 22 A. Thank you. I saw this in person. When the war was being 23 brought closer to Phnom Penh, we could see people moving in with 24 their family members, and it was crowded. Cambodiana Hotel was

25 not yet complete -- the construction was not yet complete, and it Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	was already crowded with refugees displaced people who took
2	refuge at the vicinity. The price of food increased, and we
3	received some American aids, and these supplied aids could then
4	be sold by the soldiers.
5	Q. Thank you. And you described that these people stayed around
6	the Cambodiana Hotel. Were there other places in the city where
7	these refugees assembled?
8	A. I saw people in other places. I only indicated with reference
9	to that particular location for example. A lot of people had to
10	remain in other areas, like rented rooms and places where they
11	could stay.
12	[11.30.39]
13	Q. And, as far as you could tell, did these refugees all have
14	shelter or did some of them have to stay out on the streets or in
15	the fields?
16	A. It is difficult to describe because, for example, for a big
17	house, we had when the price increased, we had to split the
18	space in the house, setting up some partition so that it could be
19	rented to refugees people who would come to the city to take
20	refuge for some income.
21	Q. So, some refugees were housed in others houses in Phnom Penh.
22	But did you also see refugees camped on the streets or in shacks,
23	for example?
24	A. During the time when Phnom Penh was about to fall, I did not

25 go out a lot because I was about to give birth to my baby. And Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	the bombings were heard dropping all across the surrounding
2	areas, so I was so scared to leave my home.
3	[11.32.42]
4	Q. And, as far as you could tell, these refugees that had moved
5	into Phnom Penh, did they have enough food, or was that
6	difficult?
7	A. It was difficult when it comes to food because Phnom Penh was
8	not expected to accommodate all these great influx of people from
9	the different places of the country. So there were a lot of
10	difficulties looking for food, earning incomes, for example. So,
11	it's really difficult.
12	Q. You have also stated yesterday that your family did not have a
13	problem with rice because soldiers were given enough rice. I
14	would like you to clarify a bit for us. Did the government give
15	you, in fact, actually rice or did they give you enough money to
16	buy rice?
17	[11.34.17]
18	A. At that time, my husband was a soldier, so he received some
19	rice from his unit.
20	Q. And, also yesterday, you testified that your family had
21	problems getting other foodstuffs foodstuff other than rice.
22	Could you give us some examples? What sort of foodstuffs couldn't
23	you get?
24	A. In my family, we did not have problem with food supply because
25	we dug a small hiding place where we could keep all these

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1	foodstuffs, including fish paste, the salt, and other kitchen
2	needs. So we did not have a lot of problems with this.
3	Q. And the following questions are about the citizens of Phnom
4	Penh that were not refugees and that were not soldiers. So I'm
5	speaking about the normal citizens of Phnom Penh.
6	Did you witness their situation? Did they have problems acquiring
7	foodstuffs?
8	[11.36.15]
9	A. Yes, they did, as already indicated, although I did not see
10	this in person; as I had been about to give birth to my baby, I
11	remained in the house. But I heard from my neighbours, who said
12	that people had a lot of difficulties with food.
13	Q. And do you know if the normal citizens of Phnom Penh had
14	access to adequate healthcare? Were there enough doctors, enough
15	hospitals, and enough medicine?
16	A. It is not fair to say that there was shortcoming of medical
17	care because there were enough hospitals open for offering
18	medical care to people who needed such care.
19	Q. And was it difficult to get to those hospitals to receive that
20	health care?
21	A. I do not know how to respond to this because I did not
22	experience being admitted to any of the hospitals at that time.
23	So I can't say about this.
24	Q. Thank you for that answer.

25 You were -- or you have told us that you have been told that you Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	had to leave the city because of American bombardments that might
2	be coming. At that time, in 1975, did you believe that did you
3	believe that the Americans might be bombing Phnom Penh?
4	A. At that time, I was afraid because the message was convincing
5	already. A few days or months before that, we already noted that
6	bombs were dropped, so when having heard that the city would be
7	bombed, we were terrified already, so we had to move.
8	[11.39.11]
9	Q. Thank you.
10	You have stated that you were evacuated from Phnom Penh and then,
11	after a after some travels, you arrived in Anhcheaeng Leu
12	village, which is in the Puk Ruessei commune, in the Khsach
13	Kandal district and my apologies for the pronunciation. And
14	you have stated that over there there was enough food. Could you
15	elaborate a little bit on that for us?
16	A. In Anhcheaeng Leu of Khsach Kandal district, I could say that
17	the food was decent because by every evening we would be asked to
18	get some fish and we could also find some rice. After leaving
19	Phnom Penh, we left with silk fabrics or other clothing, and we
20	could have them traded for rice, and we also could trade these
21	items for some kind of fish or vegetables. So I could say that
22	when we evacuated to the rural area during these early days with
23	this food, I could say it was decent.
24	O And a hit later after some more travels, you arrived in Kach

24 Q. And a bit later, after some more travels, you arrived in Kaoh

25 Chum Pagoda. And you have stated that you were given the

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- 1 opportunity to choose a cooperative that you wanted to go to.
- 2 Could you tell us a little bit about that? Who provided you with
- 3 the opportunity to choose a cooperative?
- 4 [11.42.06]

A. At Kaoh Chum Pagoda, people were unloaded from the ox carts or people were stopped at that location where ox carts would be waiting for us, and we were allowed to go to any direction we preferred, or if we would like to remain at the Kaoh Chum Cooperative, then we would be allowed to do so.

10 And our family members who were from Pursat said that we should 11 not move elsewhere because it doesn't matter where we went, we 12 would end up being farmers doing farming, so we might as well 13 wish to remain in the location.

Q. And just to remind us, can you tell us from when to when you stayed in the Kaoh Chum Pagoda? Could you give us an estimate of the year and the months?

A. At Kaoh Chum Pagoda or Kaoh Chum Cooperative, I was there at
-- during the rainy season, after 19 -- or after the Khmer New
Year; it was in 1976. So, after the Khmer New Year, I had then
been transferred to the tempering centre all along.

21 [11.44.01]

Q. And you have also stated that during your time at the KaohChum Pagoda you never saw people die of starvation. Is that

24 correct?

25 A. Yes, it is. I never saw people die of starvation. Although the Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	rice was of short supplies at the cooperative, we could make use
2	of the rice we brought along with us and we could exchange the
3	we could ask people who fed the pigs, you know, with food, to
4	exchange the food for human beings.
5	Q. Thank you.
б	And then, when you came back to Phnom Penh you stated to the
7	investigators, when you came back to Phnom Penh you lost your
8	house. Could you tell us how you lost your house?
9	A. Upon returning to Phnom Penh it was in 1980 because by 1979
10	I had still been in Pursat. I came to Phnom Penh in 1980 and I
11	could not recognize my house anymore because it was it used to
12	be located across from Long Nget hospital and it was reduced to
13	just an empty plot of land.
14	Q. Just so I understand, was your house reduced to an empty plot
15	of land or was the area in front of your house reduced to an
16	empty plot of land?
17	[11.46.38]
18	A. (Microphone not activated)
19	MR. PRESIDENT:
20	Civil Party, could you please make sure that the mic is activated
21	before you proceed with your response?
22	MS. LAY BONY:
23	A. My house was across from Lon Nget hospital, but the current
24	residence is in Tuek Thla area. It was far from it is far from

25 the previous home, which was on Sangkat Number 4.

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- 1 BY MR. PAUW:
- 2 Q. That makes sense.

You have stated to the investigators of the OCIJ that when you came back to your house there were officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs living in your house. How did you find out about this?

- 7 [11.47.40]
- 8 MS. LAY BONY:

9 A. I learned about this after asking other people about who

10 stayed in the house. No, actually, these people stayed at my

11 aunt's house, not at my former home. The place was still vacant.

12 Q. And do you know who these officials of the Ministry of Foreign

13 Affairs were? Were they Cambodians or were they Vietnamese, by

- 14 any chance?
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Civil Party, could you please hold on?

17 And Counsel for the civil parties, you are on your feet. You may

- 18 proceed.
- 19 MS. MOCH SOVANNARY:

20 I take issue with the current questions put to my -- to the civil

21 party because it is not within the scope of the matter before us,

22 as the question is relevant to the event after 1980s.

23 MR. PAUW:

24 I would submit, Mr. President, that it is relevant. The civil

25 party has been asked what happened to her house. This is directly Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 related to the evacuation of Phnom Penh in 1975. That's when she 2 was made to leave her house, according to her testimony. It 3 matters whether she got her house back or not and it matters why 4 she did not get her house back.

5 [11.49.23]

It seems, from her statements to the OCIJ, that she did not get 6 7 her house back because the current government -- or at least the 8 government that was in place in 1980 -- did not return the house. 9 My client could not be held responsible for such a fact, so it 10 would be a mitigating factor. We need to explore if the current 11 government -- the government in 1980 -- took the house of the 12 civil party and whether or not they had returned it. So I would 13 submit that this question is relevant.

14 MR. PRESIDENT:

Madam Civil Party, you may respond to the question, but please be more precise on the subject matter before us now. Make sure that you are referring to your home or you aunt's home. So we believe that your response was already clear to us, but counsel may wish to hear from you again whether you are referring to your home or your aunt's home again.

21 [11.50.48]

22 MS. LAY BONY:

A. My home was reduced to an empty plot of land. The officialsonly came to live at my aunt's home and these people were

25 officials from the Foreign Ministry.

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BY MR. PAUW:

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2 Q. So your statement to the investigators of the Co Investigating 3 Judges on this issue is incorrect? Is that how I should understand your position? 4 Maybe I will, for transparency purposes, read out to you what you 5 have stated to the investigators. And it is the document that we б 7 have been speaking about all along. It is document number D246/3, and the Khmer ERN is 00373255, and the English ERN is 00379164. 8 9 The question was: "What happened to your house in Phnom Penh?" 10 And your answer was: "I lost my house. I returned to see my house 11 in 1980, but officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs were 12 living in my house." End of quote. [11.52.29]13 14 So my question, again, is: This portion of your statement to the 15 OCIJ is incorrect; is that fair to say? 16 MS. LAY BONY: 17 A. I came to see that my house was -- or belonged to others 18 already, because at the beginning, when I came back, the plot of 19 land that used to belong to me was reduced to an empty plot of 20 land, but later on people built a home on that empty land. But 21 then next to my -- the home was my aunt's house that -- occupied 22 by officials. 23 Q. Thank you for that explanation. And it's not very important as 24 such, but I will repeat the question: Is it fair to say that your

<sup>25</sup> statement that officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs were Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 living in your house was incorrect?
- 2 [11.54.13]

A. I already stated that my home was already reduced to an empty plot of land and the house that was adjacent to my former home was my aunt's house and it was occupied by the officials from the Foreign Ministry, because there was no home, no -- there was no my home again after -- when I went back to see it.
Q. Thank you. That clarifies things.

9 And just to be clear, you did sign this statement that you

10 delivered before the investigators of the Co Investigating Judges

11 and you confirmed its accuracy in the courtroom today. Is that

- 12 correct?
- 13 A. I did confirm that and I did state this in person before the14 Investigating Judges.

15 MR. PAUW:

16 Thank you.

17 I have no further question, and I thank you for coming here. And

18 on behalf of the Nuon Chea defence team, I wish you a safe trip

19 back after my colleagues for the other defence teams have

20 finished their questioning. Thank you.

21 MR. PRESIDENT:

22 Thank you, Counsel.

23 We would like now to proceed to counsels for Mr. Ieng Sary to put 24 questions to the civil party if they wish to do so.

25 [11.56.20]

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1	MR. ANG UDOM:
2	Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Your Honours. And good
3	morning, Madam Lay Bony. I am Ang Udom. With my colleague, Mr.
4	Michael Karnavas, who is sitting at the back, we are representing
5	Mr. Ieng Sary. We do not have any questions to put to you.
б	Nonetheless, on behalf of Mr. Ieng Sary we would like to thank
7	you very much for taking the stand to give your testimonies, and
8	we wish you all the best. Thank you, Mr. President.
9	MR. PRESIDENT:
10	Next, we would like to hand over to counsels for Mr. Khieu
11	Samphan to put questions to the civil party if they wish to do
12	so.
13	[11.57.13]
14	MR. KONG SAM ONN:
15	Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Your Honours. On behalf
16	of Mr. Khieu Samphan, we do not have any questions to put to the
17	civil party. I thank you.
18	MR. PRESIDENT:
19	Thank you.
20	As indicated already, finally, as a civil party, Madam Lay Bony,
21	you have the right to express your suffering and the injuries you
22	have suffered, if you would wish to do so.
23	MS. LAY BONY:
24	I thank you, Mr. President and Your Honours. As a civil party, I

25 am pleased, and this is the best opportunity after 30 years I Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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have been living with all the suffering. And because of the
Court, I am here to express my sufferings -- my suffering.
After 1975, April 1975, I have been living in great misery and
grief because I had to leave my home, left behind my family
members and property, and I had to walk a long distance although
I had just delivered my baby. I had been saving this happiness,
but all was destroyed by the Khmer Rouge.

8 [11.59.08]

9 <It was a misery.> We had to <leave while we were sick with our 10 children and my husband. Finally, my children died after one 11 another. I was suffering as a result of this evacuation out of 12 Phnom Penh.> I have kept this suffering in my heart for a very 13 long period of time, and I would like to thank you, the Chamber, 14 very much for giving me this opportunity to speak it out. 15 <This evacuation was carried out in an extreme manner from Phnom 16 Penh to Khsach Kandal, from Khsach Kandal to Kompong Chhnang, and 17 from Kompong Chhnang to Pursat. At last, I was made to living in 18 Koh Chum cooperative in the worse conditions than animals'. I 19 even asked for animal feed to eat. Finally, I do not know how 20 Angkar judged my case that whole family was taken for detention. 21 It was a catastrophe in the prison. Not only I but also other 22 people with no mistake were taken for interrogation. They were 23 beaten and had their nails removed; they were submerged into the 24 water. They were hung by their necks. They had no mistakes but

25 were forced to tell the truth and give confessions of their Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	mistakes. How could they confess when they made no mistakes? If
2	they confessed they would be less harmed. If not, they would
3	receive harsher treatment. After they were interrogated at Thaol
4	prison, they would come back crawling.>
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б	interrogated and beaten and have nails pulled out. That was the
7	<pre>tragedy.&gt;</pre>
8	People were beaten, even at work, even when eating and sleeping.
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10	vegetables. They said we had no power to work if we ate them. In
11	fact, we did not eat enough so we pick up vegetables to mix with
12	my food in order to fill our stomach> the very meagre food, but
13	then, when they got diarrhoea of eating the leaves, they were
14	accused of doing - committing the mistake and they were all
15	beaten, and many were shackled. They were forced to work and they
16	would be tortured if they were seen stealing any food.
17	[12.01.51]
18	And later on, after 100,000 people were executed, then a lot of
19	us had to be sent to work in Boeng Kol, District 23, to do
20	farming, and we transplanted about 100 hectares of paddy fields.
21	We had to work until 12 p.m., and at 3 a.m. we were again asked
22	to get up to work. At that time, we had to use the empty sack to
23	cover our body to keep us from getting cold.

24 MR. PRESIDENT:

25 Civil Party, could you please be slower? Because if you speak Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	rather fast, we are afraid your message would not be properly
2	rendered into the other languages, for example the French and
3	English, because here, before us, we have our colleagues who are
4	speaking French and English. So, please, slow down and make sure
5	that you keep good pace when making your statement.
б	You may proceed. And also wait until you see the red light.
7	[12.03.44]
8	MS. LAY BONY:
9	I am I will do that. I was a bit too excited about this.
10	And I the situation was miserable, and the food ration was
11	very small. We had only a few ladle of paltry gruel and we were
12	very exhausted every day. We had to go to the field because we
13	were fear for our life. And when we went to the field, we had to
14	carry the seedlings along with us, we had to hold a big bunch of
15	seedlings to us. And if we dropped any seedling along the way,
16	they would beat us along the way, all the way to the rice paddy.
17	So we had to go down to the field on a daily basis and we had to
18	transplant rice, and we were given a certain quotas, certain
19	areas of land to transplant the seedlings. We have to meet the
20	quotas. Otherwise, we would be sanctioned, we would be punished.
21	So we had to comply with the direction. But the food ration was
22	minimal indeed. That was the life was like in that situation.
23	It was very, very miserable. And later on I and my team could
24	transplant 100 hectares of rice field.

25 When they frogmarched us from Tuk Thkoul (phonetic) Prison to Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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Boeng Kol Re education Centre, there were many members in our team disappeared. Then we noticed people who disappeared among our teams, we noticed that they must have been executed, and then we also noted that those who were given under the control of the Northwest Zone authority were also killed.

6 [12.05.38]

So, once we have transplanted 100 hectares of rice, then we hand
over to the cooperative, and after that they frogmarched us to
Boeng Kol Re education Camp.

10 When we lived over there, it was the most miserable place I had 11 ever endured in my life. It was a very terrible situation. Those 12 who committed a small, minor, negligible wrongdoing were shackled 13 and punished. And in terms of food ration, it was very minimal. 14 And if we made any -- any minor mistake, we would be beaten all 15 the time.

And those who were imprisoned in that dark prison, they did not have to be executed but they would die there because they had to live in a small and stuffy cell, under the zinc roof and in the middle of the rice field, so it was very hot. So those who were in prison in that dark prison, they -- their fate would be unfortunate. In other words, they would not be able to return. [12.07.01]

23 And when I was over there, I was starving. I ate everything,

24 including the snail; and snail I ate it raw, it was not cooked at

25 all. We were too starving at that time. We could eat anything. We Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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2 simply ate anything that could fill our stomach. 3 And every morning we were escorted, we were frogmarched to the 4 workplace, and then, during the lunchtime, we would be 5 frogmarched back to our dining halls, and then we only ate for a 6 short period of time; then we would be frogmarched again to 7 transplant. 8 And I was wondering to myself, why these people were so cruel? We 9 were made to work very hard and we were given only a short period 10 of time to sleep. Even if we had to go to work a bit early in the 11 morning, but we had to be awakened up at around 3 o'clock in the
4 workplace, and then, during the lunchtime, we would be 5 frogmarched back to our dining halls, and then we only ate for a 6 short period of time; then we would be frogmarched again to 7 transplant. 8 And I was wondering to myself, why these people were so cruel? We 9 were made to work very hard and we were given only a short period 10 of time to sleep. Even if we had to go to work a bit early in the
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11 morning, but we had to be awakened up at around 3 o'clock in the
12 morning and we had to sit there doing nothing. And why didn't
13 they allow us to have enough sleep?
14 [12.08.24]
15 And when my area when one of the cooperatives were flooded, we
16 were asked to build a dam in order to prevent the water from
17 flooding the rice paddy, and then they over there told us that
18 people over there, particularly the cooperative members, thought
19 that we were all thief, and the thieves were coming to their
20 cooperative, so we were very resented with their degrading
21 comments and treatment over there. So, we had to help them. And
22 after building the dam, we also went to other places to help,
23 particularly to help prevent the waters from coming in the rice
24 field. And in the cooperatives, there were cooperative members

25 and those who were working in the re education camp.

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2 For those who worked at the education camps, they had to work but 3 they could return to their place and they had something to eat, but for us, we had to work and we had to carry water and us. As 4 for cooperatives, particularly those who were in the 5 б cooperatives, they had some things to eat. For me and my teams, 7 who were the newcomers, we had to work all day long, and only 8 when we came to the dining hall we were given food. But at the 9 time many people were beaten as well.

10 And we lived in a big crowd and we were considered prisoners. And 11 when people put everything together in the hall, some items were 12 missing, and then we were beaten if we were making any noise or 13 we were discussing. So we were beaten every day and every time. 14 We -- one day, we were told to build the dam, and it was a very 15 hard work. We had to work under the rain and at night. And in 16 Tonle Sap areas, the -- we had to - we had to try to prevent the 17 water from coming into the rice fields; that was our 18 responsibility. So, we had to stay in water the whole day. We 19 were very cold -- it was very cold, and we were starving as well. 20 And at one time we prayed that the dam was broken. And one day 21 one of the dams were broken by the water current, and then many 22 people died.

23 [12.11.50]

24 We were -- but during that time the -- when the water was coming,

25 they had to try to dig up the potatoes. And we were very hungry Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 -- those who were coming to this place were very hungry. So, we
2 had to take this opportunity to find the potatoes, and then we
3 ate them raw. But those who were found picking the potatoes were
4 shackled and imprisoned.

5 And during the night time, at the sleeping place, we had to sleep 6 in the hall, and we sleep everywhere and then -- we could find. 7 At that time were -- it was the flooding season, and then there 8 was earthworm everywhere, and we had to sleep along with the 9 earthworms, and every morning we could see our feet was among the 10 earthworms over there.

So, we were like living in the hell. We do not understand why they treated us inhumanely, why they treat us in such a very degrading situation. I did not know. They were also human beings. Why did they have to do that to us?

15 [12.13.05]

And those -- the black clothed soldiers had to evacuate us from 16 17 one place to another, and we were wondering when we will 18 eventually settle down, because we were kept moving from one 19 place to another. And my relatives, my siblings, three of them 20 died. Only me survived this regime, so I did not dare resist 21 their orders. I had to move along with others whenever we were 22 made to move from one place to another. And then, eventually, I 23 came to Trapeang Chong commune. I came to that place.

24 Finally, I would like to -- actually, it's my suggestion, after I

25 have described the suffering I have endured. We were treated like Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 animals, we were treated very inhumanely, so I would like to have 2 a few suggestions to the Court. I made it clear in my Victim 3 Information Form. I would like to ask the Court to search for the truth. I would like know who were behind these heinous crimes. I 4 5 would like to know whether or not there were foreigners who were 6 behind these heinous crimes, because I do not understand why a 7 human being would do these kinds of inhumane acts. So I hope that the Court will be able to find justice for us. 8

9 [12.14.52]

10 I know that the Court did not conduct any investigation into the Kouch Thkoul (phonetic) Prison, but I think there are many other 11 12 prisons in the country that the Court may also consider. So I 13 would like to urge that the Court consider investigating and 14 finding the truth, and I would also like the Court to recognize 15 the day or week to pronounce the remembrance for those who died 16 in Kouch Thkoul (phonetic) Prison so that those who died during 17 the regime would feel a peace and they would rest in peace after 18 that.

- 19 Thank you, Your Honour.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Thank you, Madam Civil Party.

22 You already expressed your suffering, and your testimony now

23 comes to a conclusion. You are now excused.

24 [12.15.52]

25 Court officer is now instructed to assist her, along with the Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 WESU unit, to make sure that Madam Civil Party is home safe and
- 2 sound.
- 3 Madam Lay Bony, you many leave now, please.
- 4 (Civil Party exits courtroom)
- 5 And at the same time the Chamber wishes to inform the parties to6 the proceedings that it is now appropriate time for lunch
- 7 adjournment. The Chamber will adjourn, and the next session will
- 8 commence by 1.30 p.m., where the Chamber will be hearing the
- 9 testimony of TCW 362, questions to be put first by the
- 10 prosecutors.
- 11 And at the same time the Chamber will also give the opportunity 12 to counsels or parties to the proceeding who would like to make 13 any observation concerning the statement made by Madam Lay Bony a 14 moment ago.
- 15 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may now proceed.
- 16 MR. PAUW:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. President. Our client, Mr. Nuon Chea, would like
- 18 to follow this afternoon's proceedings from his holding cell. He
- 19 is suffering from a headache, back pain, and a lack of
- 20 concentration.
- 21 And we have submitted the waiver.
- 22 [12.17.37]
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:

24 The Chamber notes the request by Mr. Nuon Chea through his

25 counsel, in which he has requested that he be allowed to observe Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	the proceedings from his holding cell due to his health concern.
2	He indicated that he cannot remain seated for a long period of
3	time and that he be allowed to retire to his holding cell.
4	Counsel already made it clear that his waiver that given
5	thumbprint and signed by Mr. Nuon Chea will be submitted to the
6	Chamber in due course.
7	In light of that, the Chamber, therefore, grants such a request
8	and that Mr. Nuon Chea is now allowed to observe the
9	proceedings from his holding cell. With that, Mr. Nuon Chea has
10	expressly waived his right to participate directly in the
11	courtroom.
12	And the Chamber would like to ask that counsels for Mr. Nuon Chea
13	produce this waiver given thumbprint and signed by Mr. Nuon Chea
14	in due course.
15	[12.18.41]
16	AV Unit is now instructed to ensure that the AV is well-connected
17	to Mr. Nuon Chea's holding cell so that he can observe the
18	proceedings from there for the remainder of the day.
19	Security personnel are now instructed to bring Mr. Nuon Chea and
20	Khieu Samphan to their respective holding cell and have Mr. Khieu
21	Samphan returned to the courtroom by 1.30 p.m.
22	The Court is adjourned.
23	THE GREFFIER:
24	(No interpretation)

25 (Court recesses from 1219H to 1331H)

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1	MR. PRESIDENT:
2	Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
3	During this afternoon's session, the Chamber will be hearing the
4	testimony of TCW-362, questions to be put by the prosecutors.
5	Before calling this witness, we would like to give the floor to
б	parties who would like to make any observation concerning the
7	expression of the suffering made by the civil party before lunch.
8	You may proceed.
9	[13.33.19]
10	MR. ANG UDOM:
11	Thank you, Mr. President and Your Honours. I do not have any
12	specific observation concerning any particular civil party, but I
13	have a relevant question to be put before the Chamber for
14	consideration.
15	During the time when the civil party expresses her suffering, she
16	described about the facts that fall outside the scope of Case
17	File 002/01.
18	My question is whether when the civil party is allowed to
19	express her suffering outside the scope of the case file, whether
20	such statement can also be used as evidence within the case file
21	or can this statement be used for future evidence when the
22	parties were not given opportunity to challenge such statement?
23	(Judges deliberate)
24	[13 34 54]

24 [13.34.54]

#### 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- Does any other party to the proceeding wish to also make any
   observation concerning the position by counsel for Ieng Sary?
- 3 Counsel for the civil parties, you may now proceed.
- 4 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:

5 Yes, Mr. President. Simply, it seems that we spoke about this 6 yesterday, and the Chamber gave us the possibility -- or gave the 7 civil party the possibility to express herself regarding Case 8 002. And the Chamber is expecting a document from us, and we are 9 drafting it right now.

And it seems to me that all parties took advantage of the opportunity to question this civil party, in particular Nuon Chea's defence, that questioned the civil party on the entire scope of Case 002. So, all of the parties have been able to challenge the civil party and check the credibility of what she was saying, so I don't think that there are any problems here. (Judges deliberate)

17 [13.37.14]

18 MR. PRESIDENT:

19 Thank you, Counsel, for this.

We have already discussed about this when the same issue was raised concerning the facts when civil party was examined and also the statement civil party is supposed to make concerning his or her suffering. However, to be more precise on this, the Chamber will rule in due course, upon receiving the written

25 submission made by the Lead Co-Lawyers for the civil party. Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1 Counsel had already been instructed to submit such specific 2 submission so that the Chamber has ground for our ruling. We 3 already discussed this. And regarding the weight of evidence, the Chamber wishes to also 4 5 inform the parties that during the examination, we also make it clear that the facts are relevant to Case File 002/01. So, the б 7 Chamber is considering, based on its discretion, the facts at issue. And the Chamber is convinced that it has the ability to 8 9 look into the matters relevant to Case File 002/01 for the time 10 being, and we will also consider facts relevant to Case File 11 002/02 at a later date. We also see that this is the way we are 12 proceeding. 13 Next, court officer is now instructed to call witness TCW-362. 14 (Witness enters courtroom) 15 [13.40.57]The Chamber wishes to inform the public and the parties to the 16 17 proceedings that the Chamber is seized of the waiver by Mr. Ieng 18 Sary, the waiver in which Mr. Ieng Sary has waived his right to 19 the testimonies of 10 witnesses including the civil parties; and 20 here, TCW-362 is one among the witnesses. 21 And we also received medical report from the hospital indicating 22 that Mr. Ieng Sary is still being admitted to the hospital at the 23 Khmer-Soviet Friendship Hospital and he has requested that he has 24 waived his right to the testimony of certain civil parties and

<sup>25</sup> witnesses due to his health concern. At the same time, Mr. Ieng Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 Sary is mentally fit, and that -- we can proceed hearing the
- 2 testimony of TCW-360 in the absence of Mr. Ieng Sary.
- 3 [13.42.19]
- 4 And at the same time, the Chamber wishes to also inform the
- 5 parties to the proceeding that the witness is assisted by a duty
- 6 counsel, Mr. Lim Bunheng.
- 7 QUESTIONING BY THE PRESIDENT:
- 8 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Witness. What is your name please?
- 9 MR. KUNG KIM:
- 10 A. Good afternoon, Mr. President. I am Kung Kim. I live in Prey
- 11 Tang Thnong, Chieb sub-district, Tuek Phos, Kampong Chhnang. I
- 12 have four children.
- 13 Q. Apart from your full name, Kung Kim, do you have any alias?
- 14 A. People also call me Keu.
- 15 [13.43.31]
- 16 Q. What do you do for a living?
- 17 A. I am the commune councillor.
- 18 Q. What is your father's name?
- 19 A. He is Chou Long, deceased.
- 20 Q. What is your mother's name?
- 21 A. She is Leng Kea, deceased.
- 22 Q. What is your wife's name?
- 23 A. She is Teng Mut.
- 24 Q. Thank you, Mr. Kung Kim.

25 According to the report by the greffier of the Trial Chamber, you Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	have stated that you have no relation or connection to any of the
2	parties to the proceedings, including the accused persons, Mr.
3	Nuon Chea, Ieng Sary, and Khieu Samphan; is that statement
4	correct?
5	A. Yes, it is, Your Honour.
6	Q. Mr. Kung Kim, have you taken an oath before you take the
7	stand?
8	A. I have already taken the oath.
9	[13.45.15]
10	Q. When did you take the oath, and where?
11	A. I took the oath just a moment before I appeared before the
12	Chamber.
13	Q. Was that conducted before the Iron Genie to the east of this
14	building, in this vicinity?
15	A. Yes, it is, Your Honour.
16	Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness.
17	The Chamber would like to inform you of your rights before the
18	Chamber.
19	Mr. Kung Kim, as a witness, you can refuse to respond to any
20	questions that are self-incriminating. You enjoy the right
21	against self-incrimination of witnesses. And as a witness, you
22	shall give testimonies before this Chamber and you shall respond
23	to all questions put by the parties and the Judges of the Bench,
24	and at the same time you may refuse to respond to any questions
25	if the questions are relevant to any responses that are against

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1	your or are self-incriminating. And at the same time you are
2	to respond to the questions based on your experiences, what you
3	saw and come across during the time the events.
4	[13.47.17]
5	Mr. Kung Kim, have you ever given any interviews or being
6	interviewed by any Co-Investigating Judges for the last few
7	years?
8	A. I gave an interview to an Investigating to Co-Investigating
9	Judges at my home.
10	Q. Do you remember when was it?
11	A. I'm afraid I do not remember the exact date of the interview.
12	Q. Before you appear before the Chamber, Mr. Kung Kim, have you
13	reviewed the written record of your interview that you gave
14	before the Investigating Judge to refresh your memory?
15	A. Yes, Your Honour, I have read the written record, the
16	questions and answers that conducted by the Co-Investigating
17	Judges and I, myself.
18	[13.48.40]
19	Q. According to your best recollection, is the account in the
20	written record consistent to the interview you gave to the
21	investigators previously?
22	A. Yes, it is. The account is consistent to the one I gave before
23	the Co-Investigating Judge.
24	MR DRESIDENT:

24 MR. PRESIDENT:

### 25 Thank you, Mr. Witness.

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2 that you were allotted -- you will be allotted the time and 3 opportunity to put questions to this witness before the other 4 parties. 5 You may now proceed. MR. VENG HUOT: б 7 Good afternoon, Mr. President. Good afternoon, Your Honours, and 8 good afternoon, Mr. Witness and parties to the proceeding who are 9 in the courtroom today. I am from the Office of the 10 Co-Prosecutors. I have a few questions to be put to you. 11 [13.50.34]12 And before I proceed with the questions, with Mr. President's 13 leave, I would like to hand over the record of the interview he 14 gave to the Investigating Judge before the - before, and the 15 reason I would like to hand this over to the witness because I 16 would like to make sure that he has access to the document and to 17 ease our time in questioning him. 18 MR. PRESIDENT: 19 Could you please identify the document first? 20 MR. VENG HUOT: Mr. President, this document is D166/76. 21 22 MR. PRESIDENT: 23 Can you repeat that? Is it 26 or 24? 24 MR. VENG HUOT:

Now, to the Prosecution, the Chamber would like to inform you

25 It is D166/76. My sincere apologies, Mr. President and Your Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 Honours; indeed, it is D166/74.
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 You may proceed.
- 4 [13.52.11]
- 5 And court officer is now instructed to hand over the document to
- 6 the witness.
- 7 QUESTIONING BY MR. VENG HUOT:
- 8 Q. Mr. Kung Kim, perhaps it is not yet an appropriate time for
- 9 you to look at the record of the interview as yet. I would like
- 10 to proceed with a few questions first before we refer to the
- 11 document.
- 12 Can you please tell the Chamber when you joined the army?
- 13 MR. KUNG KIM:
- 14 A. I joined the army in 1974.
- 15 Q. How old were you at that time?
- 16 A. I was 15 years old.
- 17 [13.53.26]

Q. Can you please describe the military structure concerning the North Zone Division 310 and your roles before 1975; indeed, your roles before April 1975?

A. I joined the army in 1974, as stated, in Kampong Thom. Later on I was transferred to the North Zone Military Complex, and by early 1975 I was again transferred to Preaek Kdam location to fight a battle that leads to Phnom Penh.

25 Q. Prior to the 17th of April 1975, had you attended any military Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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meetings when you were in the army?	
A. I attended meetings, but at the level of the battalion and the	e
company and the sub-group. I never attended any meetings at the	
regiment level. I was rather young at that time. I was very	
young.	
Q. Do you recall who led such meetings?	
A. During the meetings, Pon, who was the head of the platoon,	
would be leading the meeting, and another group leader by the	
name of Lam (phonetic) also chaired the meetings.	
[13.56.04]	
Q. Do you still remember the contents or the agenda of the	
meeting?	
A. During the meetings, we would be lectured on the plan to	
attack Phnom Penh. It was the military tactics, how to be	
prepared to attack the city.	
Q. What kind of instructions or orders were you given at that	
time?	
A. I was receiving order to join the forces to attack Phnom Penh	
through Preaek Pnov battlefields, Phum Krong An (phonetic), and	
other battlefields leading to Phnom Penh.	
Q. Can you please look at the copy I just handed over to you and	
look at question and answer number 3?	
[13.57.54]	
I would like to read the ERN numbers of the document in Khmer	

25 which is 00270163, English ERN 00278681, French ERN 00486096.

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1	I would like to read from the statement as follows: "At the same
2	time, I received orders to shoot and kill right away any soldiers
3	or anyone dressed as a soldier."
4	My question to you is: From whom did you receive this order?
5	A. I received from the head of the platoon, Comrade Pon, and the
б	order was rendered from the company. And as a young soldier, I
7	did not attend such meeting where the order was rendered, but as
8	a person in the platoon, I had to receive order from Upper
9	Echelon.
10	Q. How was the order rendered? Is it was it the way the
11	instructions could have been delivered? And were the orders or
12	instructions rendered through meetings or through other means?
13	A. Orders normally rendered through meetings and also
14	instructions could be given at the battlefields. And we were
15	instructed that if we saw any civilian facing us in the opposite
16	direction then we had to shoot them.
17	[14.00.28]
18	Q. You said just now, as long as you met the people who blocked
19	your soldiers or if you found any soldiers blocking you or in
20	front of your soldiers, you would shoot them; is that what you
21	are telling the Court?
22	A. Yes. We were ordered to shoot, but as I said, we were the
23	Khmer Rouge soldiers and the soldiers that we were supposed to
24	attack were the Lon Nol soldiers, and they were considered

25 external soldiers.

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1	Q. You then received this order, but did you carry out this order
2	against the civilian, as well, or you only shoot the Lon Nol
3	soldier? Did you in other words, did you comply with the
4	order?
5	A. Upon receiving the order, I was in both the rear and the
б	battlefields. I never met civilians. I only encounter soldiers.
7	We clashed with the soldiers. We never saw civilians in the
8	battlefields.
9	[14.02.18]
10	Q. I would like to expand a bit further on this point. Your squad
11	killed civilians as well as Lon Nol soldiers. I would like to
12	know before people or civilians or Lon Nol soldiers were killed
13	or shot, did they, for example, raise any white flag to surrender
14	or retreat? If you look at question and answer 17 on no,
15	rather, question 7 question-answer
16	MR. PRESIDENT:
17	Witness, please hold on. The national defence counsel for Mr.
18	Khieu Samphan is on his feet.
19	You may proceed, Counsel.
20	MR. KONG SAM ONN:
21	Thank you, Mr. President. Just now, the national prosecutor said
22	that it was the statement of the witness before us that his
23	soldiers in his squad would kill civilians even if they raise a
24	white flag to retreat, but actually, it was not the statement

25 from the mouth of the witness. The witness did not state that, Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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2 MR. VENG HUOT:

3 In question -- in the question I mentioned, the investigator of the OCIJ asked the witness that when they were advancing on the 4 offensive to Phnom Penh, did his squad kill or shoot any 5 civilian. And at that time, he mentioned in his statement that б 7 during the shooting, it was usual that certain people were 8 killed, but those were not the target of the soldiers. So I would 9 like to ask him to explain when he was shooting the soldier and 10 the civilians whether or not those people had raised white flag 11 or so and then you still killed them.

- 12 [14.04.32]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:

14 Prosecutor, can you please base your question on a very precise 15 portion of the witness statement? If I look at this witness 16 statement, it does not come in the order you indicated to the 17 witness, so it is advisable that you refer to a specific question 18 in the written record of interview. Particularly, you should make 19 mention the relevant ERN number for other parties to refer to the 20 relevant portion of this. That's why there was a question raised 21 by the defence counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan.

22 MR. VENG HUOT:

23 Thank you, Mr. President.

24 If you look at question 7, I put the order in this written record

25 of interview; in Khmer, 00220164; French, 00486097; English,

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- 1 00278682.
- 2 [14.06.05]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:

Could you please rephrase your last question? And the question 4 should be based on a -- the substance of the written record of 5 б interview of this witness. You have to be precise on the basis on 7 which you ask the question because it seems that you base on 8 something very new and then you said that there were question 7 9 -- you were referring to question 7 or so, but other parties 10 might not be aware of the order of questions in the written record of interview. 11

- 12 BY MR. VENG HUOT:
- 13 Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to put my question again.
  14 [14.06.48]

Q. You said in your statement that when I fired I must have hit and killed some, but I never first capture or shot and kill any of them. So my question to him whether or not there were exchanges of fire with those people or soldiers or did you shoot them even if they had already wave or raise their white flag.

- 20 [14.07.17]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:

I note the defence counsel -- international defence counsel forMr. Nuon Chea is on his feet. You may proceed, Counsel.

24 MR. PAUW:

25 Thank you, Mr. President. I think it would be clear if -- clearer Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	if the Cambodian prosecutor would also read out the question that
2	is asked just before the answer that he just read out.
3	The question that was asked was: "During the attack on Phnom
4	Penh, did you or your squad shoot any soldiers or civilians?"
5	And then the answer is: "When I fired, I must have hit and killed
б	some, but I never first captured and then shot and killed any of
7	them."
8	[14.08.00]
9	I think that makes clearer more clear to the witness that the
10	question related to shooting either soldiers or civilians and the
11	witness has just stated that he never saw any civilians while in
12	combat, so I think it will be fair to the witness to read out the
13	entirety of the question and answer segment.
14	MR. PRESIDENT:
15	Thank you.
16	Prosecutor, please be reminded that you have limited time to put
17	the question to the witness and your first and the question
18	is not clear and there has been comments by other parties, so
19	please try to make sure that your question is precise and clear.
20	[14.08.56]
21	And, in addition, the questions that you phrase, just now, was a
22	bit different from the statement that he provided to the
23	investigator of the OCIJ and you asked the question a literal
24	question that whether this witness had shoot and killed any
25	civilians or soldiers. This question is incriminatory in nature

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1	to this witness.
2	BY MR. VENG HUOT:
3	Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to now rephrase the
4	question.
5	Q. In the same question, you told the investigators that, "When I
б	fired, I must have hit and killed some, but I never first
7	that's what you said in that".
8	And I would my question that I would like to expand on this:
9	When you shoot or hit those soldiers, did you shoot at them when
10	they actually fire back at you or when they had already wave or
11	raise the white flag? That's my question I would like to ask for
12	you to enlighten the Court.
13	Mr. Witness, did you understand my question? Otherwise, I will
14	try to simplify it.
15	[14.10.51]
16	MR. KUNG KIM:
17	A. On this particular point, as per the order I received, we had
18	to attack them, but the killing and shooting against the soldiers
19	and civilian that was the time when we were advancing on the
20	offensive to Phnom Penh and at that time, we hit and kill,
21	including civilians. But in Phnom Penh, there were fires
22	everywhere, so we could not be a hundred per cent sure that those
23	people had raised their white flag because there were people who
24	surrendered and retreated, but there were others who were among

<sup>25</sup> them as well. So we were not sure, so we had to shoot those who Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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- 1 were there.
- 2 [14.11.46]

Q. So, in document -- in Khmer, 00270125; English, 00278683; in French, 00886097; in the question -- question order 11, in the witness written record of interview -- and I would like to read out this portion.

7 Answer: "I saw bodies floating in the water. I saw a few bodies 8 of Lon Nol soldiers and continuously saw many bodies of people 9 who had died along the streets and some were blood-stained and 10 some were in the roads and had been run over by our vehicles from 11 Kilometre 6 all the way to Chrouy Changva Bridge."

12 On this particular statement, you saw those dead bodies. Why 13 didn't you carry those dead bodies? Why did you drive over those 14 dead bodies; was it because there were too many bodies scattered 15 everywhere along the street and you could not avoid running over 16 them?

17 A. On the day when we attacked Phnom Penh, we were on the trucks, 18 and at that time the trucks did not transport the ordinary 19 civilians; we transported soldiers. So the soldiers had to be 20 reinforced into the city in order to capture the city. So we were 21 -- we had our mission so we had to drive over there. And at that 22 time our soldiers were lost in terms of geographical location of 23 the city. What we had to do at that time, we had to come and 24 assemble at the specific target that we were supposed to station

25 and that was it.

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2 Q. I just wanted to know, why didn't you just drive away from the 3 dead bodies? Why did you have to run over those dead bodies? 4 A. As I said in my statement, at that time the situation was 5 chaotic and everything was in a rush and the dead bodies were scattered everywhere from one place to another. I will not -- I б 7 was not the driver. I was on the truck. There was another driver. We tried to avoid running over those dead bodies, but we could 8 9 not always avoid running over those dead bodies because it was 10 everywhere.

- 11 Q. Thank you. I move on, then.
- 12 [14.15.08]

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so, who were they?

13 When you were leading your squad and your forces to Phnom Penh 14 and then you finally captured Phnom Penh, were you promoted to a 15 higher position in command?

16 A. When we were fighting to capture Phnom Penh, I was not holding 17 any position. I was an ordinary rank and file combatant.

18 Q. I would like ERN 00270164 in Khmer; and ERN in French,

19 00278682; and French (sic), 00486097. You said that when you 20 first got to the city, you went to drive the people out of their 21 houses and you went to search in every house in the city and then 22 drive people away. I would like to know, when you went to carry 23 out this mission, did you receive any order from anyone and if

25 A. When I got to Phnom Penh, we had to station at a particular Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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target we were assigned to. So at first, the forces were not mobilized to search the house. We had to control our own respective force. And in Phnom Penh, at that time, the situation was chaotic. There were still soldiers of Lon Nol's and Khmer Rouge soldiers. So first of all, when we got into Phnom Penh, we had to control our own force and after that, there were instructions from the platoon.

8 [14.17.15]

The platoon received order from the company and battalions, also, 9 10 and there was another special force which were tasked to evict 11 people out of the city. However, there were people who remained 12 in the houses; particularly, those who live in the upper storey 13 building. So those who were -- those soldiers who were stationed in Phnom Penh had to conduct the final search in the house in 14 15 order to ensure that everyone was evicted and left their houses. 16 Q. Thank you. So did you receive any particular order against 17 those who resisted leaving their home? What was the instruction 18 from the superior?

19 A. There was a plan to evacuate people out of Phnom Penh. The 20 large majority of people left the city. There were only a small 21 minority of people left in the houses and soldiers were task to 22 conduct the final search. And when we conducted the search, we 23 encountered soldiers and we exchanged fires and we killed some of 24 them.

#### 25 [14.18.40]

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1	But as for civilians, we had to bring them down and then we had
2	to order them to leave. And these were done by the battalions or
3	companies or platoons and I was under the instruction of Oeun,
4	who was the commander attached to my squad and section.
5	Q. In the same document, in English 00270165 that is in Khmer;
6	in English, 00278683; and French, 00486097; for your convenience,
7	in your document it is question order 12.
8	The question by the investigator was: "Were there really orders
9	from the people to leave, and if they did not leave they were to
10	be killed?"
11	And then you responded: "Yes, those were the orders; they came
12	through Ta Yim, as always."
13	Do you stand by this statement?
14	[14.20.10]
15	A. Yim Yim, he was the commander of a battalion. When the
16	first wave of people in the city were evacuated, then there was
17	another order to search every house to find those who resist
18	leaving and those people were accused of being enemies. So there
19	were orders all the way through the regiments, battalions, as
20	well as company and platoons to ensure that there were no any
21	other people other than our soldiers to remain in the city.
22	As for others who were not our soldiers were considered enemy,
23	but in reality, I, myself, had never captured any one of them and
24	I had never killed anyone of them, but we did receive orders.
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25 Q. Because -- due to the urgency of the evacuation of people out Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	of Phnom Penh, what did you tell the civilian when you order the
2	civilian to leave their homes? What the real order you handed
3	down to them?
4	A. Upon receiving the orders and plan of evacuation, actually, my
5	squad was not tasked to evacuate the people. Actually, there were
6	special forces tasked to evacuate the people out of the city. As
7	for my forces, were to be stationed in one specific target in
8	order to defend our target. So, once the people were evacuated,
9	there were minority people who stay behind, so we had to ensure
10	that those people left the city as well.
11	Q. Thank you.
12	[14.22.24]
13	So I move on to my next question.
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#### 25 [14.23.34]

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1	Q. I have only one final question for you: In relation to the
2	evacuation of people, did you ever see the children group who
3	were waiting for their parents, for their fathers or mother, and
4	they did not want to leave because they insisted that they had to
5	wait for their parents? Did you ever encounter this situation?
6	A. When the plan to evacuate people were executed, the city
7	streets were crowded with people marching out of the city and the
8	situation were chaotic. We never saw any separate groups of
9	children loitering on the street or so.
10	[14.24.40]
11	MR. VENG HUOT:
12	Thank you, Mr. Kung Kim, for responding to my questions. I thank
13	you very much for your time.
14	And, Mr. President, that is all for me, and I would like to hand
15	over to my international colleague to continue our lines of
16	questioning. Thank you, Mr. President.
17	(Short pause)
18	QUESTIONING BY MR. ABDULHAK:
19	Good afternoon, Your Honours, and good afternoon, Counsel, and
20	good afternoon, Mr. Kung Kim. Thank you for coming to assist the
21	Court in searching for the truth and answering my colleague's
22	questions. I'm going to follow up with some of these areas that
23	you've already discussed.
24	Q. And if I can start with the order or the orders that were

25 given to members of your division -- and you've already told my Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	colleague about some of these orders what I'd like to look at
2	is how the orders were communicated.
3	In your statement, D166/74, there is a relevant passage and this
4	is at Khmer ERN 00270164; French, 00486096; and English,
5	00278682; and this is the passage question: "Did your superiors
б	tell you how to handle prisoners and the people?"
7	Answer: "At the time, I received orders not to take prisoners;
8	anyone in the vicinity of the city's defensive belt was to be
9	shot right away; no matter where the soldiers were, they were to
10	be shot at once. These orders came from Division Chairman Oeun,
11	through Regimental Chairman Song and Battalion Chairman Yim, all
12	the way down to me."
13	[14.27.36]
14	My first question is you mentioned earlier I think you
15	mentioned the individual Oeun. Can you confirm for us that it was
16	the divisional commander who issued the order and that the order
17	came down to you to be implemented to not take any prisoners?
18	MR. KUNG KIM:
19	A. Upon receiving the orders I did not receive orders from the
20	Upper Echelon. I knew that Oeun was the commander and Song was
21	from the regiment when Yim Yim from the battalion. And these
22	orders were rendered from them and I never attended any meetings
23	with the regiment or battalion. I only attended meetings at the
24	platoon.

#### 25 [14.29.09]

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1	Q. Thank you. Because in your statement you indicate that the
2	order had come from the division chairman, Oeun, could you tell
3	us how you knew that orders would be coming from a division
4	chairman?
5	A. I learned this through the plan of the company who said that
б	the orders were rendered from division and that the lower level
7	of the military structure had to implement such order.
8	Q. Thank you. And was that common as part of your military
9	duties? Did you normally receive orders coming from the division
10	level? Was that something that was done in the ordinary course of
11	battles or was it was it only on this occasion?
12	A. During the fighting, we never met in person with the head of
13	divisions or regiments or the battalion. We only met with or
14	receive orders from the head of the platoon or the company. We
15	never faced met them face to face and we had our different
16	groups where orders could be rendered through them to us.
17	[14.31.15]
18	Q. Thank you. Am I correct in understanding and please correct
19	me if I'm wrong that all military operations in your division
20	were commanded by Oeun by Ta Oeun?
21	A. Yes, it is correct.
22	Q. Thank you. And do you know who Ta Oeun reported to?
23	A. As already indicated, I know no one from battalion level up to
24	the division because I am familiar with only the persons who were
25	in charge of the platoon or company, no more than that.

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1 Q. Thank you. We might come back to Oeun in a little bit -- a 2 little bit later. 3 [14.32.48]If we look at your statement again -- and this is at Khmer 4 5 00270164, towards the bottom of that page; in French, 00486097; and in English, 00278682 -- you described there that your squad б 7 was based in and controlled the north section of the city. I'm 8 interested in the next passage -- quote: 9 "We had to conduct searches and drive the people away, and there 10 were no rules at all against shooting the people. I never saw 11 anyone who had shot [them] be punished for having done so. Some 12 had morals and did not fire; those who had no morals did fire." 13 Can you tell us how it was that you knew that some of the soldiers were firing at the people in the city? 14 15 A. At different target location, there was no rule or regulation 16 on not shooting people rendered to us. And during operations, 17 sometimes we encountered with the remaining soldiers, the 18 soldiers who could exchange fire with us, and the casualties were 19 not avoided, and sometimes the fires were exchanged when the 20 people were caught across the -- in between and that also led to some civilian casualties. 21 22 [14.35.12]23 Q. Moving on with that -- in that same statement, the next 24 passage, so immediately below the section we just read, you say 25 the following:

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1	"As for driving the people out, that was difficult because some
2	remaining Lon Nol soldiers were throwing grenades from up above
3	and killing Khmer Rouge soldiers, and some of the people up above
4	refused to leave. Therefore, we received orders to cut-off the
5	water and electricity for a half-month; then we captured the
6	people who came down and sent them to our superiors."
7	Can I ask you, how long after the 17th of April was it that you
8	were ordered to cut off water supply in order to drive the
9	remaining people out?
10	A. After Phnom Penh liberation and after noting that it is not
11	easy to evacuate the remaining people who living up above who
12	still could cook their rice because there was still running water
13	available to them, so upon orders, it was the plan by the
14	division to our platoon to cut off water supply so that people
15	could no longer access to such water supply. And soldiers would
16	be able to use the water that could have been stored in a
17	reservoir or tanks, but there was no longer running water, but I
18	that was the order.
19	[14.37.30]
20	Q. Thank you.
21	In order to explore some of these areas further, I want to ask
22	you about another interview that we have a record of. Do you
23	recall being interviewed by people from the Documentation Center

24 of Cambodia in July of 2002?

25 A. Yes, I do.

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1	MR. ABDULHAK:
2	Your Honours, we have on the case file a transcription of this
3	interview. It is document 19.96. It runs into well over 50 pages
4	in Khmer. With your leave, I would hand it to the witness and ask
5	him some more questions.
6	MR. PRESIDENT:
7	You may proceed.
8	[14.38.43]
9	Court officer is now instructed to bring the document from the
10	prosecutor to the witness for examination.
11	BY MR. ABDULHAK:
12	Thank you, Your Honours.
13	Q. Mr. Kung Kim, I'm not sure whether you have seen this document
14	before. It appears to be a transcription of a of a taped
15	interview. Can I ask you first if you have seen it before?
16	MR. KUNG KIM:
17	A. The document I'm holding now, I have never seen it.
18	[14.39.43]
19	MR. PRESIDENT:
20	Court officer is now instructed to retrieve the document from the
21	witness.
22	BY MR. ABDULHAK:
23	Q. Just to confirm, Mr. Kung Kim, you've just told us that you do
24	recall this particular interview and it does look like a

25 transcription that might have been made following the interview, Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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2	this document, you discussed the same topics that we're
3	discussing today and I want to ask you a few questions to see if
4	we can elaborate in a bit more detail.
5	[14.40.42]
б	And this is a section that deals with the problem of Khmer Rouge
7	rather, Khmer Republic soldiers who were encountered. And you
8	you according to this transcript, you said the following:
9	"The soldiers of my unit"
10	And I will give the ERNs first, I apologize. The Khmer ERN is
11	00054834; French, 00403350; and English, 00633874. And this is
12	the section:
13	"The soldiers of my unit just arrived from the forests were
14	wearing the uniform made from polyester material. Our uniform was
15	thin and in green colour. Our cap was sewed with different kind
16	of thread. Some of our soldiers who had arrived in town earlier
17	became overexcited. When they found the Lon Nol soldiers'
18	uniforms were still new, they put them on. Then, when the next
19	wave of troops arrived, they misidentified them, so they shot at
20	each other, killing many of our own troops during that
21	confusion."
22	[14.42.25]
23	And let me ask you about that first. Do you recall that situation
24	of some of your soldiers or some of the Khmer Rouge soldiers
25	putting on uniforms of Lon Nol troops and being shot following

so I'm not surprised that you haven't necessarily seen it. In

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the fall of Phnom Penh? 1 2 A. When we were entering Phnom Penh, we noted the chaotic 3 situation. The people also were confused and the soldiers were, at time -- at the same time, confused. First, people were 4 5 scattered. Our forces was not properly managed, and the soldiers who were ill-disciplined, when they saw the uniforms -- the б 7 military uniform, took them on. And at that time, people were 8 misidentified and fire were exchanged. And some soldiers who were 9 from the jungle were too overjoyed with the victory; when they 10 came to Phnom Penh, they drove the car so fast that they crashed and killed themselves, as well. 11 12 [14.44.05]13 MR. PRESIDENT: 14 Thank you, Counsel. Thank you, the parties. 15 We now should adjourn briefly, and the Court will adjourn for 20 16 minutes. 17 Court officer is instructed to assist the witness during the 18 adjournment. 19 And the Court will adjourn now and resume by 3 o'clock. 20 (Court recesses from 1444H to 1503H) 21 MR. PRESIDENT: 22 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session. 23 And we would like to now hand over to the prosecutor to continue 24 putting questions to the witness.

25 MR. ABDULHAK:

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1 Thank you, Mr. President. 2 And if I can just seek some directions from the Chamber about the 3 issue of time -- we started a little bit late with this witness, about 1.49 this afternoon. We were -- we have been allocated half 4 5 a day. I do note that -- at least our understanding is that the б Chamber intends to sit tomorrow as well, and I want to enquire as 7 to whether or not we and the civil parties may be able to 8 continue questioning the witness in the morning or if you expect 9 us to finish earlier. 10 (Judges deliberate) 11 [15.05.48]12 MR. PRESIDENT: 13 May we know how much time the Lead Co-Lawyers would like to have 14 for putting questions to this witness, please? 15 MR. PICH ANG: 16 Mr. President, civil parties would like one hour for putting 17 questions to this witness. 18 MR. PRESIDENT: 19 Co-Prosecutor, you may proceed. 20 And your request is granted. For -- you should finish putting 21 questions, and for the whole afternoon and tomorrow's session, 22 the Chamber will give one hour for the civil parties. 23 BY MR. ABDULHAK: 24 Thank you, Mr. President. I'm very grateful for that

25 accommodation.

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1	[15.06.56]
2	Q. Mr. Kung Kim, you've heard the President; we have one more
3	hour, so we're going to try and cover as many areas as possible.
4	Before the break, we discussed the issue of how civilians were
5	forced to leave their houses and how water was cut. In that same
6	interview with DC-Cam, there is a there is a segment which
7	relates to those events. This is at Khmer ERN 0054836; French ERN
8	00403351; and English, 00633875. And I will read just a couple of
9	relevant portions.
10	"Did you or someone else make the report about the incidents to
11	the upper echelon?"
12	Answer: "Yes, I reported, and so did the others, but we discussed
13	with each other within the group before making the reports."
14	And then, further down, there's a question: "What level did you
15	report to?"
16	And the answer you gave was: "The battalion level, which was
17	directly above us."
18	Is that is that correct, Mr. Kung Kim, that you were
19	submitting reports about the progress of evacuation to the
20	battalion?
21	[15.08.55]
22	MR. PRESIDENT:
23	Witness, could you please hold on?
24	Counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary, you may proceed.

25 MR. ANG UDOM:

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1 Thank you, Mr. President. I'm not really on -- am on my feet to 2 take issue with this, but the President already ordered that the 3 document be withdrawn from the witness. However, the document is 4 still put up on the screen. Can it -- can it also be requested to be removed? 5 б MR. ABDULHAK: 7 Mr. President, I don't believe the document is being shown to the witness. We're not asking for it to be shown. If it is 8 9 inadvertently being put up, we will -- we will immediately remove 10 it. I can simply read the excerpts. 11 [15.09.48]12 MR. PRESIDENT: 13 Indeed, it shall be removed. 14 BY MR. ABDULHAK: 15 Thank you, Mr. President. 16 Q. So, just returning, Mr. Kung Kim, to that issue of reports, is 17 that correct that you were submitting reports to the battalion 18 commander as to the progress--19 Oh no, we have another objection. MR. PRESIDENT: 20 21 Witness, could you please hold on? 22 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may proceed. 23 [15.10.21]24 MR. PAUW:

25 Thank you, Mr. President. Again, to be fair to the witness, I Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	think the prosecutor should also read out the paragraph before
2	that question because it is not simply reporting on the progress
3	of the evacuation; it is reports about specific incidents that
4	the witness describes in the question or in the answer to the
5	question just before. So, just to give the witness a
6	comprehensive picture as to what he's answering to, I would
7	request the prosecutor to also read out the prior portion.
8	MR. ABDULHAK:
9	Mr. President, can I respond as follows? In our submission, these
10	objections and interventions should be rejected.
11	It is entirely open to my learned friend to go back to these
12	passages and contextualize them in any way he wants. This is a
13	51-page document. It is a very long portion that I'm reading
14	from, and I am asking the witness to clarify. The witness is
15	perfectly capable of giving the full picture as to the facts that
16	he was reporting on.
17	So we would submit the objection should be rejected.
18	[15.11.34]
19	MR. PRESIDENT:
20	The objection is not sustained.
21	Witness is now instructed to respond to the question put by the
22	prosecutor currently.
23	BY MR. ABDULHAK:
24	Q. Mr. Kim, would you like me to repeat the question?

25 MR. KUNG KIM:

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1	A. Yes, please.
2	Q. My question was simply: Was it correct that you were
3	submitting reports to the battalion level in relation to the
4	progress of the evacuation?
5	A. At that time, I was a young person and I did not report to the
б	battalion, I only knew people in charge of the company and the
7	platoon. So the reports could only be sent to the highest level
8	was the company.
9	[15.12.59]
10	Q. Thank you. Was your group informing the company level about
11	the progress of evacuations?
12	A. The big force had already evacuated the population from the
13	city, and at our location we noted that some people still
14	remained, so we had to take them and to be handled by the
15	company.
16	Q. Thank you.
17	Now, looking at your position, in your OCIJ statement, the very
18	first question and answer, you were asked to describe your
19	history prior to 1975 and you said: "I was a soldier in Division
20	310 in the North Zone. I was a squad leader at the time. Each
21	squad had 12 members, and there were three squads subordinate to
22	each platoon."
23	Did you continue to hold that position as squad leader during the
24	evacuation of Phnom Penh?

25 A. Before we attacked Phnom Penh, I was not yet promoted as the Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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chief or head of the squad. But when Phnom Penh was captured, I
 was installed as the head of the squad.

3 [15.15.09]

Q. Now, if we can look at what -- what your -- what the units were doing during the evacuation or what the civilians were being told, returning to that statement given to DC-Cam -- the relevant RRNs: in Khmer, 00054839; in French, 00403355; and in English, 00633879 -- the question you were asked is as follows: "What did they say to the people when they saw them inside the house? What did they tell them?"

11 And your answer is as follows:

12 "We told them the commander ordered them to leave. If they 13 resisted, they would be shot to dead. We used the power to shoot 14 them to dead. We did not say that they were being sent to do this 15 or that. We told them that and we left. If they did not come out 16 of the house after we had called them, we would shoot them to 17 dead. And if they resisted when we were arriving, we would shoot 18 them immediately. That was what we were used for. We were not 19 involved with where to take them or what to do with them." 20 [15.16.43]

Is that an accurate summary of your -- of your statement and of what was happening in April '75, that if people were refusing to leave -- that they would be shot dead?

24 A. After a lot of people had been evacuated, there was not yet

25 any order to shot them dead, but the order was rendered when Corrected transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language versions of the transcript. The corrections are based on the audio recordings in the source language and may differ from verbatim interpretation in the relay and target languages.

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1	there was still remaining soldiers mingled with the civilians,
2	because we noted that some soldiers attacked our soldiers, and
3	for that, we were ordered to kill anyone who remained, because
4	these people could have been regarded as the enemy already, as
5	they contested the evacuation plan. And we made efforts to tell
б	people who remained to come down from up above so that they could
7	be evacuated, and those who did not comply with the order had to
8	be shot. And fires were exchanged, and, indeed, such orders were
9	rendered.
10	Q. Thank you. Now, on that same topic, if we look at Khmer ERN
11	0054834; French ERN 00403350; and English, 00633874, the question
12	was: "What caused the death to those bodies?"
13	[15.19.15]
14	And the answer that you gave is as follows quote:
15	"When we arrived in town, if we wanted to shoot people, we just
16	did it. The people life had no value. If we wanted to shoot the
17	people, we could do it except to shoot at our soldiers. As with
18	the people, if we wanted to shoot them, we just did it; and we
19	would not be punished for doing that because they were our enemy.
20	At that time the tractor dragged all the bodies [into the river].
21	From Kilometre [] 6 onward, there were many dead bodies along
22	the road."
23	So, looking at that segment, Mr. Kim, is it - is it correct, as
24	you stated there, that if Khmer Rouge troops wanted to shoot
25	civilians or people in the city, they could just do so and there

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- 1 was no punishment?
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 Witness, could you please hold on?
- 4 International Co-Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may now proceed.
- 5 [15.20.33]
- 6 MR. PAUW:

7 Thank you, Mr. President. I think this question is asking the 8 witness to speculate. This witness cannot testify as to the Khmer 9 Rouge soldier; he can testify as to what he, himself, saw and 10 experienced, and that's what his testimony should be confined to. 11 So the question could be rephrased, and otherwise we object.

12 MR. ABDULHAK:

Mr. President, I would disagree with my learned friend that a squad leader cannot comment on what Khmer Rouge soldiers were permitted to do. I think that the question is entirely proper. He was at the right place at the right time. He was a member of these forces. He had received the orders, and the question, in our submission, is entirely appropriate.

- 19 (Judges deliberate)
- 20 [15.22.00]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 The objection by international co-counsel by (sic) Mr. Nuon Chea
- 23 is not sustained.

24 Witness is now directed to respond to the question by the

25 Co-Prosecutor.

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1	MR. KUNG KIM:
2	A. With regard to the corpses at the riverbank, I saw the corpses
3	floating at the in the river but I did not know whether they
4	were shot at or not. But the corpses that lie on the roads could
5	have been dead or killed by gunfire. And soldiers were
6	supposed to clear the road of the corpses. That's why the tractor
7	would be used to pull or push all the dead bodies into the river.
8	BY MR. ABDULHAK:
9	Q. Mr. Kim, you're not quite answering my question there.
10	[15.23.14]
11	My question is looking at the statement that you gave, that
12	your forces had the right to shoot the people, my question is: Is
13	that an accurate statement that you made, that your forces the
14	Khmer Rouge forces had the power, the authority to kill people
15	in the city and that there was no punishment if killings took
16	place?
17	MR. KUNG KIM:
18	A. I should say that this happened only before we entered Phnom
19	Penh, because there were fighting days and nights, and at that
20	moment people who were seen in the front of the battlefields had
21	to be shot to death. But when we entered Phnom Penh, we were not
22	ordered to shoot. People had already been killed, perhaps by
23	other stray bullets or by other bombardments or rocket-propelled
24	grenades that dropped from far distance we don't know.

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- 1 that particular issue -- same document, this time Khmer ERN
- 2 00054840; French, 00403355; and English, 00633879.
- 3 [15.25.02]
- 4 And the question posed to you was: "Was there any plan telling
- 5 that if you saw the pagoda, you had to destroy it?"
- 6 Your answer is as follows:

7 "During the first step, there was no plan to destroy the pagoda. 8 The only thing we had to do when entering Phnom Penh was to force 9 people out included the monks. The people and monks were 10 considered the same, they must be kicked out. To speak in 11 general, we had the right to shoot them and to force them out." 12 Is that correct, Mr. Kung Kim, when you said, "To speak in 13 general, we had the right to shoot them and to force them out"? 14 Is it correct that you had the power, the right to shoot people 15 in order to force them out?

16 [15.26.07]

17 A. The reality is that when the people were being evacuated, if 18 there was no exchange fire from the other opponents or soldiers, 19 then people would not be shot at. But if there fire from among 20 the civilians, then there would be soldiers inside, and we would 21 be ordered to shot at them. But if there were only pure 22 civilians, then we were not ordered to shoot them. 23 And the pagoda was not ordered to be destroyed, since the pagodas 24 remain intact.

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- 1 quote: "We told them the commander ordered them to leave. If they
  2 resisted, they would be shot to dead."
  3 Is that something you were telling the civilians in order to
- 4 force them to leave? Did you tell them that if they resisted they
  5 would be killed?
- A. My squad was at our target. There was another special squad
  for evacuating the people. They would be holding loudspeakers to
  make some announcement to the people to come from up above so
  that they could be evacuated immediately.
- 10 And after the majority of the population had been evacuated, 11 special groups and the remaining squads had to deal with the 12 remaining people, and there was order that these remaining people 13 should be treated as adversary and that they could be shot dead 14 if opportunity arrived.
- 15 [15.28.25]
- 16 Q. Thank you for clarifying that.
- Now, just to look at the structure of -- and nature of your
  particular unit, again, in that DC-Cam interview -- at Khmer ERN
- 19 00054836; French, 00403352; and English, 00633876 -- there is the
- 20 following segment which I wish to look at.
- 21 Question: "To any direction?"
- 22 Answer: "Yes, any direction. And then it was up to the others
- 23 where to send these people to. [My work] was to only push them
- 24 out of the city."

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1 them? 2 "No, I did not. There were different groups [of soldiers] 3 stationing along the road to tell them where to go. I was in the 4 dragging group, so my work was to go first into the house to drag 5 them out." Question: "Were you the one who dragged them out of the house?" б 7 Answer: "Yes, to drag them out, and sent them to the other 8 group." 9 [15.29.57]10 This is just for absolute clarity: Was it the task of your group 11 to remove the people from the houses and then send them along the 12 road, where other units would direct them further? 13 A. People were not evacuated arbitrarily, and we were supposed to 14 only evacuate people at our target area because, as soldiers, we 15 had to clear the area of people so that soldiers could come and 16 station there. So I only -- our group only evacuated people at 17 the location where we stationed. 18 Q. Thank you for being specific with your answers. 19 Just a couple more questions on this period. 20 We were discussing earlier the clashes with Khmer Republic forces 21 and the treatment of Khmer Republic forces. In that DC-Cam 22 interview, there is the following segment -- this is at Khmer ERN 23 00054839; French, 00403354; and English, 00633878: 24 [15.31.55]

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1	Answer - quote: "Everyone had to leave, including the soldiers of
2	[the previous regime]. As for the soldiers, if they took off
3	their uniform, they would have a chance to live longer, but if
4	they did not take off the uniform and resisted, they would be
5	shot to dead."
6	Is that a correct statement, that those who remained in the Khmer
7	Republic uniforms would be shot to death?
8	A. When we got to the - to Phnom Penh, soldiers who did not
9	resist and agreed to go along with the people being evacuated,
10	they were spared, but those who resisted, particularly those who
11	those soldier who were within the group, they did not retreat,
12	so we had to shoot them.
13	[15.33.09]
14	So, at that time, the clash and fire exchange took place when
15	they encounter those soldiers in uniforms.
16	Q. Thank you.
17	Now, in your interview with the investigators you discussed the
18	destruction of a church in Phnom Penh and you also discussed that
19	matter in your DC-Cam interview. We have limited time, so I don't
20	want to enter into a lot of detail about the destruction of the
21	church. There's one aspect of that that I would like to ask you
22	about, and this is at in that DC-Cam interview, at 00054856 in
23	Khmer, 00403369 in French, and 00633892 in English.
24	MR. PRESIDENT:

25 International Prosecutor, could you please repeat the ERN

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- 1 numbers?
- 2 [15.34.51]
- 3 BY MR. ABDULHAK:

4 Of course, Mr. President: Khmer, 00054856; French, 00403369; and 5 English, 00633892.

Q. Again, I don't want to discuss extensively the destruction of
the church; there's one aspect of that event that I wish to ask
you about.

9 You were asked the following question: "How did you know that the 10 materials such as explosive and transportation equipments used

11 for blowing it up were from the Central? How did you know that

12 they belonged to the Central?"

13 And your answer is as follows:

14 "Because they brought in the equipments such as trucks and

15 bulldozers they used at that time to work place. The division did

16 not have those equipments. After the fall of Phnom Penh, the

17 division did not even have any trucks. There was no truck in any

- 18 division."
- 19 [15.36.08]

20 So my question is: Where you're discussing the trucks belonging 21 to the Centre, which body are you referring to, there, as "the 22 Centre"?

23 MR. KUNG KIM:

24 A. After evacuation of people out of Phnom Penh, Phnom Penh was

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1	the church Catholic church and I receive order from the
2	company, and we were the one who were tasked to detonate the
3	bombs, and we demolish it; it collapsed after that.
4	And we actually our force belonged to the central soldiers,
5	central armies as well, because when we arrived in Phnom Penh, we
6	were no longer zone military, but we belonged to the Centre. So,
7	those the trucks did not belong to the division because when I
8	got to Phnom when we were in the division, we did not see any
9	trucks, but when we got to Phnom Penh, we saw a fleet of trucks
10	taking rubbish and debris around away. So I did not know where
11	they took those debris to, but our task was mainly to detonate
12	the bombs to demolish the church.
13	[15.37.46]
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1 Centre. Do you know who was the authority above the divisions of 2 the Centre? 3 [15.39.27]A. I received the order from the company commander. And when we 4 were detonating the bombs, there was the commanders by the name 5 6 of Song and Chet, from the platoon, who -- from the battalion, 7 who oversaw the detonating and demolition of the building. And 8 there were other peoples as well, whom - who were greeted by 9 peoples over there, but I did not know their exact position in 10 the rank of command. 11 Q. Thank you. 12 We have limited time, so we're going to move on to another 13 location where you worked, by way of exploring the authority 14 structure within your division and how the structure changed, if 15 it did. 16 In your OCIJ statement, D166/74, you discussed a prison at which 17 you were assigned to work as a guard. This is at -- the section 18 begins at Khmer ERN 00270166 - or, rather, 165; French, 00486098; 19 and English, 00278683. You stated the following: 20 "In late 1975 or early 1976, I was assigned to guard a prison 21 north of Wat Phnom. That prison was the division's prison. There 22 were 32 of us guarding that prison. As for the interrogations, 23 other people did that. The prisoners included Sector Coms and 24 District Coms."

25 [15.41.50]

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1	Now, I'm going to ask you a very specific question, and if you
2	could please be very precise in your answer: When was that prison
3	of Division 310 established?
4	A. I received the direction from the battalion and regiment to
5	stand guard this prison. I was attached there in late 1975 and
б	early 1976.
7	The task of my in the platoon there were different squads,
8	and there was one commander in the platoon who oversaw the
9	function of the other three squads, and I controlled one of the
10	squads.
11	And this prison was not recently built; actually, it left behind
12	from the previous regime.
13	And I was sent there to stand guard this prison, and our main
14	task was to provide security protection to this prison.
15	And one day I saw a truck carrying the prisoners, who were all
16	blindfolded, and those prisoners were taken off the trucks and
17	admitted to this prison.
18	And this prison were divided into different section. There were
19	one in the underground the dark underground prison and
20	there were other two sections as well.
21	[15.43.41]
22	Q. Thank you; you've given us a very comprehensive answer.
23	I'm just going to repeat my previous question, and if you don't
24	know the answer just tell us "I don't know".

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1	evacuation of Phnom Penh the prison that was run by Division
2	310?
3	I know it was and I'll just clarify because I do understand
4	it was a building that had been used as a prison.
5	My question is: When did Division 310 start to use that compound
6	as a prison?
7	A. As I said, it was used as a prison in late 1975 or early 1976.
8	They started making use of this building as the prison.
9	Q. Thank you very much.
10	[15.44.38]
11	Do you know and tell us if you don't who gave the order for
12	that place to be used as a prison?
13	A. I did not know. I did not know the person who ordered the
14	establishment of this prison, but I only receive the order to
15	stand guard of this prison premise.
16	Q. Thank you. Who was it that gave you the order to stand guard
17	inside that prison? Was it one of your superiors within Division
18	310?
19	A. My direct supervisor was the commander of the company by the
20	name of Ren. And there was Song, who was the commander of the
21	regiment, and Yim, who was the commander of the battalion. So I
22	received, actually, the direct orders from Ren, who was commander
23	of the company.
24	Q. Thank you.

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1	section, we that I read to you, you said that "the prisoners
2	included Sector Coms and District Coms". And then, further down,
3	you say the following, at Khmer ERN 00270167 - or, rather,
4	00270166; French ERN 00486098; and English, 00278684 you say
5	the following:
б	"Later on, my own commander, that is, Division Commander Oeun,
7	was arrested; I saw them place him in chains. Aside from him,
8	Regimental Chairman Song, Battalion Chairman Yim, and Company
9	Commander Pho were also arrested and put in that prison."
10	[15.47.27]
11	Can you tell us where it was that you saw commander Oeun being
12	arrested?
13	A. My task was to stand guard the prison, but later on, in early
14	1976, I saw the senior the leaders were arrested, both the
15	commander of the division, the regiment, and battalions, and I
16	recognized their faces, and I saw them arrested and admitted to
17	the hospital (sic). And then, once I they noted that those
18	people were my leaders and then they transfer me out of that
19	prison, so I was no longer stationed at that prison.
20	Q. Moving along, in the interests of time, in your DC-Cam
21	interview, which we'll look at a specific section: Khmer ERN
22	00054850; French, 00403363; and English, 00633887. You discuss
23	the interrogation of prisoners in that prison. I'm only
24	interested in the authority structure.

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1 taking prisoner out also from the Division 310 or from the other 2 units?" 3 Answer: "No, they were not [from 310]. They were called the General Staff of the Central. They were from the Central." 4 5 Can you tell us what you meant by "General Staff of the Central"? Who - who was that? What body was that? б 7 [15.49.50] A. As the guards providing security at the prison, we noted that 8 9 the interrogators were not members of our division; those were 10 the members of the General Staff and they were in a higher command than our division. And our task was to stand guard over 11 12 there, and we only witnessed prisoners being admitted to the 13 prison and the torture being inflicted to the prisoners. 14 Q. Now, returning to the statement and just looking at General 15 Staff in a bit more detail again -- Khmer ERN 00054844; French ERN 00403358; and English, 00633882 -- you were discussing a 16 17 meeting which took place following the arrest of the senior 18 Division 310 cadres, and looking at the following section -19 question: "When they held the meeting to tell you, who was that 20 person who said that your commander was the traitor?" 21 Answer: "I did not know the name. They came to hold the meeting 22 and told us that our division commander was arrested because he 23 was the traitor, so they would change a new leader for us." 24 Question: "But which unit that held the meeting to tell you?" 25 Answer: "They were from the Central. They were called the General

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- 1 Staff of the Central."
- 2 [15.52.00]

3 Is that the same body -- the General Staff which convened this 4 meeting, is that the same body that you were describing earlier 5 as people responsible for arrests?

A. When they arrested the commanders from the company up to the 6 7 division commander, then, in 1976 - early 1976 -- they removed us, actually, they transferred us to the airfield in Kampong 8 9 Chhnang. At that time, the airfield were to be constructed, and 10 we were supposed to help construct the building. At that time, 11 the commander supervising us was Pon. And there was the General 12 Staff, who were people from the Southwest, who were the close aid 13 of the Centre. So, the soldiers from the Southwest were tasked to 14 supervise our forces because we were considered the combatant 15 forces. So, following the arrest of my commanders, they dispersed 16 our forces, so they just transferred us under the supervision of 17 soldiers from the Southwest and they accused my superiors -- my 18 previous superiors -- as traitors.

19 [15.53.42]

Q. I just want to make sure I understood you correctly. Were you telling us that it was the General Staff of the Centre that had assigned the Southwest Zone cadres to take over your division? A. At the time, the - my forces did not have leaders anymore because - anymore because they were all arrested, so they

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1	Q. Thank you. Now, just exploring that topic you mentioned a
2	lot of people being arrested I just want to clarify or ask you
3	about one passage in your interview with DC-Cam at Khmer,
4	00054843; French, 00403357 to 58; and 00633881 for English. You
5	said the following quote-
б	MR. PRESIDENT:
7	Mr. Prosecutor, please repeat your ERN numbers again. Please be
8	more slowly, please.
9	BY MR. ABDULHAK:
10	Thank you, Mr. President; my apologies. The ERNs are: for Khmer,
11	00054843; French, 00403357 to 8; and English, 00633881.
12	[15.55.57]
13	Q. There is a long answer here; I'm just going to read the
14	relevant part for our present purposes quote:
15	"They said that those who had been arrested were the traitors.
16	They educated me, the guard, that my leader was arrested because
17	he had been in the string network. Then the arrested persons
18	implicated others, leading to more arrests of the regiment
19	commanders."
20	Can you explain for us just a little bit what is meant by the
21	concept of a "string network"?
22	MR. KUNG KIM:
23	A. At the time, my understanding was that they accused my leaders
24	of being the enemies and traitors, and I did not know; I did not
25 Correcte	understand why they were characterized as enemies, because they ad transcript: Text occurring between less than (<) and greater than (>) signs has been corrected to ensure consistency among the three language version

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1	were leaders in their rank, and I did not know what happened up
2	there. But what I noted, generally, was that the commanders in
3	the regiments and division commander were all arrested, but those
4	who were lower in the rank were not arrested. And I heard from
5	others that those who were arrested were accused of being the
6	enemy.
7	[15.57.31]
8	Q. Thank you.
9	We have only a few minutes remaining. Returning to your interview
10	with the investigators at Khmer ERN 00270166; French,
11	00486098; and English, 00278683 I just wish to read one
12	sentence to you. You're describing the people being held at the
13	prison, here, and you say: "Those prisoners were only at my
14	location for two or three nights before they were taken to Tuol
15	Sleng."
16	Could you tell the Court how you learned that these prisoners
17	were being removed and taken to Tuol Sleng?
18	MR. PRESIDENT:
19	Witness, please hold on.
20	The National Defence Counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary, you may proceed.
21	[15.58.46]
22	MR. ANG UDOM:
23	May it please the Court, I actually should have raised this
24	matter earlier, but I hoped that the prosecutor would not move

25 with his question.

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1	If we look at the order issued by the Chamber, document E124, the
2	prosecutor is deviating from this instruction because he is now
3	referring to the prison. And according to this order, we are not
4	supposed to discuss the location of prisons or security centres.
5	Because I'm afraid the prosecutor is being deviating from the
6	scope of the trial before us now.
7	Thank you, Mr. President.
8	MR. ABDULHAK:
9	Mr. President, if I can respond briefly, my friend is, I'm
10	afraid, entirely wrong.
11	The issues to be covered in this trial include the military
12	structure and the role of the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea in
13	purges. That is at paragraphs 146 to 149 of the Closing Order and
14	it is listed in the document to which my friend is referring.
15	Now, I'm being very careful not to enter into extensive
16	examination of the crime base; I'm simply eliciting evidence in
17	relation to the changing structure of the division and to how the
18	purges affected the senior cadres. That's why I didn't ask any
19	questions about the prison of Division 310. And, in my respectful
20	submission, it's entirely appropriate to elicit a limited amount
21	of evidence about the changing structure and the removals of
22	senior commanders within this division.
23	(Judges deliberate)

23 (Judges deliberate)

24 [16.02.12]

#### 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 The Chamber notes that the question that -- put by the
- 2 Co-Prosecutor just now was not relevant directly to the facts.
- 3 And since it is most likely the last question by the prosecutor
- 4 already, the Chamber allows the witness to respond.
- 5 MR. KUNG KIM:
- 6 A. The reason I knew that they were sent to Tuol Sleng, because
- 7 the guards who were with me were engaged in escorting them there.
- 8 When they returned, they told me about this.
- 9 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 10 Thank you, Mr. Kung Kim, for your answers and for coming to the
- 11 Court to assist us.
- 12 [16.03.15]
- 13 I'll just indicate that the case file contains the confession of14 Sbauv Him, alias Oeun; this is document number IS 5.89. It is the
- 15 S-21 confession of the Division Commander of Division 310.
- 16 We've run out of time. I thank Your Honours for the extra time,
- 17 and we will stop here. Thank you.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties, you may now proceed.
- 21 MR. PICH ANG:
- 22 Thank you, Mr. President. Since tomorrow I will be absent,
- 23 co-counsels for the civil parties will be putting questions to
- 24 this witness. Ms. Chet Vanly and Counsel Beini Ye will be putting
- 25 the questions, for your information.

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1	MR. PRESIDENT:
2	Thank you, Counsel, and thank you, Witness.
3	Since it is now appropriate time for today adjournment, the
4	Chamber will adjourn, and the next sessions will be resumed by
5	tomorrow, at 9 a.m.
6	[16.04.35]
7	During tomorrow's sessions, the Chamber continues to hear the
8	testimonies of Mr. Kung Kim.
9	Mr. Kung Kim, your testimonies are not yet complete, so we would
10	like to ask that you come back to the Court tomorrow to give the
11	testimonies.
12	Court officer is now instructed to assist, with the WESU unit, to
13	make sure that Mr. Kung Kim is properly accommodated and that he
14	is returned to the courtroom by 9 a.m.
15	Security personnel are now instructed to bring Mr. Nuon Chea and
16	Khieu Samphan to the detention facility and have them return to
17	the courtroom by tomorrow, before 9 a.m.
18	The Court is adjourned.
19	THE GREFFIER:
20	(No interpretation)
21	(Court adjourns at 1605H)
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