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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0904H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 Today, the Chamber continues to hear the remaining testimony of
- 6 Witness Muy Vanny, and begin hearing testimony of another witness
- 7 -- that is, 2-TCW-988.
- 8 Ms. Chea Sivhoang, please report the attendance of the parties
- 9 and other individuals to today's proceedings.
- 10 THE GREFFIER:
- 11 Mr. President, for today's proceedings, all parties to this case
- 12 are present except the National Lead Co-Lawyer for civil parties,
- 13 who is absent for personal reasons.
- 14 Mr. Nuon Chea is present in the holding cell downstairs. He has
- 15 waived his right to be present in the courtroom. The waiver has
- 16 been delivered to the greffier.
- 17 The witness who is to conclude his testimony today -- that is,
- 18 Mr. Muy Vanny, is present in the courtroom. The witness who is to
- 19 testify next -- that is, 2-TCW-988, took an oath before the Iron
- 20 Club Statute yesterday, and he has Counsel Moeurn Sovann as his
- 21 duty counsel.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 [09.06.17]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you, Ms. Chea Sivhoang. The Chamber now decides on the

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- 1 request by Nuon Chea.
- 2 The Chamber has received a waiver from Nuon Chea, dated 12
- 3 January 2016, which states that, due to his health, headache,
- 4 back pain, he cannot sit or concentrate for long. And in order to
- 5 effectively participate in future hearings, he requests to waive
- 6 his rights to participate in and be present at the 12 January
- 7 2016 hearing.
- 8 Having seen the medical report of Nuon Chea by the duty doctor
- 9 for the Accused at ECCC, dated 12 January 2016, which notes that
- 10 Nuon Chea has severe back pain when he sits for long and
- 11 recommends that the Chamber grant him his request so that he can
- 12 follow the proceedings remotely from the holding cell downstairs.
- 13 Based on the above information and pursuant to Rule 81.5 of the
- 14 ECCC Internal Rules, the Chamber grants Nuon Chea his request to
- 15 follow today's proceedings remotely from the holding cell
- 16 downstairs via audio-visual means.
- 17 [09.07.34]
- 18 The Chamber instructs the AV Unit personnel to link the
- 19 proceedings to the room downstairs so that Nuon Chea can follow.
- 20 This applies to the whole day.
- 21 And the Chamber now hands the floor to the defence team for Khieu
- 22 Samphan to continue putting further questions to this witness.
- 23 You may proceed.
- 24 OUESTIONING BY MS. GUISSE RESUMES:
- 25 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning to all of you.

- 1 Q. Good morning to you, Witness Muy Vanny. I'm going to continue
- 2 and take up from where we stopped yesterday.
- 3 I would like to remind you, however, that it's necessary for you
- 4 to listen carefully to my questions and to answer these questions
- 5 as precisely as possible.
- 6 You spoke yesterday, therefore, about your work within a mobile
- 7 unit that was attached to the district, if I understood you
- 8 correctly, and you told us that, back then, the people who made
- 9 up this unit were young people between the ages of 20 to 30.
- 10 So can you tell us where you were stationed, where was your
- 11 mobile unit stationed at that time?
- 12 [09.08.51]
- 13 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 14 A. It varied. As I was part of the district mobile unit, we were
- 15 constantly mobile from one worksite to the other.
- 16 Q. So maybe my question wasn't sufficiently precise, so I
- 17 apologize.
- 18 So when you witnessed the arrest you described yesterday, where
- 19 were you stationed?
- 20 A. I was in Sdau commune.
- 21 Q. And where, exactly, in Sdau commune were you?
- 22 A. I was in Sdau village.
- 23 [09.09.59]
- Q. You said that when you saw people standing in row who
- 25 apparently had been arrested, you said that you were returning

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- 1 from a place where you cleared grass and that you were riding an
- 2 ox cart.
- 3 So can you tell us if you were alone on that ox cart or if there
- 4 were other people with you?
- 5 A. There were two or three ox carts at the time, and we were
- 6 assigned to cut grass at a far distant place. It was in Mukh
- 7 Kampul district, so we were divided into different groups, and my
- 8 group arrived rather late. And halfway through our journey, I saw
- 9 what happened. And when we returned to our sleeping quarters at a
- 10 mobile unit, the situation was rather quiet.
- 11 Q. You said yesterday that, in your unit, there was a majority of
- 12 Cham people. So are you speaking about this mobile unit or are
- 13 you speaking about another unit here?
- 14 A. I refer to my unit, and that is the unit that I was attached
- 15 to. And there was a mixture of the Cham and the Khmer people. And
- 16 it was a small mobile unit.
- 17 [09.12.08]
- 18 Q. So we agree, therefore, that the day when you came back from
- 19 clearing on the ox cart, you were part of this unit that included
- 20 Cham people as whereas -- as well as Khmer people; is that
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 23 Q. In my notes, I noted that you said that, in the small unit,
- 24 there were about five Khmer people and 25 Cham people. Did I
- 25 understand your testimony properly?

- 1 A. I cannot recall the exact words that I used. However, if that
- 2 is what I stated previously, I stand by it. This event took place
- 3 a long time ago.
- 4 Q. Well, in fact, I don't want to put words in your mouth. I just
- 5 want you to tell us the story as best as you can -- you remember
- 6 it.
- 7 So as far as you remember it, can you tell us how many Cham
- 8 people and how many Khmer people there were within your unit?
- 9 A. I did not pay much attention to that, and I only knew some of
- 10 them and not all. As for the names, also I only knew some of
- 11 their names. My main attention was focusing on the work assigned
- 12 to me. Although we were -- we were in the same small unit, I did
- 13 not know everyone.
- 14 [09.14.10]
- 15 Q. Is it true, therefore, that under these conditions, you did
- 16 not necessarily know who was Cham and who was Khmer?
- 17 A. Yes. And what I can recall is that those people who were
- 18 arrested were all Cham because there were not many Khmer in the
- 19 unit because if everyone had to be arrested, it means the Khmer
- 20 people had to be gone too; it means there would be no one left in
- 21 the unit.
- 22 Q. Yesterday at around 10.31 in the morning, you said that when
- 23 you came back on the ox cart, it was about 6 o'clock in the
- 24 evening. And today, you're telling us that there were many other
- 25 ox carts.

- 1 So who was riding these ox carts; do you remember?
- 2 A. I was assigned alone to cut the grass. However, other members
- 3 of the unit were assigned to various villages within the commune
- 4 to perform different tasks. And I, myself, was assigned to cut
- 5 the grass, which the village -- with the people from the kitchen
- 6 unit.
- 7 [09.16.15]
- 8 Q. You said, therefore, that it was around 6 o'clock in the
- 9 evening. And yesterday, you said that you only recognized one or
- 10 two people in the row. So must I understand from your testimony
- 11 that it was dark then?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Since you only recognized one or two people, how can you be
- 14 sure that all of the people who were arrested were Cham?
- 15 A. Because in my unit, all the Cham people were arrested, and
- 16 there were only a few left. And they were all Khmer.
- 17 Q. But you just told me a little earlier that you did not
- 18 necessarily know who was Khmer and who was Cham so, therefore,
- 19 how were you able to -- how can you assert that?
- 20 A. As I stated from the beginning, the people who were called to
- 21 go were all Cham, and if everyone in my unit had to be called, it
- 22 means I, myself, would have been called too.
- 23 [09.18.03]
- 24 Q. So if I understood your testimony well, you arrived when the
- 25 people had already been gathered and were already standing in a

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- 1 row, so you already came across these people on your way. So that
- 2 is to say that you were not present when these people were called
- 3 to gather? Am I correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So therefore, is it true that you do not know exactly under
- 6 which conditions these arrests took place?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And the other people who were on other ox carts went to other
- 9 villages, as far as you said.
- 10 So must I understand that these people belong to another unit?
- 11 A. Yes, they did.
- 12 [09.19.18]
- 13 Q. And did you know these people? Did you know where these people
- 14 came from?
- 15 A. No, I did not.
- 16 Q. You said yesterday as well that a certain number of Cham
- 17 people in your unit came from Angkor Ban and from Sach Sou. So,
- 18 had you already been to Sach Sou and to Angkor Ban?
- 19 A. Later on, I knew of that village. In Kang Meas district, there
- 20 were about two communes where the Cham people resided.
- 21 Q. You're telling me "later". You said that, later, you got to
- 22 know both of these villages. But my question was, when you were
- 23 in the mobile unit, had you already gone to these villages?
- 24 A. No, I did not.
- 25 [09.20.45]

- 1 Q. So therefore, is it true that you knew nobody from these
- 2 villages and, therefore, you did not know the Cham people with
- 3 whom you worked within the mobile unit before working with them?
- 4 A. I did not know them all because our unit -- because it was a
- 5 mixture, but it is my understanding that Cham people resided in
- 6 two communes, Angkor Ban and another commune. However, Sach Sou
- 7 was a village within that commune.
- 8 Q. Now I would like to get back to the period during which you
- 9 worked at the Wat Au Trakuon pagoda for Horn. And yesterday, at
- 10 10.17 in the morning, you said that you did not spend all of your
- 11 time at the pagoda, but that, generally, you would stay with the
- 12 commune soldiers. So I'd like you to clarify this point.
- 13 When you answered my colleague, Victor Koppe, yesterday, you said
- 14 that you would spend maybe one or two nights at the pagoda and
- 15 then you would spend the other nights elsewhere. So can you
- 16 specify to the Chamber where these commune soldiers were
- 17 stationed, the commune soldiers with whom you spent time when you
- 18 were not at the pagoda?
- 19 [09.22.49]
- 20 A. At that time, we were stationed in various communes; namely
- 21 Reay Pay, and usually we would be stationed at the outskirt where
- 22 there were forests. And part of the forces were used, for
- 23 example, for various other tasks, to dig and carry dirt. However,
- 24 I did not know every single village situated within the communes.
- 25 I only knew locations where I was stationed; namely, Khchau

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- 1 (phonetic) village.
- 2 Q. And do I understand you properly when you say that when you
- 3 were stationed with these commune soldiers, you were accompanying
- 4 Horn when he would come to inspect the military stations?
- 5 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 6 Q. And you say that it is with the commune soldiers that you
- 7 remained. But what about the district soldiers? Did you know
- 8 where they were stationed?
- 9 A. I think you got confused. The person was in charge of the
- 10 district soldiers. However, allow me to clarify. Those district
- 11 soldiers were stationed in various communes under that district.
- 12 And they might be stationed for a week or a fortnight in a
- 13 particular commune and then redeployed to be stationed elsewhere
- 14 within another commune under the district.
- 15 [09.25.08]
- 16 Q. So when you said yesterday that you would generally stay with
- 17 the commune soldiers, were these district soldiers, in fact, who
- 18 were assigned to a specific commune, or were these other
- 19 soldiers? Were you referring to other soldiers?
- 20 A. The commune -- the communes had their own soldiers, and there
- 21 were different groups from the district soldiers. And Horn was in
- 22 charge of district soldiers, not the commune soldiers.
- 23 Q. And since you were working with Horn, can you tell us why,
- 24 then, you would stay with the commune soldiers?
- 25 [09.26.12]

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 I have not heard the witness refer to commune soldiers, and
- 3 counsel, maybe you got confused.
- 4 Yesterday, the witness testified that the soldiers belonged to
- 5 the district, however, they were stationed in various communes
- 6 where there were issues. And they would be stationed for a
- 7 specific period of time and then redeployed to other communes.
- 8 And that's what the witness testified yesterday, and that's what
- 9 he is testifying now. He refers to district soldiers who were
- 10 stationed in various communes in Peam Chi Kang district.
- 11 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 12 So there might have been a problem in the interpretation or in my
- 13 notes, so no problem. I will clarify this.
- 14 Q. So can you confirm that when you said that you were staying
- 15 with soldiers, these were district soldiers?
- 16 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 17 A. Yes, they were district soldiers as clarified by the
- 18 President.
- 19 [09.27.34]
- 20 Q. Can you confirm that Horn himself was a soldier?
- 21 A. As I stated from the outset, he was in charge of soldiers, and
- 22 he was also in charge of the Au Trakuon security centre. And when
- 23 he was on a mobile with the soldiers, he would assign his deputy
- 24 to take charge of the security centre. Sometimes he would stay at
- 25 the centre for a week, and then he would leave to various other

- 1 locations to inspect his soldiers.
- 2 Q. My specific question was, was Horn a soldier? And if that was
- 3 the case, did you know his rank?
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 The witness stated that the person was in charge of the district
- 6 soldiers as well as in charge of the Au Trakuon pagoda security
- 7 centre.
- 8 And witness, please only respond to the counsel about his
- 9 military rank. What rank did he hold? Please be brief, if you
- 10 know the response, and if you don't know it, you say you don't
- 11 know and it is a part of your response.
- 12 [09.29.16]
- 13 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 14 A. He was in charge of district soldiers.
- 15 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 16 Q. So therefore, must I conclude from this that you did not know
- 17 his rank?
- 18 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 19 A. Yes, that is correct. I did not know his rank.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Deputy Co-Prosecutor, you have the floor.
- 22 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 23 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 24 If there was an error on my part, I don't think it was a very
- 25 serious error on my part. There were no ranks of generals and so

- 1 forth.
- 2 [09.30.12]
- 3 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 4 I believe I heard the witness talk about several units,
- 5 battalions. I think there's reference to grades or ranks, but
- 6 based on the witness' testimony, I cannot discuss this matter. I
- 7 will have another opportunity to do so.
- 8 Q. Witness, let me continue with my examination still with regard
- 9 to the period during which you worked with Horn. I would like to
- 10 talk about the time when, at the pagoda, you stated that you
- 11 slept at a particular location in the pagoda. Can you tell the
- 12 Chamber where, exactly, it was located?
- 13 You talked of a number of buildings. Can you be more precise?
- 14 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 15 A. It was at a monk residence, and it was an old existing
- 16 structure of a monk residence. It was not newly built.
- 17 [09.31.32]
- 18 Q. Can you situate that building in relation to the entrance to
- 19 the pagoda?
- 20 A. It was situated within the compound of the pagoda.
- 21 O. I did understand that it was in relation to the entrance. As
- 22 regards the entrance, was it close to the entrance or was it far
- 23 off from the entrance?
- 24 Can you tell us where, exactly, the monks were staying as you
- 25 pointed out?

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- 1 A. It was behind the main hall.
- 2 Q. So if I understand correctly, when you went into the pagoda,
- 3 you had the main building and then you passed that building and
- 4 you get to the building in which the monks were housed; is that
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 7 Q. Yesterday, at 13.47, you stated that prisoners were
- 8 interrogated within the premises of a school. Can you tell us
- 9 where, exactly, that school was situated in relation to the
- 10 pagoda?
- 11 A. It was adjacent to the gate of the pagoda.
- 12 [09.33.20]
- 13 Q. Was it within the premises of the pagoda or outside the
- 14 premises of the pagoda?
- 15 A. It is -- it's still -- it is still located in the same place.
- 16 There was a building within the compound of that school.
- 17 Q. I am not sure I properly understood your answer. My question
- 18 was whether the school was within the premises of the pagoda or
- 19 outside of the premises of the pagoda.
- 20 A. It bordered along the fence, and it's still in the same
- 21 location, bordering the fence of the pagoda. The location of the
- 22 school is now transferred to the authority under different
- 23 neighbourhood, so it border along the fence of the pagoda.
- 24 [09.34.43]
- 25 Q. When you say that it was adjacent to the pagoda, do I

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- 1 understand that you mean that the school was outside the pagoda?
- 2 Because you said it was near the fence. But was it outside of the
- 3 pagoda?
- 4 Are we agreed that it was outside of the pagoda?
- 5 A. Yes, you are right.
- 6 Q. You have stated that, given your age and your duties, you had
- 7 nothing to do with the interrogations. Do you know whether those
- 8 interrogations -- or who carried out those interrogations? Do you
- 9 remember who conducted those interrogations?
- 10 A. Perhaps it was Bot or Kuong. The two individuals were the
- 11 deputies of Horn.
- 12 Q. You have perhaps tried to answer the question, but let me draw
- 13 your attention to the importance of talking only about things you
- 14 knew and things you witnessed. If you do not know anything, tell
- 15 me that you do not know.
- 16 So let me repeat my question. Was it an assumption on your part
- 17 or you truly knew who conducted the interrogations?
- 18 THE INTERPRETER:
- 19 A. The interpreter could not hear the beginning part of the
- 20 statement of the witness.
- 21 [09.36.25]
- 22 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 23 Q. Mr. Witness, could you please repeat your answer? The
- 24 interpreters didn't hear it.
- 25 MR. MUY VANNY:

- 1 A. There was only two individuals, Bot and Kuong, who did that.
- 2 O. A while ago, you said "perhaps". Are you sure of your answer
- 3 now?
- 4 A. I am sure.
- 5 Q. You stated that you did not attend meetings involving chiefs.
- 6 That is what you said yesterday, and so you said you knew nothing
- 7 regarding the work they did precisely.
- 8 Can we, therefore, say that you, yourself, did not know the
- 9 reasons for the interrogations and how they were conducted?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 [09.37.48]
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Please hold on, Mr. Witness.
- 14 You have the floor now, Deputy International Co-Prosecutor.
- 15 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 16 I would like to object to this question because yesterday, the
- 17 witness, indeed, said that when he accompanied Horn outside of
- 18 the commune and so on and so forth, he did not attend meetings,
- 19 and so he didn't know the contents of those meetings.
- 20 Now we are talking of another context, the Wat Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 21 We know what he told the Investigating Judges. I don't think the
- 22 situation is the same as yesterday.
- 23 We are not talking of meetings outside of the pagoda. We are
- 24 talking of functions within -- or meetings within the pagoda, so
- 25 this question is designed to confuse the witness, so this

- 1 question should be rephrased.
- 2 [09.38.37]
- 3 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 4 No problem. I will rephrase it.
- 5 Q. Witness, is it correct to say that, as part of your duties,
- 6 you did not play any role in investigations or interrogations?
- 7 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 8 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 9 Q. Is it also correct to say that the two persons you left were
- 10 in charge of interrogations did not discuss the contents of those
- 11 interrogations with you?
- 12 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 13 Q. Is it also correct to say that you did not know the criteria
- on which any of the persons involved were interrogated?
- 15 [09.39.27]
- 16 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 17 You have the floor now, International Deputy Co-Prosecutor.
- 18 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 19 The defence counsel is asking very restrictive, even negative
- 20 questions. The same questions should be posed openly. For
- 21 instance, she can ask, do you know? And if he doesn't know, he
- 22 can say he doesn't know. So the questions should be open, and not
- 23 closed.
- 24 MS. GUISSE:
- 25 I find this very ironical that it is the Co-Prosecutor who is

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- 1 objecting to my questions. We know that his questions are always
- 2 closed and leading. I believe the questions I'm putting to the
- 3 witness are very clear and concise. If the witness has other
- 4 information to provide to me, he can do so because the questions
- 5 I'm putting to the witness are very open because if the question
- 6 can be answered with a no, he can do so.
- 7 May I continue my line of questioning, Mr. President?
- 8 [09.40.37]
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 The objection of the International Deputy Co-Prosecutor is
- 11 correct. The last set of questions put by counsel are leading
- 12 ones.
- 13 Witness, you are instructed not to answer these questions.
- 14 MS. GUISSE:
- 15 I am rather surprised at the decision given the fact that I am
- 16 managing my examination of the witness in a very clear manner,
- 17 and I take note of your decision.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 The questions are leading ones, as I decided already. "Is that
- 20 correct" in the question are leading ones, so sometimes I am
- 21 lenient, but I cannot be lenient forever.
- 22 [09.41.40]
- 23 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 24 Q. Mr. Witness, as part of your duties and responsibilities, was
- 25 it possible for you to know the reasons for which one person or

- 1 the other was interrogated and another was not interrogated?
- 2 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 3 A. I am not aware of that issue. I do not know about the
- 4 interrogation.
- 5 Q. I'll go into another line of questioning, still with regard to
- 6 the Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 7 Yesterday, you stated that there was a group inside the pagoda
- 8 known as the Long Swords Group. Can you tell the Chamber what was
- 9 the difference between the district soldiers and the members of
- 10 the Long Swords Group?
- 11 A. The difference is that one group was stationed at the security
- 12 guards' centre, and militiamen were to protect and deal with the
- 13 chaotic situation at different communes for two, three or four
- 14 days or one week.
- 15 [09.43.26]
- 16 Q. And when you refer to militias, are you talking of the Long
- 17 Swords Group?
- 18 A. Those who were on standby at Au Trakuon pagoda. These people
- 19 remain on duty within Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 20 Q. And as part of their guard duty at Au Trakuon, what were those
- 21 militias of the Long Swords Group doing?
- 22 A. I do not know about that.
- 23 Q. Do you know whether there were other Long Swords Groups
- 24 elsewhere in the commune -- throughout that commune?
- 25 A. I do not know about that.

- 1 Q. And was that Long Swords Group also under Horn's supervision?
- 2 A. They were under the responsibility of Horn and the deputies.
- 3 [09.45.25]
- 4 Q. Did you know a person by the name of Samrit Muy?
- 5 A. I did not know this person at the time.
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Judge Lavergne, you have the floor.
- 8 Please wait for a second, counsel. You have the floor now, Judge
- 9 Lavergne.
- 10 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 11 I am not in a position to pronounce Khmer perfectly, but it would
- 12 be good for you to give the witness a document on which that
- 13 person's name is written so that the witness may be able to read
- 14 it. Otherwise, perhaps you could ask your colleague who speaks
- 15 Khmer to pronounce that name.
- 16 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 17 I will ask my colleague, Kong Sam Onn, to pronounce that name to
- 18 avoid any difficulties.
- 19 Q. Do you know a person by the name of Samrit Muy?
- 20 [09.46.38]
- 21 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 22 The name mentioned by the interpreters is correct. The name is
- 23 Muy. Samrit Muy.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Mr. Witness, do you happen to -- did you know the person by the

- 1 name Samrit Muy in the Khmer Rouge time?
- 2 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 3 I did not know this person.
- 4 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 5 Q. I'll use the same approach for the next person.
- 6 Do you know a person by the name Tay Koemhun?
- 7 It appears that the pronunciation was correct, in principle.
- 8 Let me, therefore, repeat my question. Mr. Witness, during the
- 9 period of Democratic Kampuchea, did you know a person by the name
- 10 Tay Koemhun?
- 11 MR. MUY VANNY
- 12 A. I did not know this individual at the time. However, when I
- 13 came to perform my duty as a teacher in my location, I started to
- 14 know this person.
- 15 As I said, during that regime, I did not know him.
- 16 Q. You specifically stated that you came not too far from the Au
- 17 Trakuon pagoda as part of your duties. Did you know any committee
- 18 in the Au Trakuon pagoda?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 [09.48.53]
- 21 Q. And Tay Koemhun, whom you say you recently knew or got to know
- 22 when you returned there as a teacher, how did you get to know
- 23 that person? How did you meet that person?
- 24 A. I got to know him in 1985 when I was assigned to be a teacher
- 25 in the location. And it was the time when he was assigned to be

- 1 the committee within the school that I got to know him.
- Once again, as I said, I did not know him during the Pol Pot
- 3 regime.
- 4 Q. And even though you may not have known him during the regime,
- 5 do you know whether he had any particular position under the
- 6 Democratic Kampuchea regime?
- 7 A. I do not know about that.
- 8 Q. The same question applies to Samrit Muy. Did you also know him
- 9 after the Democratic Kampuchea regime?
- 10 A. I did not know him during the Pol Pot regime.
- 11 Where was he living during the time? Could you tell me?
- 12 [09.50.45]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 You have the floor now, Judge Lavergne.
- 15 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 16 For the record and to be sure that everyone is aware of what
- 17 you're talking about, it appears, counsel, that Samrit Muy is
- 18 2-TCW-883 and Tay Koemhun has a pseudonym which is 2-TCW-873.
- 19 Please correct me if I am wrong.
- 20 BY MS. GUISSE:
- 21 That is true because I'm talking about persons who have testified
- 22 before this Chamber.
- 23 Q. So my question remains the same, witness. I have, indeed,
- 24 understood that you didn't know Samrit Muy at the time of the
- 25 events during the Democratic Kampuchea regime.

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- 1 My question is whether you knew him subsequently when you
- 2 returned to that area.
- 3 MR. MUY VANNY:
- A. I did not know him before -- within the regime, and I want 4
- 5 your clarification where he was living during the time. And
- perhaps I am not quite sure of the name. 6
- 7 And as of now, is he living within the same location as mine?
- [09.52.18] 8
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 The question is whether you know a person by the name Samrit Muy
- 11 within your place of work.
- 12 After the fall of the regime, did you get to know an individual
- 13 by the name Samrit Muy?
- MR. MUY VANNY: 14
- Yes, I know him. 15
- BY MS. GUISSE: 16
- Q. And how did you get to know him? Did you know whether he had 17
- any particular duties and responsibilities in that area? 18
- 19 MR. MUY VANNY:
- 20 A. I know him, but I do not know what responsibility he is
- 21 performing.
- 22 MS. GUISSE:
- 23 I am done with my examination of this witness, Mr. President, and
- 24 I thank you.
- 25 [09.53.41]

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 Thank you, Counsel.
- 3 Thank you, Witness Muy Vanny. The hearing of your testimony as a
- 4 witness comes to a conclusion now. Your testimony will contribute
- 5 to the truth.
- 6 You may now be excused. You may return to your residence or to
- 7 any destination you wish to go. I wish you good luck, good health
- 8 and prosperity.
- 9 Court officers, please work with the WESU unit to send Mr. Samrit
- 10 Muy, to the residence or to any place he wishes to go.
- 11 After the break, the Chamber will start to hear 2-TCW-988. The
- 12 witness has a duty counsel, Mr. Moeurn Sovann, with him or her.
- 13 It is now break time. The Chamber will take a short break from
- 14 now until 10 past 10.00 to resume our hearing.
- 15 The Court is now in recess.
- 16 (Court recesses from 0954H to 1012H)
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 19 And court officer, please escort Witness TCW-988 as well as his
- 20 duty counsel, Moeurn Sovann, into the courtroom.
- 21 (Short pause)
- 22 (Witness enters the courtroom)
- 23 [10.14.24]
- 24 QUESTIONING BY THE PRESIDENT:
- 25 Q. Good morning, Witness. What is your name?

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- 1 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 2 A. Say Doeun.
- 3 Q. Thank you, Mr. Say Doeun.
- 4 And do you recall when you were born?
- 5 A. No, I do not.
- 6 Q. How old are you this year?
- 7 A. Sixty-eight.
- 8 Q. And where were you born?
- 9 A. I was born in Dambang Daek.
- 10 [10.15.20]
- 11 Q. Please be more specific with village, commune, district and
- 12 province.
- 13 A. It was in Kaoh Roka commune, Kampong Cham province.
- 14 Q. Which district Kaoh Roka commune is located?
- 15 A. It was Kampong Siem district.
- 16 Q. Where is your current address?
- 17 A. I lived in Dambang Daek.
- 18 Q. What is Dambang Daek? Is it a village?
- 19 A. It's Dambang Daek village.
- 20 Q. Which commune and district this village is located in?
- 21 A. It is in Kaoh Roka commune, Kampong Siem district.
- 22 Q. What is your current occupation?
- 23 A. I make baskets, I farm the rice fields.
- 24 [10.16.52]
- 25 Q. What are the names of your parents?

- 1 A. They are Phen and Dit.
- 2 Q. What is the name of your mother?
- 3 A. Her name is Phoeun Phen.
- 4 Q. What is the name of your wife, and how many children do you
- 5 have?
- 6 A. Her name is Heng Suon. We have seven children.
- 7 Q. Thank you, Mr. Say Doeun.
- 8 The greffier made an oral report yesterday that you are not
- 9 related, by blood or by law, to any of the two Accused -- that
- 10 is, Nuon Chea and Khieu Samphan, or to any of the civil parties
- 11 admitted in this case. Is this information accurate?
- 12 A. I am not related to any of them.
- 13 O. The greffier also made a report this morning that you took an
- 14 oath before the Iron Club Statue before your appearance; is that
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. I took an oath already.
- 17 [10.18.34]
- 18 Q. The Chamber would like to inform you of your rights and
- 19 obligations as a witness.
- 20 Mr. Say Doeun, as a witness in the proceedings before the
- 21 Chamber, you may refuse to respond to any question or to make any
- 22 comment which may incriminate you. That is your right against
- 23 self-incrimination. This means that you may refuse to provide
- 24 your response or make any comments that could lead you to being
- 25 prosecuted.

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- 1 Now on your obligations: As a witness in the proceedings before
- 2 the Chamber, you must respond to any questions by the party -- by
- 3 the parties or the Bench, except where your response or comments
- 4 to those questions might incriminate you, as the Chamber has just
- 5 informed you of your rights as a witness. You must tell the truth
- 6 that you have known, heard, seen, remembered, experienced or
- 7 observed directly about an event or occurrence relevant to the
- 8 questions that the Bench or parties pose to you.
- 9 [10.19.52]
- 10 And Mr. Say Doeun, thus far, have you been interviewed by
- 11 investigators of the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges? If
- 12 so, how many times, when and where?
- 13 A. It was held at Dambang Daek.
- 14 Q. How many times?
- 15 A. It was for one time.
- 16 Q. Before your appearance, have you reviewed, read or have it
- 17 read out to you I refer to your written record of interviews
- 18 that was held at Dambang Daek -- in order to refresh your memory?
- 19 A. I recall parts of the written record.
- 20 Q. And to your best knowledge, can you tell the Chamber whether
- 21 the written record of your interview that you have read it or
- 22 have it read out to you is consistent with what you told the
- 23 investigators at Dambang Daek?
- 24 A. I am ready to listen.
- 25 [10.21.33]

- 1 Q. My question to you is that, whether the written record that
- 2 you read it before your appearance or whether you have it read
- 3 out to you by another person is consistent with what you told the
- 4 investigators at Dambang Daek. I refer to the content of your
- 5 written record, whether it is consistent with what you told the
- 6 investigators.
- 7 A. My grandchild actually read it out aloud to me because I am
- 8 illiterate.
- 9 Q. And does the content reflect what you told the investigators
- 10 at Dambang Daek?
- 11 A. Yes, it is.
- 12 Q. Thank you.
- 13 And pursuant to Rule 91bis of the ECCC Internal Rules, the
- 14 Chamber will give the floor first to the Co-Prosecutors, and the
- 15 combined time for the Co-Prosecutors and the Lead Co-Lawyers is
- 16 two sessions.
- 17 You may proceed, Co-Prosecutor.
- 18 [10.22.58]
- 19 QUESTIONING BY MR. LYSAK:
- 20 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 21 Q. Good morning, Mr. Witness. My name is Dale Lysak. I'm from the
- 22 Office of the Co-Prosecutors, and I'll be asking you some
- 23 questions this morning.
- 24 I wanted to start with some questions about your background. In
- 25 answer number 1 of your OCIJ interview, document E319/19.3.95, in

- 1 the first answer, you stated that you lived in Peam Chi Kang
- 2 village in 1976.
- 3 My question: where did you live and what did you do before that
- 4 -- that is, from 1975 to 1976?
- 5 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 6 A. I worked in the rice field and climbed palm trees at the time.
- 7 [10.24.15]
- 8 Q. My question was focused on where you lived in, let's say, 17
- 9 April 1975 when the Khmer Rouge took power in this country.
- 10 Were you living in Peam Chi Kang at that time, or were you living
- 11 somewhere else in April 1975?
- 12 A. It was in Sambuor Meas Ka, which is -- which was located in
- 13 Peam Chi Kang commune, Peam Chi Kang district.
- 14 Q. You've indicated this morning that you were born in Kampong
- 15 Siem district. When did you move from Kampong Siem to Peam Chi
- 16 Kang commune in Kang Meas district?
- 17 A. It was in Kang Ta Noeng, which was part of Kang Ta Noeng
- 18 commune, Kang Meas district. And while I was young, I was in Peam
- 19 Chi Kang.
- 20 [10.25.41]
- 21 Q. Do you remember what year it was that the Khmer Rouge took
- 22 control of Peam Chi Kang commune?
- 23 A. I cannot recall that.
- 24 Q. And you also stated in answer number 1 that you lived in Peam
- 25 Chi Kang, you indicated, from 1976 to 1978. First, just so we're

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- 1 clear, am I correct that you had been living in Peam Chi Kang
- 2 commune for a number of years before 1976, that you had lived in
- 3 that commune since you were young? Is that correct?
- 4 A. While I was young, I lived there for three years.
- 5 Q. You indicate in the same answer that, in 1978, you were sent
- 6 to Tuek Chha. Where was Tuek Chha, and why were you sent there in
- 7 1978?
- 8 A. The correct pronunciation is Tuek Chha. I was relocated to
- 9 Tuek Chha.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 National Co-Prosecutor, please, can you verify with your
- 12 colleague because the output in English and the Khmer is rather
- 13 different?
- 14 [10.28.17]
- 15 MS. SONG CHORVOIN:
- 16 Mr. President, what is pronounced by the witness is correct, and
- 17 it is consistent with his written record of interview.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you. And the correct pronunciation is Tuek Chha.
- 20 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 21 Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President.
- 22 Q. Tuek Chha. What district and commune was it located?
- 23 MR. SAY OEUN:
- 24 A. It was in Prey Chhor district.
- 25 [10.28.56]

- 1 Q. Before I move on to my next subject, what -- why was it that
- 2 you were sent to Tuek Chha in 1978?
- 3 A. The poor people were sent there so that we could gain the land
- 4 there, and we were relocated there to live in a cooperative.
- 5 Q. Do you remember when it was in 1978 that you were relocated
- 6 from Peam Chi Kang to Tuek Chha?
- 7 How long was it before the end of the Khmer Rouge regime; do you
- 8 remember?
- 9 A. I went to live there for three months. Then I relocated myself
- 10 to live in the Thmei Kraom village since I got malaria while I
- 11 was living there.
- 12 Q. All right. I'd like to ask you some questions now about the
- 13 events following the arrival of the cadres from the Southwest in
- 14 your district, Kang Meas.
- 15 Can you describe for the Court what you remember about the
- 16 arrival of Southwest cadres in Kang Meas district and what
- 17 happened to the local cadres when the Southwest group arrived?
- 18 A. I cannot recall it. I forget it all.
- 19 [10.31.34]
- 20 Q. Were any of the former cadres in Kang Meas district or Peam
- 21 Chi Kang commune -- were they arrested when the Southwest group
- 22 arrived?
- 23 A. Some of them were arrested.
- Q. Who was arrested, to the best of your memory?
- 25 A. I cannot recall their names.

- 1 Q. Do you remember when it was, what year that the cadres from
- 2 the Southwest Zone arrived in your area?
- 3 A. It was in mid-1978.
- 4 [10.32.55]
- 5 Q. Let me read to you an excerpt from your OCIJ interview, Mr.
- 6 Witness, and ask you to clarify. This is your interview,
- 7 E319/19.3.95, answer number 30. You stated -- quote: "The
- 8 Southwest group arrived in Peam Chi Kang in early 1977." End of
- 9 quote.
- 10 Does that refresh your recollection, Mr. Witness? Was it early
- 11 1977 when the Southwest group arrived, or was it later?
- 12 A. It was late 1977, early 1978.
- 13 O. Do you remember who the Kang Meas district chief was before
- 14 the Southwest group arrived, and was he one of the people who was
- 15 arrested at that time?
- 16 A. I do not know.
- 17 Q. I'm going to try to refresh your memory on this, Mr. Witness.
- 18 As you can't read, I will read from an S-21 record that records
- 19 arrests of some cadres from Kang Meas district.
- 20 This is document E3/3861, E3/3861, an S-21 document titled "List
- of prisoners smashed on 8 July 1977, North Zone".
- 22 This document, Mr. Witness, identifies 173 prisoners from the old
- 23 North Zone who were killed at S-21 that day. Number 35 on this
- 24 list is Chuon Ol alias Meas, secretary of Kang Meas district, who
- 25 entered S-21 on 26 February 1977.

- 1 Does that refresh your memory? Do you remember a cadre named Meas
- 2 who was the chief of Kang Meas district before the Southwest
- 3 group arrived?
- 4 [10.36.11]
- 5 A. When they came, they arrested Meas, who was the district
- 6 chief. And I heard about this arrest.
- 7 Q. How did you hear about that arrest? Who told you?
- 8 A. Yes, I just remembered this.
- 9 O. The document from S-21 records that Meas, the Kang Meas
- 10 secretary, the district chief, was arrested and entered S-21 on
- 11 the 26th of February 1977.
- 12 Does that refresh your memory, Mr. Witness? Is it possible that
- 13 it was not early '78 but, rather, early 1977, and specifically
- 14 February 1977, when the cadres from the Southwest arrived and the
- 15 old district chief, Meas, was arrested?
- 16 Could it have been February 1977 when this happened, Mr. Witness?
- 17 A. I do not know about this.
- 18 [10.37.54]
- 19 Q. Who were the new cadres from the Southwest who took over as
- 20 the Kang Meas district chief and as Peam Chi Kang commune chief?
- 21 A. It was Kan.
- 22 Q. And what position did Kan take?
- 23 A. He was the district chief.
- 24 Q. And who was the cadre or who became the chief of Peam Chi Kang
- 25 commune after the Southwest group arrived?

- 1 A. Pheap, who was the wife of the district committee, became the
- 2 new commune chief.
- 3 Q. And before Pheap became commune chief, was there a person
- 4 named Kan who served for a period as commune chief?
- 5 A. Kan was replaced to Reay Pay.
- 6 [10.39.38]
- 7 Q. And was it at the time that Kan was replaced that Pheap became
- 8 the commune chief? Do I understand correctly?
- 9 A. When Kan was replaced to Reay Pay and then the new person came
- 10 to take his position.
- 11 Q. Mr. Witness, can you describe for us a little how things
- 12 changed in your commune or your district after the arrival of the
- 13 Southwest cadres?
- 14 A. What had happened was that there were arrests. They arrested
- 15 people.
- 16 Q. What type of people were arrested after the Southwest cadres
- 17 arrived?
- 18 A. The New People were arrested, and also the Cham.
- 19 [10.41.30]
- 20 Q. We'll come back and talk about those arrests a little later.
- 21 Kan, the Southwest cadre who took over as district chief, how
- 22 often did you see him and can you tell us what kind of person or
- 23 what kind of leader Kan was?
- 24 A. I cannot recall it. I have poor memory.
- 25 Q. Let me read to you, Mr. Witness, a statement you made in your

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- 1 OCIJ interview. This is, again, E319/19.3.95, at answer number
- 2 16, you gave the following testimony:
- 3 Question: "Did you see Kan regularly, or what?
- 4 Answer: "Yes, I saw him regularly because the commune and
- 5 district offices were near each other, so I saw him almost every
- 6 day. Kan was a cruel man, but his wife, Pheap, was better than
- 7 him." End of quote.
- 8 Why did you tell OCIJ -- why did you say that Kan was a cruel
- 9 man?
- 10 A. He was a cruel man. His wife was good.
- 11 Q. What did Kan do that made you believe he was a cruel man?
- 12 A. He scolded people in the village and the commune.
- 13 [10.44.03]
- 14 Q. You said in your OCIJ interview that you saw Kan very
- 15 regularly, you said, in fact, almost every day. Where was it that
- 16 you would see Kan? Why did you see him so often?
- 17 A. I was based near him and I saw him walk around.
- 18 Q. Did you ever attend any meetings that were led by district
- 19 chief Kan?
- 20 A. I never attended any meeting with him.
- 21 Q. I want to ask you about a statement that was given by a person
- 22 who worked in the Peam Chi Kang militia, Samrit Muy. This is in
- 23 document -- his OCIJ interview, E3/9346 at Khmer ERN 00235016;
- 24 English, 00235508; French, 00283948. And this is what this
- 25 witness testified -- quote:

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- 1 "In early 1977, they held a meeting at the Peam stadium. All the
- 2 villagers had to attend. The secretary committee sector -- I'm
- 3 sorry, the sector committee secretary, An, and the district
- 4 committee secretary, Kan, convened the meeting and told us to
- 5 work hard for Angkar. Then they said that there were enemies
- 6 among the people. After the meeting, the arrests accelerated both
- 7 night and day." End of quote.
- 8 [10.46.48]
- 9 Mr. Witness, does that refresh your memory? Do you remember a
- 10 meeting held at Peam stadium that was presided over by Kan and
- 11 the sector secretary?
- 12 A. I do not know about this.
- 13 O. Who, Mr. Witness -- who was it that served as district
- 14 security chief after the arrival of these Southwest cadres?
- 15 A. I do not know that person.
- 16 Q. Do you remember a person named Horn who served as the chief of
- 17 both the Wat Au Trakuon office and was the district security
- 18 chairman?
- 19 Do you remember Horn?
- 20 A. No, I cannot remember.
- 21 [10.48.20]
- 22 Q. Let me read to you another excerpt from your OCIJ interview.
- 23 This is document E319/19.3.95, answer number 5:
- 24 Question: "Who was in charge of Kang Meas district security?"
- 25 Answer: "I do not remember his name. I only recognize his face.

- 1 His office was located in Wat Au Trakuon pagoda." End of quote.
- 2 Is it correct that, while you don't remember the name of this
- 3 person, you knew the district security chief back in those years
- 4 and saw him at the Wat Au Trakuon pagoda?
- 5 A. Yes, I saw in the pagoda, but I did not know him -- but I did
- 6 not know his name.
- 7 [10.49.40]
- 8 Q. Mr. Witness, after the arrival of the Southwest cadres, were
- 9 you assigned to work in a commune militia group that was known as
- 10 the Long Sword Unit?
- 11 A. Yes, I spent two months in the Long Sword Unit.
- 12 Q. Who was it that assigned you to work in the Long Sword Unit?
- 13 A. It was Pheap.
- 14 Q. And how did Pheap know you at the time she assigned you to the
- 15 Long Sword Unit?
- 16 A. Pheap was living near my house, so she knew me.
- 17 Q. And where was your house? Where was that located? What
- 18 village?
- 19 A. In Kor village.
- 20 Q. How long was it after the arrival of Kan and Pheap that you
- 21 were assigned to work in the Long Sword Unit? How many months, if
- 22 you remember?
- 23 A. After they arrived for about one year, and then I was assigned
- 24 to that task.
- 25 Q. Did the Long Sword Unit exist before the arrival of the

- 1 Southwest cadres in Kang Meas, or was it only created or
- 2 established after their arrival?
- 3 A. Only after the arrival of the Southwest group that this unit
- 4 was established.
- 5 [10.52.35]
- 6 Q. And what did the Long Sword Group do? What were the functions
- 7 or tasks of that group?
- 8 A. They were tasked to patrol the paddy field and patrol the
- 9 villages.
- 10 Q. And what -- specifically, what was the Long Sword Unit
- 11 expected to do when it patrolled the villages?
- 12 A. We patrolled the paddy field to make sure that rice will not
- 13 be stolen, and our unit members were assigned into groups to
- 14 patrol.
- 15 Q. And when you were assigned to patrol villages, what were you
- 16 asked to do?
- 17 A. I was assigned to be the village chief.
- 18 [10.54.28]
- 19 Q. I'm going to ask you to clarify that because I'm not sure
- 20 whether the translation I got, if I understood correctly.
- 21 Did you say that you were asked to be village chief, or did I
- 22 misunderstand your answer?
- 23 A. After I stopped working as a militiaman for the Long Sword
- 24 Unit, and then two months later, I was assigned to be village
- 25 chief.

- 1 Q. What village were you assigned to be a chief of?
- 2 A. Andoung Sar (phonetic) village.
- 3 Q. And what commune was that village in?
- 4 A. Sambuor Meas commune.
- 5 Q. Was that the same as Peam Chi Kang commune? Was this the same
- 6 commune that you had been living and working in?
- 7 A. Yes, it was the same commune.
- 8 Q. And who appointed -- who assigned you to be village chief?
- 9 A. It was Pheap.
- 10 [10.56.34]
- 11 Q. And am I correct that Pheap, at the time, was the commune
- 12 chief?
- 13 A. Pheap was the commune committee.
- 14 Q. Did Pheap tell you why she was appointing you to be a village
- 15 chief?
- 16 A. Because the old village chief were removed, so a new village
- 17 chief needed to be appointed.
- 18 Q. Why were the old village chiefs -- why was the old village
- 19 chief removed?
- 20 A. I do not know about this matter.
- 21 Q. I want to go back, for a moment, and focus on the period that
- 22 you were in the Long Sword Group before you became a village
- 23 chief. And you've testified that one of the functions was to
- 24 patrol the paddy fields to prevent rice from being stolen and you
- 25 indicated that another function of the Long Sword Group was to

- 1 patrol the villages; can you be more specific and tell us what,
- 2 exactly, you did when you were patrolling the villages?
- 3 A. I cannot recall what I did at that time; I only remember that
- 4 I walked in the village.
- 5 [10.58.44]
- 6 Q. Now, during the time you were in the Long Sword Group, was
- 7 there another commune militia unit in Peam Chi Kang that was
- 8 separate from the Long Sword Group?
- 9 A. I do not know about this.
- 10 Q. Who did the Long Sword Group report to; did you report to the
- 11 commune chief, to the district chief or to someone else?
- 12 A. I reported to the commune committee.
- 13 O. Do you remember who, in addition to Pheap, who you've
- 14 identified as the wife of district chief Kan, who else was on the
- 15 commune committee?
- 16 A. I cannot remember because it -- it's happened a long time ago
- 17 and now I have poor memory.
- 18 [11.00.28]
- 19 Q. Fair enough, Mr. Witness. Was the Long Sword Group involved in
- 20 arrests?
- 21 A. No, we did not make arrest.
- 22 Q. Mr. Witness, let me read to you a different answer that you
- 23 gave to this question in your OCIJ interview, answer 17 of
- 24 document E319/19.3.95. You were asked by the OCIJ investigator
- 25 whether you were involved in the arrests of people and this was

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- 1 your response quote:
- 2 "Yes, sometimes, we had to arrest people in the villages or
- 3 commune. The arrest orders were from the district to Kan" -- who
- 4 you had identified as the first chief of Peam Chi Kang commune
- 5 after the Southwest arrived -- "and Kan referred those orders to
- 6 me and other Long Sword Unit members to arrest people. The names
- 7 of those arrestees were written on the letters to us. We went to
- 8 the villages directly in order to conduct the arrests; then we
- 9 sent those arrestees to be detained in Wat Au Trakuon pagoda."
- 10 End of quote.
- 11 Were -- when you gave this testimony to OCIJ, Mr. Witness, were
- 12 you being truthful?
- 13 A. Yes, I was being truthful and I did not know about that.
- 14 [11.03.02]
- 15 O. And did the Long Sword Unit receive arrest orders from the
- 16 commune chief which the commune chief had received from the
- 17 district chief?
- 18 A. Yes, that's how it worked. It was from the district to the
- 19 commune and the commune down to the Long Sword Unit.
- 20 Q. And how did you know that the arrest orders had originated
- 21 with the district committee or district chief?
- 22 A. It was from the commune.
- 23 Q. Yes, I understand. You -- the Long Sword Unit received the
- 24 arrest orders from the commune, but you testified that the
- 25 commune had received those orders from the district; how did you

- 1 know that?
- 2 A. We were told by the commune that the orders came from the
- 3 district. They made that announcement to the Long Sword Unit.
- 4 [11.04.48]
- 5 Q. Now, you indicated that the names of people to be arrested
- 6 were sent to the Long Sword Group in letters. You could not read
- 7 yourself; who was it that would read these letters for you?
- 8 A. It was the members of the unit.
- 9 Q. And the letters that came, were they signed by someone or did
- 10 they bear the name of either the district or commune office; who
- 11 -- who did the -- who were these arrest orders signed by, if you
- 12 know?
- 13 A. It was Pheap.
- 14 Q. Who were the people that the Long Sword Unit was ordered to
- 15 arrest by the commune chief?
- 16 A. I forget it all.
- 17 Q. Do you remember the types of people -- the types of -- the
- 18 groups of people who were the subject of these arrest orders?
- 19 A. I cannot recall that.
- 20 [11.07.02]
- 21 Q. Let me refresh your memory again, Mr. Witness.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Witness, please hold on and Counsel Koppe, you have the floor.
- 24 MR. KOPPE:
- 25 Yes, Mr. President, an observation in relation to something that

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- 1 was said a little bit earlier. I waited for a while to rise, but
- 2 International Prosecutor asked, at one point, whether this
- 3 witness was involved in the arrests and he said, very clearly,
- 4 "No." And then answer 17 was read by the Prosecution and the
- 5 question was asked, at one point, "Were you truthful then giving
- 6 your testimony to the OCIJ?" And he answered, "Yes."
- 7 That means that he was untruthful before you -- just before that
- 8 and I'm not quite sure how to proceed, but if he was untruthful
- 9 once and truthful the next time or the other way around, then I
- 10 think we have a witness who is perjuring himself.
- 11 So I'm not quite sure what I'm requesting now, but at least we
- 12 should have you, I think, Mr. President, urging this witness not
- 13 to perjure himself.
- 14 [11.08.42]
- 15 MR. LYSAK:
- 16 Mr. President, I find these comments rather inappropriate.
- 17 Counsel will have his opportunity to examine this witness. This
- 18 is hardly the first witness who comes into this courtroom and has
- 19 some reluctance to talk about difficult matters in which he was
- 20 involved. This seemed to be an attempt to try to intimidate this
- 21 witness and I think it's inappropriate.
- 22 The witness has clarified and confirmed what he told OCIJ and
- 23 we're now proceeding to get some of the details of that, so I
- 24 request to be allowed to proceed with my questioning.
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

- 1 You can proceed.
- 2 As for the observation by Counsel Koppe, you should not use a
- 3 language to discredit a witness or to say a witness is perjuring
- 4 himself. It is up to the Bench to make that assessment. If you do
- 5 that, it means that you discourage the witness to testify before
- 6 the Chamber.
- 7 And Deputy International Co-Prosecutor, you can continue your
- 8 questioning of this witness.
- 9 [11.10.23]
- 10 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 12 Q. We were talking about the types of people that the Long Sword
- 13 Unit received orders to arrest. Earlier today, you identified New
- 14 People and Cham as people who were subject to arrests after the
- 15 arrival of the Southwest group.
- 16 In your OCIJ interview, E319/19.3.95, answer number 18, you gave
- 17 the following testimony: Question: "What kind of people did you
- 18 arrest at the time?"
- 19 Answer: "They were the New People, former Lon Nol soldiers, and
- 20 the Cham." End of quote.
- 21 Is it correct, Mr. Witness, that in addition to the New People
- 22 and Cham who you identified earlier, that you also received
- 23 orders to arrest former Lon Nol soldiers?
- 24 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 25 A. Former Lon Nol soldiers, as well as the New People, were

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- 1 arrested.
- 2 [11.11.51]
- 3 Q. How did the district or commune identify which people were
- 4 former Lon Nol soldiers?
- 5 A. I did not know how they carried out their research.
- 6 Q. The former Lon Nol soldiers that the Long Sword Unit was
- 7 ordered to arrest, were these all people who were former soldiers
- 8 or were they only people who had higher or held certain ranks in
- 9 the Lon Nol regime?
- 10 A. The commune sent them to the district security.
- 11 [11.13.09]
- 12 Q. I understand that, Mr. Witness. My question: Were the former
- 13 Lon Nol soldiers who were arrested, was it anyone who had served
- 14 as a soldier in that regime or was it only people who held --
- 15 held certain ranks -- who were higher-ranking people in the Lon
- 16 Nol military?
- 17 A. I did not know about the details.
- 18 Q. You identified three groups of people who were subject to
- 19 arrest: New People, former Lon Nol soldiers, and the Cham. Which
- 20 of those groups were most frequently arrested while you were in
- 21 the Long Sword Unit?
- 22 A. They were sent to the security often.
- 23 Q. My question is: Who was the people who were arrested when you
- 24 were in the Long Sword Unit; were they mostly Cham; were they
- 25 mostly Lon Nol soldiers; were they mostly New People or were

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- 1 there equal numbers from those three groups?
- 2 A. They were Cham.
- 3 [11.15.20]
- 4 Q. And where did the Long Sword Unit take the people who were
- 5 arrested; what was done with them after they were arrested?
- 6 A. They were sent to Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 7 Q. And what was Au Trakuon pagoda used for during the Khmer Rouge
- 8 period?
- 9 A. They were detained there at the security centre.
- 10 Q. Can you describe for the Court what happened when the Long
- 11 Sword Group -- when you would arrive at Wat Au Trakuon with the
- 12 people you had been instructed to arrest by the commune chief?
- 13 What happened when you would arrive with these people at Wat Au
- 14 Trakuon?
- 15 A. They came to receive those people at the road.
- 16 [11.16.47]
- 17 Q. And when you say, "They came to receive them," who -- who is
- 18 the they; who is it that came to receive the people who had been
- 19 arrested?
- 20 A. "They" belongs to the district security.
- 21 Q. Do you remember the names of any of these district security
- 22 cadres who had come to receive the prisoners from the Long Sword
- 23 Group?
- 24 A. I did not know their names, although I could identify their
- 25 faces.

- 1 Q. I want to read to you what you said in your OCIJ interview on
- the subject. This is answer 21 of E319/19.3.95, answer 21.
- 3 Question: "When you took the arrestees to Wat Au Trakuon pagoda,
- 4 did you enter the compound of the pagoda?"
- 5 Answer: "Yes. After we entered the pagoda gate, we handed over
- 6 those arrestees to the security quards and those security quards
- 7 recorded those arrestees' names in a thick notebook." End of
- 8 quote.
- 9 First, Mr. Witness, can you clarify for us, were there occasions
- 10 where you brought the arrested people through the pagoda gate and
- 11 they were received by the security guards there; is that correct?
- 12 [11.19.18]
- 13 A. I only reach the fence of the pagoda and I handed over the
- 14 people; I did not enter the compound.
- 15 Q. And was it at the fence of the pagoda where you saw security
- 16 quards recording names of the arrestees in a thick notebook?
- 17 A. Yes, they did it next to the fence.
- 18 Q. Can you describe for us, a little more, that notebook in which
- 19 names were recorded? For example, you said it was a thick
- 20 notebook; how thick was it?
- 21 A. It was about three fingers thick.
- 22 Q. I asked you earlier about the district security chief, who you
- 23 testified had his office at Wat Au Trakuon; did you see the
- 24 district security chief at Wat Au Trakuon on occasions where the
- 25 Long Sword Unit delivered prisoners there?

- 1 A. I only saw his subordinates. They were working inside the
- 2 compound.
- 3 [11.21.36]
- 4 Q. How did you know that the district security chief had his
- 5 office at Wat Au Trakuon?
- 6 A. He had his deputy who, actually, was in possession of that
- 7 notebook.
- 8 Q. Do you remember the name of that deputy?
- 9 A. No, I did not and he was from another location, so I did not
- 10 know him.
- 11 Q. Do you know whether there were any members of the Long Sword
- 12 Unit who worked at the Wat Au Trakuon security office?
- 13 A. No, there was none.
- 14 Q. The reason I ask you is we just heard from a witness who, in
- 15 1978, worked as an aide or guard to the district security chief
- 16 and he testified that there were some Long Sword members who
- 17 worked at Au Trakuon. Are you certain that no members of your
- 18 unit worked there; were there any periods of time where they may
- 19 have been temporarily assigned to assist at Wat Au Trakuon?
- 20 A. I cannot recall that. I forget it all.
- 21 [11.24.05]
- 22 Q. The witness I was just referring to who testified before you
- 23 was named Muy Vanny and he worked as an aide or guard for the
- 24 district security chief. Did you know him and did you see -- ever
- 25 see Muy Vanny at Wat Au Trakuon?

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- 1 A. No, I did not meet him.
- 2 Q. Did you know a person named Moeurn who worked as a security
- 3 quard at Wat Au Trakuon?
- 4 A. I only heard of that name and I cannot recall who he was. My
- 5 memory doesn't serve me well now.
- 6 Q. What do you remember about Moeun?
- 7 A. I cannot recall anything about him.
- 8 [11.25.42]
- 9 O. In relation to arrests, were all members of the Long Sword
- 10 Unit assigned, at times, to conduct arrests or was it only a
- 11 specific part of the Long Sword Group who was assigned by the
- 12 commune chief to conduct arrests?
- 13 A. All the members were assigned to do that.
- 14 Q. And did the Long Sword Unit only conduct arrests of people in
- 15 Peam Chi Kang commune or did you receive orders to conduct
- 16 arrests in other communes in Kang Meas district?
- 17 A. People were only arrested within that commune.
- 18 Q. Where was the Long Sword Unit based; did you have an office
- 19 and if so, where was it located?
- 20 A. It was with the commune office.
- 21 O. And where was the commune office located?
- 22 A. It was located in Sambuor Meas Ka.
- 23 Q. How many members were there in the Long Sword Unit?
- 24 A. There were 14.
- 25 [11.28.11]

- 1 Q. And were all 14 members given weapons and if so, what were
- 2 those weapons?
- 3 A. We all were armed with swords.
- 4 Q. Can you describe, for us, the swords that were given to the
- 5 members of your unit?
- 6 A. In fact, the swords were taken from houses and then we were
- 7 given a sword each.
- 8 Q. You said that there were 14 people in the Long Sword Group;
- 9 who were the other persons who worked in that group when you were
- 10 part of it?
- 11 A. I cannot recall them.
- 12 Q. Let me see if I can refresh your memory, Mr. Witness. There've
- 13 been a number of other members of the Long Sword Unit who have
- 14 been interviewed by OCIJ. I'd like to now ask you about some of
- 15 those people.
- 16 With your leave, Mr. President, I'd like to provide a WRI to the
- 17 witness or, I guess in this case, to his counsel. This is
- 18 document E319/19.3.226. Let me repeat that, E319/19.3.226. I
- 19 won't say the name of this witness and I don't want him to do
- 20 that either, but I would request to provide it to him to see if
- 21 he knows and can identify whether this person was part of the
- 22 Long Sword Group.
- 23 [11.30.55]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 The Chamber now hands the floor to the defence counsel. You may

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- 1 proceed.
- 2 MS. GUISSE:
- 3 Yes, Mr. President, I object to the use of this document pending
- 4 the Chamber's decision. This is part of the list of the new
- 5 documents corresponding to the 87.4 motion that was entered by
- 6 the Co-Prosecutors on the 27th of September last and we answered
- 7 this request orally in the Chamber and the Chamber has not ruled
- 8 upon this. So pending the decision of the Chamber, we object to
- 9 the use of this document.
- 10 Maybe for more clarification, this document was the object of
- 11 87.4 motion E79.3.2 (sic).
- 12 [11.31.50]
- 13 MR. LYSAK:
- 14 If I may respond, Mr. President, we filed our 87 motion to admit
- 15 this and others on the 25th of September 2015. I believe, on the
- 16 past practice, we filed this motion a long time ago. Pending the
- 17 Court's decision, we should be allowed to proceed with it so we
- 18 don't have to bring back this witness and the Court will
- 19 subsequently determine what use to make of this interview. But
- 20 this is a fellow member of the Long Sword Group and it would be
- 21 extremely inefficient for us not to make use of this evidence at
- 22 this time.
- 23 JUDGE FENZ:
- 24 May I perhaps ask a question? I think it was the Court's
- 25 practice, in these cases, in case nobody objected -- now, I know

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- 1 you did object, but to allow the use in order to avoid this.
- 2 So my question to you is obviously: is the objection based on --
- 3 on a -- just on the procedure hasn't been honoured or is it based
- 4 on, we don't want this document because?
- 5 [11.33.12]
- 6 MS. GUISSE:
- 7 We objected to the tendering into evidence of this document and
- 8 we addressed -- we responded to the Co-Prosecutor's 87.4 motion,
- 9 so we're objecting to the tendering into evidence of this
- 10 document and our -- and we maintain our position and because we
- 11 maintain our -- we stand by our position, we object to the
- 12 tendering into evidence of this document.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Judge Lavergne, you have the floor.
- 15 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 16 Maybe to be a bit clear about this and to refresh our memories
- 17 because this date backs a while, was your objection based on the
- 18 fact that the documents that were disclosed were too voluminous
- 19 or are there specific reasons leading you to object to the
- 20 admissibility because we don't really use the word "tendering
- 21 into evidence"; we would like to focus more on the idea of
- 22 admissibility?
- 23 [11.34.14]
- 24 MS. GUISSE:
- 25 Well, here admissibility has a meaning because we're speaking

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- 1 about documents coming from another investigation. We objected to
- 2 this because these documents came from another investigation and
- 3 we're speaking here about a written testimony instead of an oral
- 4 testimony regarding WRIs coming from 003 and 004 and I think we
- 5 explained quite clearly why we objected to this. It's not only
- 6 because they -- the documents were voluminous, but it was because
- 7 there were problems of substance. But to be perfectly clear about
- 8 this, I think that we addressed certain number of your arguments
- 9 that are the same.
- 10 In any case, I haven't heard any decision from the Chamber
- 11 regarding this motion, so I stand by my objection.
- 12 [11.35.08]
- 13 MR. LYSAK:
- 14 Mr. President, if I may just add, the answer to Judge Fenz's
- 15 question, the annex in which a number of new Cham interviews was
- 16 -- it was 25 interviews; that was the total numbers our annex,
- 17 Annex I and at least while I -- I think that it would be
- 18 extremely inefficient not to use this interview in its entirety;
- 19 the Court can determine later what use it will make of it.
- 20 But at the moment, all I'm trying to do is find a way to put the
- 21 name of this person before the witness. At a minimal, we should
- 22 be allowed to show him the name, since we can't say it aloud, to
- 23 see if he knows this person and can confirm whether he was one of
- 24 the members of the Long Sword Group.
- 25 [11.36.04]

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- 1 MS. GUISSE:
- 2 Well, if the idea is only to refer to the name, then I could say
- 3 to the Co-Prosecutor that it's not necessary to use this
- 4 document, but if the Chamber wishes to allow the use of the
- 5 documents on the basis of this only reason, which is to say to
- 6 confront the witness with names; well, then it should be noted
- 7 that this does not change our position because we know that in
- 8 practice that when a document is used in the courtroom, the
- 9 Chamber automatically considers that this document has been
- 10 tendered into evidence.
- 11 If the only objective here is to list a certain number of names
- 12 and it's -- and that is the simple idea and if the Chamber
- 13 authorizes the Co-Prosecutor to use this document on that basis,
- 14 well, the Khieu Samphan defence doesn't think that this should be
- 15 something supporting the tendering into evidence of this
- 16 document. It's simply so that if you authorize the use of this
- 17 document, it shouldn't mean that the Khieu Samphan defence has
- 18 accepted the use of this document in a generic way, but has
- 19 accepted it only for the use of the names which, as far as I
- 20 understand it, could also be written down on a sheet of paper and
- 21 presented to the witness otherwise.
- 22 [11.37.44]
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Thank you for all the statements and concerns regarding this
- 25 document. So far, the Chamber hasn't ruled on the -- accepting

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- 1 these document, either orally or in writing; however, the request
- 2 by the Deputy Co-Prosecutor is for the use of the names mentioned
- 3 in that document and for that reason, the Chamber grant the
- 4 Deputy Co-Prosecutor request to do so.
- 5 And Duty Counsel, you may read the names to your client, quietly,
- 6 and ask him whether he know those people.
- 7 [11.38.33]
- 8 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President. First, I'd start with the witness
- 10 himself, whose name and biographical information appear on the
- 11 second page.
- 12 Q. Did you know this -- without saying his name, did you know
- 13 this person and was he part of the Long Sword Group with you?
- 14 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 15 A. Yes, I know this person named Meng Ly.
- 16 [11.39.25]
- 17 Q. Again, please do not say the full -- the full name of this
- 18 individual. Was this someone who worked in the Long Sword Group
- 19 at the same time as you?
- 20 A. No, I only knew him, but I did not work with him.
- 21 Q. And if counsel could refer you to answer number 1, there are
- 22 three names of people that appear towards the end of that answer.
- 23 Excuse me; they appear in the middle of answer 1. I believe I can
- 24 read the names of these people, but Heng Pa, Yoeun, and Tay
- 25 Koemhun.

- 1 Did you know any of these three people? They are identified as
- 2 being members of the Long Sword Group; do you remember Heng Pa,
- 3 Yoeun, and Tay Koemhun?
- 4 A. Yes, I do.
- 5 [11.40.53]
- 6 Q. And were those individuals a part of the Long Sword Group?
- 7 A. They belong to the later group of the Long Sword.
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Thank you, Deputy Co-Prosecutor. The time is appropriate for our
- 10 lunch break. We take a break now and resumed at 1.30 this
- 11 afternoon.
- 12 Court officer, please assist the witness at the waiting rooms
- 13 reserved for witnesses and civil parties during the lunch break
- 14 and invite him, as well as his duty counsel, back into the
- 15 courtroom at 1.30 this afternoon.
- 16 Security personnel, you're instructed to take Khieu Samphan to
- 17 the waiting room downstairs and have him returned to attend the
- 18 proceedings this afternoon at 1.30.
- 19 The Court is now in recess.
- 20 (Court recesses from 1142H to 1334H)
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Please be seated. The Chamber is now back in session.
- 23 Now, the floor is given to the Co-Prosecutors to put more
- 24 questions to the witness. You may now proceed.
- 25 [13.35.15]

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- 1 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President.
- Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Witness. We were talking about the people 3
- who were other members in the Long Sword Group with you. I would 4
- like to ask you at this point, what was your position in the Long 5
- Sword Group? 6
- 7 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- A. I was responsible for patrolling the paddy fields and the 8
- 9 villages.
- 10 Q. Mr. Witness, there are two other members of the Long Sword
- 11 Group who have given some evidence about your position and
- 12 indicated that at some point you were a chairman or a group
- chairman in the Long Sword Group; specifically, Tay Koemhun who 13
- has testified at this trial in his OCIJ interview E3/5257, Khmer 14
- ERN, 00243105; English, 00251018; French, 00342670; gave the 15
- 16 following testimony:
- 17 Question: "Who was your direct superior in the militia?"
- 18 Answer: "Doeun."
- 19 [13.37.13]
- The witness whose statement I provided to you this morning, Mr. 20
- 21 President, has also made a statement about this witness and I
- 22 think it would be appropriate for this witness also to be -- have
- 23 an opportunity to respond to that. So with your leave, I would
- 24 also like to ask about answers 4 and 6 in that interview at
- 25 E319/19.3.226.

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- 1 (Judges deliberate)
- 2 [13.38.49]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 The floor is given to Judge Lavergne.
- 5 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 6 Yes, Co-Prosecutor, could you first remind us of the references
- 7 of the document that you would like to use; that is to say, the
- 8 WRI of the witness that you intend to use, and can you also tell
- 9 me that if among the other documents that are on the list or on
- 10 the interface, I don't really remember the name, but the list of
- 11 the interface, are there other documents that you intend to use
- 12 in the examination of this witness which the Chamber has not yet
- 13 ruled upon?
- 14 MR. LYSAK:
- 15 Let me answer your last question first. This is the only document
- 16 that is part of that pending Rule 87.4 motion that I intend to
- 17 use with my time. And that document is the same one that was
- 18 given to the witness just before lunch. So it is E319/19.3.226
- 19 and specifically answers number 4 and 6 of that interview.
- 20 I also note, looking at the interface today, that the Nuon Chea
- 21 Defence has also listed that document to be used today and I
- 22 think they would -- if I don't ask this question, I think he
- 23 would want to ask this question too. I see him nodding.
- 24 But I think that the objections of the Khieu Samphan Defence to
- 25 this are primarily procedural. Whatever the Court ultimately

- 1 rules on this, I think it's appropriate at this time for this
- 2 witness to respond.
- 3 (Judges deliberate)
- 4 [13.45.24]
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 The Chambers gives the floor to Judge Lavergne to rule on a
- 7 document that the International Co-Prosecutor wish to use to ask
- 8 the witness among the various documents he put in September 2015.
- 9 So Judge Lavergne, the floor is yours.
- 10 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 11 Yes, thank you, Mr. President.
- 12 Well, during the lunch break the Chamber checked and, indeed, the
- 13 request that was filed in September, regarding the request to
- 14 have a certain number of documents admitted in September, is
- 15 still pending. However, this decision is going to be ruled upon
- 16 very soon. So for this reason and in order to avoid delaying the
- 17 examination of this witness, the Chambers decides to admit the
- 18 written record of interview, E319/19.3.206, unless it's -- is it
- 19 206 or 226?
- 20 [13.46.58]
- 21 MR. LYSAK:
- 22 Two-two-six.
- 23 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 24 So, 226, therefore; and the grounds for this decision will be
- 25 forwarded to you in due course.

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 The floor is now given to Counsel for Khieu Samphan.
- 3 [13.47.28]
- 4 MS. GUISSE:
- 5 Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I would like to reassure you that
- 6 I am not going to comment on the decision, but simply to
- 7 backtrack a little bit before the Co-Prosecutor continues with
- 8 the document that has just been ruled upon.
- 9 Regarding the previous question, I am sorry that I wasn't able to
- 10 rise before but I needed to check this particular point I am
- 11 going to present now.
- 12 So the Co-Prosecutor was speaking about a WRI by Tay Koemhun. It
- 13 was a written statement that was taken by the investigators. But
- 14 this witness already testified before the Chamber and provided a
- 15 different version of the events or, in any case, of his supposed
- 16 knowledge of this current witness. So I think that quoting the
- 17 written statement of the witness without referring to his
- 18 statement before the Chamber on the 16th of September 2015, in
- 19 document E1/348.1 -- this was a little bit before 11.08 in the
- 20 morning and 40 seconds and, in fact, yes, indeed, he was
- 21 confronted with the portion that the Co-Prosecutor mentioned
- 22 regarding his knowledge of Doeun.
- 23 And this is what Tay Koemhun answered, "I heard people speak
- 24 about Doeun, but I do not know and I wouldn't be able, I'm sorry,
- 25 to recognize him. I don't know what he looked like."

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- 1 So the question that was put to him afterwards was the following,
- 2 "Was he your superior?" And his answer was the following, "No, my
- 3 superior was someone else. In fact, I was alone at that
- 4 warehouse, and with regard to Ta Doeun I heard about him and he
- 5 was elsewhere." End of quote.
- 6 [13.49.25]
- 7 So my objection a posteriori, and I am sorry about this, well it
- 8 is to say that if we have to submit these statements of a witness
- 9 to the current witness here, well, in order to be fair I think we
- 10 should also submit to him the statements of the other witness
- 11 before the Chamber especially since the Chamber heard this
- 12 witness. And, therefore, his statement is important in any case
- 13 for the confrontation and it has more value with regard to what
- 14 the witness said because he said this before the Judges. So this
- 15 is my objection.
- 16 So the question that is put by the Co-Prosecutor is valid insofar
- 17 that he also refers to a contrary statement that was made before
- 18 the Chamber by that witness.
- 19 [13.50.24]
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 The issue is that this is the debate and -- and if there is any
- 22 contradictory statement between his current testimony and his
- 23 previous statement, then defence team should use their time to
- 24 clarify that. As on the weight and value of the statement and the
- 25 testimony, it is the Chamber's discretion to make that

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- 1 assessment.
- 2 Deputy Co-Prosecutor, you may continue.
- 3 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 4 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 5 Q. Mr. Witness, as I indicated, I want to give you a chance to
- 6 respond to some -- these two witness statements that talk about
- 7 you. In E319/19.3.226 a witness who indicates he was part of the
- 8 Long Sword Group gave the following testimony in answers 4 and 6
- 9 of that interview.
- 10 Question, "Do you remember the names of the people in the Long
- 11 Sword Group?"
- 12 Answer, "Yes, I remember some, including Doeun who was the group
- 13 chairman. Presently, he is living -- probably living in Kampong
- 14 Siem district. His deputy, An, went to live in Kaoh Touch
- 15 village. Another member" -- correct that -- "deputy An went to
- 16 work -- went to live in Kaoh Touch village. Another member was
- 17 Chay who is presently living in Chamkar Leu."
- 18 And continuing in answer 6: "My direct chairman was Doeun and, as
- 19 far as I knew, Doeun received orders from commune chairperson,
- 20 Kan, who later was replaced by Pheap, the wife of district
- 21 committee Kan." End of quote.
- 22 Mr. Witness, was there a period in which you served as a group
- 23 chairman of the Long Sword Unit?
- 24 [13.53.14]
- 25 MR. SAY DOEUN:

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- 1 (No interpretation)
- 2 THE INTERPRETER KHMER-ENGLISH:
- 3 The interpreter cannot hear what the witness said.
- 4 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 5 Q. Mr. Witness, can you repeat your answer? The interpreter
- 6 wasn't able to hear you.
- 7 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 8 A. Yes, I was -- I was the chairman.
- 9 Q. And was your deputy a person named An?
- 10 A. Yes, An was my deputy.
- 11 Q. And what about the individual identified as Chay? Did you know
- 12 a person name Chay who was -- Chay who was in the Long Sword
- 13 Group with you?
- 14 A. Yes, he was with me.
- 15 [13.54.52]
- 16 Q. What about Tay Koemhun? What was his position in the Long
- 17 Sword Group?
- 18 A. I did not know about him.
- 19 Q. You testified earlier today that one of the three groups of
- 20 people that the Long Sword unit was ordered to arrest were Cham
- 21 people. When orders were received to arrest Cham, were you
- 22 ordered to arrest entire families of Cham or were you only
- 23 ordered to arrest specific individuals who were accused of some
- 24 wrongdoing?
- 25 A. I forget all about this.

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- 1 Q. I understand, Mr. Witness, this is difficult to talk about.
- 2 Let me read to you another excerpt from your OCIJ interview,
- 3 E319/19.3.95, answer 34 of your interview, quote. You stated, I
- 4 quote,
- 5 "For Lon Nol soldiers and New People, only men were arrested. As
- 6 for the Cham people, men, women and children were arrested." End
- 7 of quote.
- 8 Why were entire families arrested in the case of the Cham, but
- 9 only individuals arrested in the case of New People or former Lon
- 10 Nol soldiers?
- 11 [13.57.15]
- 12 A. I did not know the reason behind their plan. I simply followed
- 13 the order to make arrest.
- 14 Q. And when you received orders to arrest the Cham, was the Long
- 15 Sword Unit ordered to arrest entire families -- that is, men,
- 16 women and children?
- 17 A. Yes, we arrested both parents and their children.
- 18 Q. And who was it that ordered the Long Sword Unit to arrest both
- 19 the parents and children?
- 20 A. The commune chief gave the order.
- 21 Q. Did the commune chief say anything about why the Long Sword
- 22 Unit was being ordered to arrest both the parents and children in
- 23 the case of the Cham people?
- 24 A. He told us that the order came from the upper echelon.
- 25 [13.59.02]

- 1 Q. What was the upper echelon?
- 2 A. I did not know. It was simply what I heard from him.
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Witness, please hold on.
- 5 The floor is now given to defence counsel, Mr. Koppe.
- 6 MR. KOPPE:
- 7 No objection, just a clarification because I hear the translation
- 8 speak of "he" and "him". I know in Khmer it's difficult to
- 9 determine, but I presume the witness is talking about "she" and
- 10 "her" and referring to a female.
- 11 [13.59.57]
- 12 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 13 Let me clarify. That was going to be my next question.
- 14 Q. The person who told you that the order came from the upper
- 15 echelon was this Pheap, Kan's wife who was commune chief for a
- 16 period, or was this some other person?
- 17 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 18 A. Yes, it was Pheap who told us about that.
- 19 Q. And Mr. Witness, to your knowledge were there any Cham people
- 20 left in Peam Chi Kang commune by the end of the Khmer Rouge
- 21 regime?
- 22 A. No, there was none.
- 23 Q. We have heard so far in this trial from a number of witnesses
- 24 from your district who have similarly testified that all the Cham
- 25 were arrested and killed after the arrival of the Southwest

- 1 cadres and that only one couple from Sach Sou village was able to
- 2 survive. These witnesses have described and one in particular
- 3 from your commune, Sen Srun have described how on one day all the
- 4 remaining Cham in Peam Chi Kang commune, several hundred people
- 5 were arrested and taken to the gate at Wat Au Trakuon.
- 6 [14.02.09]
- 7 Your Honours, for the record, the reference to this testimony
- 8 from Sen Srun is E1/346.1 at 10.47.40 to 11.02.18.
- 9 Similarly, we also heard from a witness from the adjoining
- 10 commune, Angkor Ban commune, Seng Kuy who testified that he
- 11 helped transport all the Cham people from his village to Wat Au
- 12 Trakuon one night.
- 13 I wanted to ask you whether you remember a single day or a short
- 14 period of time in which many Cham people were gathered and sent
- 15 to Wat Au Trakuon in your commune, Peam Chi Kang commune.
- 16 [14.03.13]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Witness, please wait. And Counsel Koppe, you have the floor.
- 19 MR. KOPPE:
- 20 I object to the way this question is phrased, Mr. President.
- 21 Obviously, we are in a potentially important part of this
- 22 witness' testimony. There is no reason why all of a sudden the
- 23 Prosecution should now feed him with information from other
- 24 witnesses, true or false, and instead of asking him open
- 25 questions first as to what he knows about the fate of the Cham

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- 1 after they were arrested, all of a sudden the Prosecution is
- 2 leaving the established practice of first asking open questions,
- 3 because we know that in his WRI he said something to the effect
- 4 that he has no knowledge whatsoever what happened to them after
- 5 their arrest. So feeding him this information in order to try to
- 6 persuade him to give an answer that is beneficial to the
- 7 Prosecution is a practice that should be disallowed.
- 8 [14.04.22]
- 9 MR. LYSAK:
- 10 If I may briefly respond, I think counsel misunderstands my
- 11 question. My question is about arrests, not about killings. I
- 12 have asked the witness open questions. We have had extensive
- 13 questions about arrests. I am nearing the end of my questions and
- 14 now I am giving him an opportunity to respond to some of the
- 15 specific evidence we've heard on the subject I have been asking
- 16 him about. So I think counsel misunderstands what I am asking the
- 17 witness. I have already asked many open questions on this
- 18 subject.
- 19 [14.04.53]
- 20 MR. KOPPE:
- 21 A very brief response. I did hear the word "killing" so I assumed
- 22 he speaks about mass arrests and killing. That word is now in the
- 23 mind of this witness.
- 24 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 25 If I may proceed to put the question to the witness, I think

- 1 counsel's concern will be dealt with.
- 2 O. My question to you is simply this, Mr. Witness. You've talked
- 3 about arrests of the Cham. My question is, do you remember a
- 4 period, either a day or a few days in which hundreds of Cham were
- 5 gathered in Peam Chi Kang commune and taken to Wat Au Trakuon?
- 6 [14.05.48]
- 7 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 8 A. No, I do not recall that.
- 9 O. Did you ever hear any reason, Mr. Witness, as to why the Long
- 10 Sword Unit was ordered to arrest Cham families and take them to
- 11 Wat Au Trakuon? Did you ever hear from the commune chief, the
- 12 district chief or any members of the Long Sword Unit the reason
- 13 for these arrests?
- 14 A. We were ordered to arrest those people and no reasons were
- 15 given to us.
- 16 Q. Earlier in this trial we heard from a witness from Angkor Ban
- 17 commune, Seng Kuy, at 10.17.48 of his testimony on the 10th of
- 18 September 2015, this is document E1/345.1, this witness testified
- 19 that when the Cham people were gathered and arrested in Angkor
- 20 Ban, the commune security chief named Run stated, and I quote,
- 21 "We will kill all the Cham people and we will not spare anyone."
- 22 End of quote. Did you ever hear, Mr. Witness, of a plan to kill
- 23 all the Cham people?
- 24 [14.07.50]
- 25 A. Yes, I heard of the plan that no Cham, no single Cham shall be

- 1 spared.
- 2 Q. And who did you hear about that -- who did you hear from about
- 3 this plan?
- 4 A. The commune told us about it.
- 5 Q. And what do you remember? What was it? When you say the
- 6 commune are you referring to the commune chief, Pheap?
- 7 A. Yes, it was Pheap, the commune committee.
- 8 Q. And what do you remember Pheap saying about this plan?
- 9 A. I cannot recall her words.
- 10 MR. LYSAK:
- 11 Mr. Witness, thank you for answering my questions. My colleague
- 12 has a few questions for you.
- 13 [14.09.24]
- 14 QUESTIONING BY MS. SONG CHORVOIN:
- 15 Good afternoon, Mr. President, Your Honours, and everyone in and
- 16 around the courtroom. My name is Song Chorvoin, Mr. Witness, and
- 17 I have a few additional questions to put to you.
- 18 Q. You responded to my international colleague on the arrest of
- 19 Cham people. My question to you is the following: While you were
- 20 in the Long Sword Unit, how many orders did you receive for the
- 21 arrest of the Cham people?
- 22 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 23 A. I made arrests of Cham people for one time only.
- 24 Q. So you yourself involved in the arrests of the Cham people
- once. Did you receive a verbal order or the order was in writing

- 1 for that arrest? I refer to the list of names of people to be
- 2 arrested.
- 3 A. It was a verbal order.
- 4 Q. Who gave you a verbal order for the arrest of those Cham
- 5 people?
- 6 A. It was the wife of the district committee.
- 7 [14.11.04]
- 8 Q. Are you referring to Pheap?
- 9 A. Yes, I refer to her.
- 10 Q. Can you recall the exact words when Pheap gave you that order?
- 11 A. She said the orders came from the upper echelon to the commune
- 12 level and then she relayed those orders to us.
- 13 Q. Can you tell us the exact words that Pheap used when she gave
- 14 you that order?
- 15 A. The order was to arrest all the Chams within that village.
- 16 Q. And upon receiving order -- the order from Pheap, for the
- 17 arrest all Chams in that village, did you carry out the arrest
- 18 immediately on that day?
- 19 [14.12.13]
- 20 A. I cannot recall that. It happened a long time ago.
- 21 Q. Now I move on to another area. I refer to the names of those
- 22 people to be arrested. You said that you could not read and then
- 23 you asked a member of the group to read the names to you. Can you
- 24 recall who actually read out the names to you?
- 25 A. It was the deputy.

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- 1 Q. What is the name of the deputy who read the names to you?
- 2 A. It was An.
- 3 Q. From whom did you receive the list of names?
- 4 A. It came from the commune.
- 5 Q. And for the implementation of the arrest of those whose names
- 6 appeared on the list, did you go with your deputy, An, along with
- 7 your members or did you go only with your members, without An?
- 8 A. All the members went. There were 14 of us.
- 9 MS. SONG CHORVOIN:
- 10 Thank you, Mr. President. I don't have any more questions for
- 11 this witness.
- 12 [14.14.04]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Thank you. The floor is now given to the Co-Lawyers for civil
- 15 parties to put questions to this witness. You may proceed.
- 16 MS. GUIRAUD:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. President. We have no questions.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you. The floor will be now given to defence teams, first to
- 20 the defence team for Nuon Chea to put questions to the witness.
- 21 You may proceed, Counsel.
- 22 [14.14.40]
- 23 QUESTIONING BY MR. KOPPE:
- 24 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, Mr. Witness. I have a
- 25 few questions that I would like to pose to you this afternoon.

- 1 Q. Is my understanding correct that earlier this morning you
- 2 testified that the total period of time that you were a member or
- 3 even the chairman of the Long Sword militia was two months? You
- 4 worked for the Long Sword Group for two months and then became a
- 5 village chief; is that my understanding?
- 6 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 7 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 8 Q. And is my understanding, or let me rephrase, did you only work
- 9 for a short period of time, two months in the Long Sword Group
- 10 because you were appointed village chief and it was no longer
- 11 possible to combine the two functions?
- 12 A. No, I could not do that. I did not see them.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Defence Counsel, please repeat your question. It seems that the
- 15 witness doesn't understand your question.
- 16 [14.16.42]
- 17 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 18 Yes, I will try to make my question a bit simpler.
- 19 Q. You were a member for two months of the Long Sword militia.
- 20 Did you quit your work at the Long Sword militia because you
- 21 became a village chief?
- 22 A. Yes, I was appointed a village chief.
- 23 Q. And the one-time arrest of Cham people that you referred to,
- 24 took place in those two months that you worked in the Long Sword
- 25 Group; is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 2 [14.17.50]
- 3 Q. In those two months that you were a member of the Long Sword
- 4 Group, did you make other arrests than Cham people?
- 5 A. No, the Cham arrest that was the only arrest.
- 6 Q. Do you recall how many people in total were subject to that
- 7 arrest? In other words, the one and only arrest that you made,
- 8 how many people were involved? How many people were arrested?
- 9 A. I did not know the total number of those who were arrested.
- 10 Q. I understand that you don't know the total number exactly, but
- 11 are you in a position to give an estimate as to how many people
- 12 were arrested this one time that you were involved?
- 13 A. The arrest was carried out in various villages, I myself
- 14 involved in the arrest in one village while other people involved
- in the arrest in another village.
- 16 Q. Let me concentrate on the arrest that you yourself were
- 17 personally involved in. The arrest that you made in your village,
- 18 how many people were involved?
- 19 A. There were chiefs, namely the group chiefs.
- 20 Q. Maybe you misunderstood my question. My question is how many
- 21 people did you in your village personally arrest? How many people
- 22 were arrested by you physically?
- 23 [14.20.40]
- 24 A. I cannot recall that.
- 25 Q. Again, I don't expect you to give me an exact number but you

- 1 were only working for two months in the Long Sword Group. You
- 2 made only one arrest. Surely you would be able to give us an
- 3 estimate as to how many people you arrested.
- 4 A. I cannot remember it. I forget about it.
- 5 Q. I presume you also forgot any of their names?
- 6 A. Yes, I forgot it all.
- 7 Q. Did you know them personally; in other words, when you went
- 8 into the village to physically arrest these people, did you know
- 9 them beforehand? Did you know who they were?
- 10 A. Yes, I knew their names.
- 11 [14.22.38]
- 12 Q. Did you know them from the village?
- 13 A. They were in the village.
- 14 Q. And were they from the same village of which you later became
- 15 after two months, village chief?
- 16 A. I was transferred to Andoung Sar (phonetic).
- 17 Q. So the people that you arrested in your capacity as a Long
- 18 Sword member were not from the village of which after two months
- 19 you became the village chief; correct?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 Q. Is it correct that after you arrested them, you then brought
- 22 them to Wat Au Trakuon and you left these detainees in the hands
- 23 of the security guards of Wat Au Trakuon?
- 24 A. I delivered them to those people at the gate.
- 25 Q. And once you had delivered them, you went back to that same

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- 1 village or to somewhere else?
- 2 A. I returned to my place.
- 3 [14.25.08]
- 4 Q. Have you seen or were you able to observe what the security
- 5 guards subsequently did with the people you had just arrested?
- 6 A. No, I did not. And I was afraid and I did not dare to enter
- 7 the area.
- 8 Q. So the last time you saw the people you had just arrested was
- 9 when you gave -- when you left them in the hands of the security
- 10 guards. You never saw them afterwards; is that correct?
- 11 A. I did not see them anymore and I did not know what they were
- 12 -- what those people did to them.
- 13 Q. Were you or your fellow members of the Long Sword militia in
- 14 any way involved in the killing of these people?
- 15 A. We worked together to carry out the arrest.
- 16 Q. I understand. But were you or any of your group members
- 17 involved in the subsequent alleged killing of this group of
- 18 arrestees?
- 19 A. I was not involved.
- 20 [14.27.24]
- 21 Q. Have you ever witnessed the killing of the group of people
- 22 that you had just arrested?
- 23 A. No, I did not witness it.
- Q. Have you or any members of the Long Sword Group ever been
- 25 involved in any killings of other people from the commune; in

- 1 other words, other people than the people you had arrested?
- 2 A. No, my group was not involved. However, later on the later
- 3 group did involve in this matter.
- 4 Q. What exactly do you mean?
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 It seems that the witness doesn't understand your question,
- 7 Counsel Koppe. Please rephrase your question and simplify it so
- 8 that the witness is able to respond.
- 9 [14.29.10]
- 10 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 11 Well, my question was, "What exactly do you mean?" So that's five
- 12 words. My question, of course, referred to something he said
- 13 before. But let me backtrack a little maybe.
- 14 Q. My question was whether you or your group was ever involved in
- 15 the killing of other people. So I'm not referring to the people
- 16 you arrested but to the killing of other people. Were you ever
- 17 involved in that?
- 18 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 19 A. I did not know about that because later on I was no longer in
- 20 the group and I was not involved in it, and I didn't know what
- 21 happened later on.
- 22 Q. Let me ask you a more broader question. Have you ever
- 23 witnessed with your own eyes anybody being killed, either in your
- village or in your commune?
- 25 A. No, I did not witness it.

- 1 [14.30.42]
- 2 Q. Now, you spoke a little bit earlier about the order for the
- 3 arrest of that one group that you were involved in. Is it correct
- 4 when I say that if Pheap had indeed given such an order, she had
- 5 received an order from her husband?
- 6 A. She received the order from her husband.
- 7 Q. Were you ever present during conversations between Pheap and
- 8 Kan, her husband?
- 9 A. I did not hear.
- 10 Q. Were you more specifically present when supposedly Kan gave
- 11 the order to his wife, Pheap, to arrest the people that you were
- 12 involved in?
- 13 A. Pheap instructed us to arrest and I was fearful, so I simply
- 14 followed the order to arrest.
- 15 Q. I understand, Mr. Witness, but my question is: Were you
- 16 present in the room or somewhere during which Pheap got the order
- 17 from her husband, Kan?
- 18 A. She called a meeting and told us about the arrest.
- 19 [14.33.24]
- 20 Q. I understand, Mr. Witness. That is clear to me. But when Pheap
- 21 got her orders from her husband, were you then present?
- 22 A. Yes, I was around there because my house is near theirs.
- 23 Q. I'm not sure if you understand my question. Were you present
- 24 during the conversation that Pheap presumably might have had with
- 25 her husband, Kan, in relation to the arrest of people with which

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- 1 you were involved?
- 2 A. They had a meeting of their own, so I did not know about the
- 3 meeting between them. Only later on that she called us to have a
- 4 meeting and relayed about the order of the arrests to us that I
- 5 knew.
- 6 Q. Have you ever seen Kan speak to people of the sector, people
- 7 who presumably might be superior to him?
- 8 A. I did not ever see them.
- 9 [14.35.36]
- 10 Q. Were you at the time in a position to know from whom Kan
- 11 received orders or instructions?
- 12 A. I did not know about this matter.
- 13 Q. So is it then fair for me to say that the only person of
- 14 authority to you was Pheap and that you had no knowledge where
- 15 she got the order from?
- 16 A. I know only that she received the order from the upper echelon
- 17 and that was it.
- 18 Q. Fine. But you were not present when the upper echelon gave her
- 19 the order; is that correct?
- 20 A. (Microphone not activated)
- 21 THE INTERPRETER:
- 22 The interpreter cannot hear what the witness has just said.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 The witness has already given answers to this.
- 25 So, the witness, you don't have to repeat your answer.

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- 1 [14.37.31]
- 2 MR. KOPPE:
- 3 I am a bit confused, Mr. President. There was no objection. I
- 4 just wanted to get clarification as to his presence when, "upper
- 5 echelon gave the order to Pheap". I just wanted to have that
- 6 confirmed. I think that's an important issue and seeking
- 7 clarification to have that confirmed, I think, is an appropriate
- 8 question.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 You talk about the meeting between -- at the upper level at the
- 11 district and commune level. The witness already gave answer to
- 12 this. You can pose question but you should avoid repeating the
- 13 same questions.
- 14 [14.39.48]
- 15 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 16 Fine, I will move on, Mr. President.
- 17 Q. Earlier this morning, Mr. Witness, you gave testimony in
- 18 respect of the arrests of New People and people who were former
- 19 Lon Nol military. Now, just a bit earlier you said that you were
- 20 involved in the arrests of people only once, and it was of Cham
- 21 people. Can you explain to me how it is that you know -- how you
- 22 know about the arrests of New People or Lon Nol military? What is
- 23 the source of your knowledge if you were involved in arrests only
- 24 once?
- 25 MR. SAY DOEUN:

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- 1 A. From the commune level they told us about that arrest.
- 2 Q. I understand, but you just testified that during those two
- 3 months you were involved in only one arrest. How do you have
- 4 knowledge when it comes to arrests of former Lon Nol military?
- 5 [14.40.42]
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Mr. Witness, please hold on.
- 8 The floor is given to the International Co-Prosecutor. You may
- 9 now proceed.
- 10 MR. LYSAK:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President. That question is completely repetitive
- of the question he just asked. He got an answer that he was told
- 13 about those arrests by the commune. He is entitled, obviously, to
- 14 follow up on that, but I don't think he is entitled to ask the
- 15 same question again that the witness already answered.
- 16 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 17 I am happy to rephrase.
- 18 Q. What is it that you were told by the commune in respect of the
- 19 arrests of former Lon Nol military? What is it that you knew
- 20 about this?
- 21 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 22 A. I simply followed the orders from them.
- 23 [14.41.55]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you, Counsel.

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- 1 It is now a convenient time for a break. The Chamber will take a
- 2 short break from now until 3 o'clock.
- 3 Court officer, please find for this witness a proper place in the
- 4 waiting room and please bring him along with his duty counsel
- 5 back to the courtroom at 3 o'clock.
- 6 The court is now in recess.
- 7 (Court recesses from 1442H to 1500H)
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Please be seated.
- 10 The Chambers now continues the hearing of the witness, and the
- 11 floor is given to defence counsel of Nuon Chea to put more
- 12 questions to the witness.
- 13 The Chamber would also like to remind about the arrests of the
- 14 people, so there may be some confusion either between the arrest
- 15 of the targeted group of Cham people or the arrest of ordinary
- 16 people. So to avoid this confusion between the arrest of the Cham
- 17 people or the general arrest of people, so if parties can avoid
- 18 this matter it's good, because it contributes to the ascertaining
- 19 of the truth that the Chamber is doing right now.
- 20 MR. KOPPE:
- 21 Mr. President, I'm not quite sure if I follow what you were
- 22 saying, but I will bear in mind when asking my--
- 23 [15.03.02]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 I would like to clarify that there may be some confusion as

- 1 regards to the response by the witness in the morning session,
- 2 the talk about the arrest of the general people and that he
- 3 received the order from the commune chief. And you have just
- 4 asked about the one-time arrest of -- that include the New People
- 5 or Lon Nol people.
- 6 So I just would like you to clarify this matter. So we need to
- 7 specify which types of arrest that you are referring to. And the
- 8 witness told us that he implemented the arrest of only one time
- 9 and then you asked about his knowledge of other arrests. So we
- 10 need to be specific on this matter.
- 11 [15.04.25]
- 12 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 13 It is correct that, as you indicated, Mr. President, that this
- 14 witness seems to be involved during his Long Sword militia period
- 15 in one arrest only. But he also made some remarks on the arrests
- of Lon Nol people, and that's where I was moving to. He gave an
- 17 answer before the break to that question. I have one last
- 18 follow-up question in this respect.
- 19 Q. Mr. Witness, were you ever involved between 1975 and '79 in
- 20 the interrogation of anyone who was ever arrested?
- 21 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 22 A. I was not involved in the interrogation from 1975 to 1979.
- 23 [15.05.40]
- 24 Q. So is it fair then to say for me that you have no knowledge
- 25 whatsoever as to why someone was arrested either in your village

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- 1 or commune between 1975 and 1979?
- 2 A. I have no knowledge about this.
- 3 MR. KOPPE:
- 4 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 The floor is given to Judge Fenz.
- 7 [15.06.25]
- 8 QUESTIONING BY JUDGE FENZ:
- 9 Q. I have about three follow-up questions on some of the things
- 10 you said answering Counsel Koppe.
- 11 At the very beginning you mentioned that you were part of one
- 12 group that made arrests. But if I heard that correctly your group
- 13 was not the only one. There were other groups who made arrests in
- 14 other villages. Did I understand that correctly?
- 15 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 16 A. Yes, there were other groups.
- 17 Q. Can you tell me how many groups there were, your group and how
- 18 many more groups make arrests at that time?
- 19 A. At my village there was one group and as for the security
- 20 group they have another group, and we were based close to each
- 21 other.
- 22 [15.07.55]
- 23 Q. So there were two groups that made arrests, did I understand
- that correctly, or more groups?
- 25 A. The security guards, they were also involved in the arrests in

- 1 villages.
- 2 Q. And the security guards were one group or were there more
- 3 groups of security quards?
- 4 A. I did not know.
- 5 Q. Do you know approximately how many villages were raided or in
- 6 how many villages were arrests made?
- 7 A. Arrests took place in seven villages.
- 8 Q. So seven villages at basically the same time. But you were
- 9 only involved in one raid in one village. Is this correct?
- 10 A. Yes, each group was responsible to arrest people in each
- 11 village.
- 12 Q. Where the people from the other villages brought to -- the
- 13 arrested people from the other villages where were they brought
- 14 to, all to one place or to different places?
- 15 A. They were brought along the roads and sent to the same place.
- 16 [15.10.26]
- 17 Q. Okay. And who were the people arrested, Cham, Khmer or both in
- 18 those seven villages?
- 19 A. Only the Chams were arrested.
- 20 Q. Can you -- did that all happen in one day or over which period
- 21 of time were these seven villages -- were people arrested in
- 22 these seven villages? Did this take a week or a day or longer?
- 23 A. It happened in one day. It all happened in one day.
- Q. Now, you already said you didn't know how many people who you
- 25 had arrested, and I am now only talking about your group and the

- 1 people you arrested. I will make a last attempt. If I give you
- 2 three numbers, 10, 50 or 100 people, can you make an estimate on
- 3 how many people your group arrested on that day or can you not?
- 4 A. I cannot recall. It was probably two people who were arrested.
- 5 Q. Your group arrested two people?
- 6 A. Yes, only two people were arrested.
- 7 [15.12.55]
- 8 Q. Do you know how many people the other groups arrested, the
- 9 other six, I quess?
- 10 A. I did not know because we were -- each group went to implement
- 11 it separately and we did not inform each other about what we did.
- 12 Q. And you didn't see them? You told me they were all brought to
- 13 the same place. Did you see them there?
- 14 A. Yes, I saw the arrested people were brought along the road and
- 15 sent to that place.
- 16 O. Can you tell me how many you saw again, 10 -- two, 10, 20,
- 17 100?
- 18 A. Sometimes, at times two or three people were brought.
- 19 Q. What was the biggest group you ever saw, if you remember, the
- 20 biggest group of arrested people?
- 21 A. No, I did not know how many people were arrested.
- 22 [15.15.04]
- 23 Q. Okay. I am moving to another subject. When you were questioned
- 24 by counsel you said your group didn't kill any of the arrested
- 25 people but later another group did. At least, that's what I wrote

- 1 down. Can you tell me about this other group who killed people?
- 2 A. It was the security quard group.
- 3 Q. Okay. And the same security quard group that raided the six
- 4 villages at the same time your group made the arrests, this
- 5 security guard group?
- 6 A. They also went to villages.
- 7 Q. Yes, but I want to know something else. You said the group who
- 8 killed, arrested people, was a security guard group. I want to
- 9 know is this the -- are you referring to the same security quard
- 10 group which made arrests in six other villages at the same time
- 11 your group arrested people, or are you talking about another
- 12 security guard group?
- 13 A. They went out to make arrests and after they have made arrests
- 14 they went back into their place. So it was the security guards.
- 15 So when we saw them riding bicycles it means that they would make
- 16 arrests of people.
- 17 [15.17.36]
- 18 Q. Okay. And how do you know that they killed some of the
- 19 arrested people? Did you see it? Did you hear it?
- 20 A. I heard them talking about it. I did not hear any screams
- 21 because I was based far from it, but this is what I heard from
- 22 those security guards.
- 23 Q. So these security guards told you that they had killed people
- 24 or they told each other that they had killed people and you heard
- 25 it? Let me make it easier. Did those security guards tell you

- 1 that they killed some of the people they had arrested?
- 2 A. Yes, those were the ones who arrested people and killed
- 3 people. Those security quard groups consisted of around 15 people
- 4 and each time they went out to arrest people, five or six of them
- 5 went out at each time.
- 6 [15.19.20]
- 7 Q. And you said they killed people and you heard that. You didn't
- 8 see it, but you heard it. My question is: did these security
- 9 guards tell you that they killed people?
- 10 A. Those security guards when they came to visit the village,
- 11 they told us that. And then they went back to their place, I was
- 12 afraid. I did not dare to ask them for more details.
- 13 Q. But you heard it from themselves?
- 14 A. Yes, I heard from their mouths.
- 15 Q. Do you know any names of those security guards?
- 16 A. Those people already died when the Vietnamese arrived. The
- 17 bombs were thrown onto their houses and the bombs killed them.
- 18 Q. Did they say how and where they killed the arrested people? So
- 19 my first question: did they say how they killed them?
- 20 A. I did not ask them about this.
- 21 [15.21.37]
- 22 Q. I understand you did ask. But still my second question: did
- 23 they say where, in which place they killed the arrested people?
- 24 A. The killing took place in Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 25 Q. That is what they said?

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- 1 A. They said the killing happened in Au Trakuon pagoda.
- 2 Q. Did they say what they did with the bodies?
- 3 A. I did not know.
- Q. And I'm moving to another subject, and making a last attempt 4
- 5 following various attempts from Counsel Koppe to get the question
- 6 answered. So my question, other subject now, you said that your
- 7 order to arrest the Cham came from Pheap. And you also said she
- heard the order from her husband and the upper echelon. You said 8
- you were not there when the husband told Pheap, "Listen, this is 9
- 10 the order. Tell them to arrest the Cham." So who told you, if
- 11 anybody that Pheap got the order from her husband? Did somebody
- 12 tell you?
- [15.24.09] 13
- A. No one. She told us by herself that she went to have a meeting 14
- at the upper level and she relayed the order to us. 15
- Q. So it was she, herself, who said, "This is an order I got from 16
- 17 the upper level"?
- 18 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 19 Q. And did she give a name to the upper level? Did she say who
- 20 the person was who gave her the order?
- A. No, she did not tell. She simply told us that it came from the 21
- 22 upper level.
- 23 JUDGE FENZ:
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 Thank you. The Chamber now gives the floor to defence counsel for
- 2 Khieu Samphan to put questions to the witness.
- 3 Counsel, now you may proceed.
- 4 [15.25.23]
- 5 QUESTIONING BY MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 6 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, parties in this
- 7 Chamber.
- 8 Q. I have only a few questions to put to you, Mr. Witness. I just
- 9 heard from you related to the question put by Judge that in your
- 10 commune there were seven villages and you went to one village to
- 11 arrest Cham people. And you made an assumption that there were
- 12 seven groups at that time that went out to implement the order
- 13 because the arrests all happened in one day. And you mentioned
- 14 that in your group there were six people and you divided into
- 15 three groups. I wanted to clarify that when you implement the
- 16 order when your group went to arrest, you went to arrest in two
- 17 villages or in just only one village?
- 18 MR. SAY DOEUN:
- 19 A. I said that my group had 14, around 14 people and we stay
- 20 together as a group when we went out to make arrests.
- 21 [15.26.55]
- 22 Q. So you mean that your group which has 14 people, it means you
- 23 went all together in one group; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 25 Q. You said earlier that in your Long Sword Unit was created --

- 1 your Long Sword Unit was created when the Southwest cadres
- 2 arrived, and in Kan family who was the district committee and
- 3 Pheap as the commune committee. Could you specify the time when
- 4 the unit was established?
- 5 A. I did not know, because I could not read and write.
- 6 Q. You also said earlier that you worked in the Long Sword Unit
- 7 for only two months. Were you part of the original members of the
- 8 group? Could you answer this point?
- 9 A. There were no others from my village. It was me who was the
- 10 original member of this group.
- 11 [15.28.58]
- 12 Q. Could you specify the time when your groups went out to arrest
- 13 Cham people, what months and year was it?
- 14 A. It was in late 1978.
- 15 Q. Could you remember the months?
- 16 A. No, I could not remember the months. I only remember that it
- 17 took place in late 1978.
- 18 Q. Did you know that the Long Sword Unit also existed in other
- 19 villages?
- 20 A. No, I only knew that there was the Long Sword Unit in my
- 21 commune. I did not know whether they were in other villages,
- 22 other communes.
- 23 [15.30.13]
- 24 Q. Did you ever attend meetings at the district levels with
- 25 members from other Long Sword Units?

- 1 A. No, I did not. I attended the meeting only at the commune
- 2 level.
- 3 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 4 Thank you for your answers.
- 5 Mr. President, I have no more questions to put to this witness.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Thank you. The hearing of testimony of this witness has come to a
- 9 conclusion.
- 10 The Trial Chambers thanks you, Mr. Doeun, to testify before the
- 11 Chambers for the whole day. Your testimony can contribute to the
- 12 ascertaining of the truth of this case, and now you are excused.
- 13 You can return to your residence or to your destination, and I
- 14 wish you good luck and a good trip.
- 15 Court officer, please coordinate with the WESU for his
- 16 transportation to his residence or to any other destination he
- 17 wishes.
- 18 And Mr. Moeurn Sovann, the Chamber thanks you for your presence
- 19 to help the witness.
- 20 We have no reserve witness for today. The hearing will resume
- 21 tomorrow from 9 o'clock in the morning. We will hear TCW-928 and
- 22 the parties are invited to attend this hearing.
- 23 Security personnel are instructed to bring both Nuon Chea and
- 24 Khieu Samphan to the detention facility and bring them back to
- 25 the hearing before 9 o'clock.

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