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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 hears testimony of a witness, 2-TCW-1042, in
- 6 relation to the methodology on the drawing up of new list of S-21
- 7 detainees, which was prepared by the Office of the
- 8 Co-Investigating Judges.
- 9 <The greffier, > Ms. Chea Sivhoang, please report the attendance
- 10 of the parties and other individuals to today's proceedings.
- 11 [09.05.16]
- 12 THE GREFFIER:
- 13 Mr. President, for today's proceedings, all parties to this case
- 14 are present.
- 15 Mr. Nuon Chea is present in the holding cell downstairs. He has
- 16 waived his right to be present in the courtroom. The waiver has
- 17 been delivered to the greffier.
- 18 The witness who is to testify today, that is, 2-TCW-1042,
- 19 confirms that, to her best knowledge, she has no relationship, by
- 20 blood or by law, to any of the two accused, that is, Nuon Chea
- 21 and Khieu Samphan, or to any of the civil parties admitted in
- 22 this case. The witness took an oath before the Iron Club Statue
- 23 on the 15th of December 2016. The witness and the OCIJ legal
- 24 officer are ready to be called by the Chamber in the waiting
- 25 room.

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- 1 Thank you.
- 2 [09.06.20]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Thank you, Ms. Chea Sivhoang. The Chamber now decides on the
- 5 request by Nuon Chea.
- 6 The Chamber has received a waiver from Nuon Chea, dated 9th
- 7 January 2017, which states that, due to his health, that is,
- 8 headache, back pain, he cannot sit or concentrate for long. And
- 9 in order to effectively participate in future hearings, he
- 10 requests to waive his right to be present at the 9 January 2017
- 11 hearing.
- 12 He advises that his counsel advised him about the consequence of
- 13 this waiver, that in no way it can be construed as a waiver of
- 14 his rights to be tried fairly or to challenge evidence presented
- 15 to or admitted by this Court at any time during this trial.
- 16 [09.07.10]
- 17 Having seen the medical report of Nuon Chea by the duty doctor
- 18 for the accused at the ECCC, dated 9 January 2017, which notes
- 19 that, today, Nuon Chea has a constant lower back pain when he
- 20 sits for long and recommends that the Chamber shall grant him his
- 21 request so that he can follow the proceedings remotely from the
- 22 holding cell downstairs.
- 23 Based on the above information and pursuant to Rule 81.5 of the
- 24 ECCC Internal Rules, the Chamber grants Nuon Chea his request to
- 25 follow today's proceedings remotely from the holding cell

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- 1 downstairs via an audio-visual means.
- 2 The Chamber instructs the AV Unit personnel to link the
- 3 proceedings to the room downstairs so that Nuon Chea can follow.
- 4 That applies for the whole day.
- 5 Court officer, please usher the witness and the legal officer
- 6 from the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges into the
- 7 courtroom.
- 8 (Witness enters the courtroom)
- 9 [09.09.50]
- 10 QUESTIONING BY THE PRESIDENT:
- 11 Q. Good morning, Madam Witness. What is your name?
- 12 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 13 A. Good morning, Mr. President and Your Honours. My name is Hin
- 14 Sotheany.
- 15 Q. Thank you, Madam Hin Sotheany.
- 16 And when were you born?
- 17 A. I was born on 5th January 1984.
- 18 Q. And where were you born?
- 19 A. I was born in Sangkat 3 (phonetic) in Phnom Penh.
- 20 Q. <What> is your present address?
- 21 A. I live in <Sangkat> Boeng Salang, <Khan> Tuol Kork, Phnom
- 22 Penh.
- 23 Q. What is your current occupation?
- 24 A. I am a former analyst of the Office of the Co-Investigating
- 25 Judges. At present, I do not work.

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- 1 [09.11.09]
- 2 O. What are the names of your parents?
- 3 A. My father is Hin Sokhum; he is deceased. And my mother is Prak
- 4 Eng. She stays at home.
- 5 Q. Are you married? If so, what is your husband's name, and how
- 6 many children do you have?
- 7 A. My husband is Long Bunluch, and we have a son.
- 8 Q. Thank you.
- 9 The greffier made an oral report that, to your best knowledge and
- 10 ability, you are not related, by blood or by law, to any of the
- 11 two accused, that is, Nuon Chea and Khieu Samphan, or any of the
- 12 civil parties admitted in this case. Is the report correct?
- 13 A. Yes, that is correct, Mr. President.
- 14 [09.12.10]
- 15 Q. Also, the greffier reported that you took an oath before the
- 16 Iron Club Statue on the 15 December 2016. Is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 18 Q. The Chamber would like now to inform you of your rights and
- 19 obligations as a witness.
- 20 Madam Hin Sotheany, 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, and which may violate the conditions imposed
- 24 by the <International> Co-Investigating <Judge of which the
- 25 parties and the Chamber have been notified>, that is, <E443/1.1>

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- 1 and  $\langle E443.3/3 \text{ (sic)} \rangle$ .
- 2 As for your obligations, as a witness in the proceedings before
- 3 the Chamber, you must respond to any questions by the Bench or
- 4 relevant parties, except where your response or comments to those
- 5 questions may incriminate you, as the Chamber has just informed
- 6 you of your right as a witness, or may violate the conditions
- 7 imposed by the <International> Co-Investigating Judge, <>
- 8 documents, that is E442/1.1 and E443/1/3>.
- 9 [09.14.05]
- 10 And you must tell the truth that you have known, heard, seen,
- 11 remembered, experienced or observed directly about the
- 12 methodology used in the drawing up of the new list of detainees
- 13 or victims at S-21, that is, in relation to those questions put
- 14 to you by the Bench or the relevant parties.
- 15 And Madam Hin Sotheany, the International Co-Investigating Judge
- 16 impose some questions in relation to your testimony in order to
- 17 protect the ongoing investigation. Are you aware of that?
- 18 A. Yes, I do understand about those limitations.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Thank you.
- 21 And I'd like to direct my questions to the legal officer of the
- 22 OCIJ. And may I know your status, legal officer? Are you Madam or
- 23 Miss, and what is your function?
- 24 MS. CHIRIMAR:
- 25 I'm Ms. Priyanka Chirimar, and I'm here as a legal officer of the

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- 1 OCIJ.
- 2 [09.15.32]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 And may I ask again, are you married or are you single?
- 6 MS. CHIRIMAR:
- 7 I apologize, Your Honour. I didn't quite follow your first
- 8 question.
- 9 I'm married.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 And I'd like to inform the parties and the general public that
- 13 Ms. Priyanka Chirimar, she is a legal officer of the Office of
- 14 the Co-Investigating Judges, and she is sitting nearby the
- 15 witness. She may object to any questions put to the witness that
- 16 may have impact on the ongoing investigation. And she also
- 17 understands about the conditions imposed by the International
- 18 Co-Investigating Judge.
- 19 [09.16.38]
- 20 And Madam Hin Sotheany, the Chamber received your request through
- 21 WESU that you would like to use a computer during your testimony
- 22 in order to refer to the list which exists in the Excel
- 23 spreadsheet form, that is, the list of S-21 prisoners prepared by
- 24 the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges. The Chamber heard
- 25 responses and observations from parties on the 15th of December

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- 1 2016 regarding this matter, and no party objects to the use of
- 2 the laptop. For that reason, the Chamber allows you to use the
- 3 computer, which is in front of you during your testimony, and the
- 4 Chamber would like to clarify the following points.
- 5 [09.17.30]
- 6 You may only use the computer to refer to two documents only,
- 7 first, that is, the Excel spreadsheet of the new list of
- 8 detainees at S-21, which was prepared by the Office of the
- 9 Co-Investigating Judges, and second, the Excel spreadsheet of
- 10 documents that were used to draw up a new list of the S-21
- 11 prisoners. And these <>Excel spreadsheets have been forwarded to
- 12 the parties on Friday afternoon, that is, the 6th of January
- 13 2017. And the <>documents are also available on the desktop of
- 14 the computer. And these two documents are E393.2 and E393.3.
- 15 And in your response to questions that you need to refer to the
- 16 Excel spreadsheet, please identify which column or which column
- 17 number that you refer to so that the parties and the Chamber may
- 18 follow you in your response.
- 19 And also, please mention the document number in Case 002, that
- 20 is, the E3 number of each document that you refer to.
- 21 And pursuant to Rule 91bis of the ECCC Internal Rules in
- 22 questioning this witness, the Chamber grants the floor first to
- 23 the defence team for Nuon Chea to put questions. And the two
- 24 defence teams have two Court sessions to put questions to this
- 25 witness.

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- 1 You may proceed.
- 2 [09.19.20]
- 3 QUESTIONING BY MR. KOPPE:
- 4 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 5 morning, counsel.
- 6 Q. Good morning, Madam Witness. I'll be asking you some questions
- 7 this morning and also part of the second session.
- 8 I would like to start with just very few questions concerning
- 9 your background.
- 10 Could you tell the Chamber what you studied and what your last
- 11 degree is?
- 12 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 13 A. Allow me to respond. I concluded my law degree <from the Royal
- 14 University of Law and Economics or RULE> in 2006.
- 15 Q. Thank you, Madam Witness.
- 16 What were you -- or what are your professional experiences before
- 17 you were hired by the Office of the Co-Investigating Judge?
- 18 [09.20.52]
- 19 A. I worked as a contractual staff at DC-Cam, and I was part of
- 20 the project, which is known as the Accountability Project at
- 21 DC-Cam. And after that -- rather, as part of the project, I
- 22 conducted research and interviewed former survivors, in
- 23 particular, the former Khmer Rouge cadres throughout the country.
- 24 And later on, I worked for the Office of the Co-Investigating
- 25 Judges in the analyst team.

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- 1 Q. How long in total have you been working for DC-Cam before you
- 2 moved to OCIJ?
- 3 A. I started working for DC-Cam <in> 2004, and I continued until
- 4 2012. And after that, I came to work at the OCIJ as an analyst
- 5 consultant <from> 2014 <to> 2016.
- 6 Q. And have you been hired by the OCIJ to work exclusively on the
- 7 list that we will be discussing extensively today?
- 8 A. Throughout the process of drawing up list of S-21 prisoners at
- 9 OCIJ, my main function was to work on the list, and I was an
- 10 analyst consultant. And my work exclusively dealt with the
- 11 drawing up of the list.
- 12 Q. Is it correct if I say that your work for the OCIJ list is
- done exclusively in Cases 003 and 004?
- 14 A. I worked on the S-21 list. That's the only list that I worked
- 15 on.
- 16 [09.23.50]
- 17 Q. So you don't know if you're working in Cases 003 and 004?
- 18 I see you had some discussion with the legal officer. Your work
- 19 as an analyst, was that exclusively in Cases 003 and 004?
- 20 A. After I -- I had to consult with my legal officer because, in
- 21 fact, the list that I worked on was for Cases 003 and 004, and
- 22 that was the purpose I was hired to work for OCIJ, that is, to
- 23 work on the list, and nothing else.
- 24 Q. And would it be fair to say that you are exclusively
- 25 answerable to the International Co-Investigating Judge, and not

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- 1 to the National?
- 2 A. I worked for the Office of the International Co-Investigating
- 3 Judge.
- 4 [09.25.25]
- 5 Q. Thank you.
- 6 Now let me move to the methodology of the list. First, some
- 7 general points:
- 8 Can you tell us -- can you tell the Chamber how many people
- 9 worked with you on the list, or was it you exclusively who was
- 10 busy compiling that list?
- 11 A. I worked on the list under the <guidance> of the team leader,
- 12 that is, Hiroto. He was the leader of the analysts during the
- 13 time that I worked. And he was the one who was responsible for
- 14 the compilations of those documents, so there were only two of us
- 15 working on the list.
- 16 Q. Indeed, that was my next question, Madam Witness.
- 17 In a memo from the OCIJ, E393.1, a person called Hiroto Fujiwara
- 18 is mentioned as the team leader of the analysts unit. Did he --
- 19 was he actively involved in the selection of documents in the
- 20 compiling of the list, or was his role more a supervisory role?
- 21 A. Mr. Hiroto Fujiwara was the one who gathered the documents,
- 22 that is, to gather the list of the documents from DC-Cam or from
- 23 Tuol Sleng or from the case files where I did not have access to,
- 24 <and I was actually the one who draw up the list.>
- 25 [09.27.40]

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- 1 Q. I will move to this shortly. One additional question about Mr.
- 2 Fujiwara.
- 3 Do you know his professional or academic, if any, background?
- 4 A. To my knowledge, when I came to work for the Office of the
- 5 Co-Investigating Judges and I realized that he was a team leader
- of the analysts, and that's all I know about him.
- 7 Q. One last question about him.
- 8 Do you know if he speaks or reads Khmer?
- 9 A. Through my contact with him, I <learned that he does not know
- 10 Khmer.
- 11 [09.28.48]
- 12 Q. You briefly indicated this already, but if I may ask you to be
- 13 a bit more extensive now.
- 14 Can you tell us where the documents that you have examined or
- 15 selected -- where they were coming from? Where were they
- 16 obtained?
- 17 A. The documents that I reviewed before I <incorporated> them in
- 18 the list were mainly from DC-Cam and the Tuol Sleng Museum.
- 19 Q. Are these the only two sources of origin of the documents that
- 20 you examined?
- 21 A. <The list I have drawn were based on only> the main <two>
- 22 sources that we -- that I referred to.
- 23 Q. Just to be 100 per cent sure, you say "main sources". This
- 24 could imply that there are other sources than these two. But just
- 25 to be 100 per cent sure on this, as I said, the sole sources of

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- 1 the 13,383 documents were the archives of the Tuol Sleng Museum
- 2 and DC-Cam; correct?
- 3 A. Yes, that is correct. They are the <main two> sources.
- 4 Q. Did you, yourself, go to Tuol Sleng or DC-Cam or did you just
- 5 find those 13,383 documents either on your desk or digitally on
- 6 your computer?
- 7 A. First, my team leader gave me the lists which he collected
- 8 from the DC-Cam's website. He got a list of documents, and then
- 9 he sent that list to DC-Cam to obtain <> those documents. I
- 10 examined each document from -- each document from the list. <I
- 11 can say that these were the only two> sources of documents that I
- 12 <based upon>.
- 13 [09.32.18]
- 14 I was not able to go directly to the DC-Cam to collect all those
- 15 documents. Some documents are already available in SMD. I am the
- 16 one who examined the documents given by him, but -- and I saw --
- 17 I examined only the list of the incoming prisoners.
- 18 And I also went to Tuol Sleng Museum, maybe in February <or>
- 19 March, to examine certain documents so that I could <incorporate
- 20 them into> my list <to make sure my list was complete>.
- 21 Q. Did you or did Mr. Fujiwara physically take original documents
- 22 to the -- to OCIJ either from DC-Cam or from Tuol Sleng?
- 23 [09.33.38]
- 24 A. Generally, he was the team leader of the analysts, so his
- 25 responsibility was to collect all documents, whether they are at

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- 1 DC-Cam or Tuol Sleng Museum. He led the team and he went with the
- 2 team members.
- 3 Again, he collected all documents for the team so that I could
- 4 examine all those documents.
- 5 Q. I understand. But just to be very precise, you used the word
- 6 "collect". Does that simply mean digitally transferring documents
- 7 from the DC-Cam digital archives to OCIJ?
- 8 A. I do not know about this. It is his responsibility and <he was
- 9 in charge of the task>.
- 10 Q. Let me -- let me try one more time.
- 11 Do you have -- did you ever have physically in your hands
- 12 original S-21 documents?
- 13 A. Allow me to tell the Chamber that I do not have the physical
- 14 documents.
- 15 Q. Thank you.
- 16 Madam Witness, do you know or has maybe Mr. Fujiwara told you at
- 17 one point whether, at Tuol Sleng or DC-Cam, some sort of register
- 18 would be available that would allow your team to understand the
- 19 chain of custody of these documents?
- 20 Chain of custody is a legal team. You're a lawyer. Maybe you are
- 21 familiar with the words "chain of custody".
- 22 [09.36.11]
- 23 Let me explain. Is -- was your team in a position to understand
- 24 where DC-Cam or Tuol Sleng subsequently had their documents from?
- 25 A. For me, I worked on the lists available in electronic form

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- 1 <on> the computer, and I do not know about the chain of custody.
- 2 Based on my experience working on the lists, they were -- I could
- 3 be able to know which documents were contemporaneous document and
- 4 which were not. <I mentioned of two main sources of document
- 5 earlier>.
- 6 Again, some documents were from <the>> Tuol Sleng <museum> and
- 7 some <others> were from <S-21 (sic)>. And if the documents were
- 8 from <the> Tuol Sleng <museum>, those documents were collected by
- 9 staff <members> of that Tuol Sleng <museum after 1979. But if
- 10 some > documents <remained from the Democratic Kampuchea regime, I
- 11 classified them as the documents from S-21. I have no say
- 12 regarding other documents>.
- 13 [09.37.37]
- 14 Q. Madam Witness, was there any sort of process within your team
- 15 available to verify the authenticity of the documents, or did you
- or the office assume that since these documents were coming from
- 17 DC-Cam or the Tuol Sleng archives that, therefore, they must be
- 18 authentic?
- 19 In other words, how did you make sure that the document that you
- 20 were analyzing was actually from S-21?
- 21 A. Generally, we could identify <that certain> documents <were
- 22 actually> from S-21 because S-21 documents are available in <a>
- 23 certain <template>. I examined only the lists of incoming
- 24 prisoners, and <so I am familiar with the template of> those
- 25 documents<: template of name lists, columns on the name lists,

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- 1 the typing style, and sometimes they bore> the signatures of
- 2 those who <enlisted those prisoners> at the time. <With all these
- 3 small details, I was able to distinguish these documents from
- 4 other documents. It is difficult for me to reply to your
- 5 question. However, if> you show me the list, I am able to explain
- 6 <to> you more easily.
- 7 Q. I will get to specific documents shortly, but my question is,
- 8 what was your team's proof that a document that you analyzed was
- 9 actually from S-21 and not just merely coming from DC-Cam or Tuol
- 10 Sleng?
- 11 In other words, how did you verify that this was actually a
- 12 contemporaneous document coming from S-21?
- 13 [09.40.00]
- 14 A. For my team, my team members and my team leader collected
- 15 documents<, and it was me who would verify> whether <or not> they
- 16 were <contemporaneous documents> from S-21<. I was> the one who
- 17 <screened and selected> those documents.
- 18 Q. That is not completely answering my question, Madam Witness.
- 19 My question is, you have a specific document in hand. It's a
- 20 digital copy. What methodology was present, what did you do to
- 21 establish that that particular document was, in fact, coming from
- 22 S-21? In other words, how did you exclude that not someone in
- 23 1979 forged a document, for instance?
- 24 A. Based on the experience I had <with the> DC-Cam and <>the
- 25 OCIJ, I mainly focused on the lists of incoming prisoners. At

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- 1 S-21, there was a letterhead <on the lists of incoming prisoners>
- 2 and also columns and <typewriting style>. When I look at the
- 3 document, I could know the document is from S-21, and the
- 4 document is usually -- is very old and <though> the <scanned
- 5 format> is comparatively different from the <format> used at the
- 6 present time <and the formats used by other offices>. So S-21
- 7 documents used certain layout or format.
- 8 [09.42.30]
- 9 Q. I understand that. And I'm not disputing the fact that quite
- 10 some documents have a certain layout and use of typography, etc.
- 11 But just one more time and then I'll move on.
- 12 How did your office exclude the possibility that what you were
- 13 analyzing was, in fact, a document that was drafted before the
- 14 7th January 1979?
- 15 A. Let me make a clarification <that the> list <that I have drawn
- 16 does not incorporate any> of <the> documents prepared either
- 17 before or> after Khmer Rouge time <especially the documents from
- 18 S-21.>
- 19 Q. But then what is your definition of a contemporaneous
- 20 document?
- 21 A. Regarding the lists I examined, on the top of the page it has
- 22 the heading, for example, list of incoming prisoners. The lists I
- 23 examined were lists of incoming prisoner, <or> it -- they bear
- 24 S-21 logo. Some documents do not bear the S-21 logo, but I could
- 25 identify and establish that they were S-21 documents by looking

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- 1 at the format and the signatures of those who pared the
- 2 lists. With all these details, I managed to distinguish them from
- 3 other documents>.
- 4 [09.44.57]
- 5 JUDGE FENZ:
- 6 Just trying to bring some order in here.
- 7 Did you use any documents for the list that were created after
- 8 '79? No matter by whom.
- 9 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 10 No<, Your Honour.>
- 11 JUDGE FENZ:
- 12 So to be very clear, the only documents you used were such that
- 13 were created between '75 and '79 no matter where you got them
- 14 from?
- 15 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 16 Correct, Mr. President.
- 17 [09.45.56]
- 18 JUDGE FENZ:
- 19 And the other question that still appears to be open, did your
- 20 office or you do anything to check if the documents that you were
- 21 analyzing were actually really created between '75 and '79, or
- 22 did you just take the list as it came?
- 23 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 24 I checked and examined all those documents before I <incorporated
- 25 them> in my <list>. The documents I <that incorporated> in my

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- 1 lists were documents of the Khmer Rouge time <made between> 1975
- 2 <and> 1979, particularly the S-21 documents.
- 3 JUDGE FENZ:
- 4 But you came to this conclusion on the basis of the data on the
- 5 document. You didn't do any forensic analysis of the documents?
- 6 (Short pause)
- 7 [09.47.34]
- 8 JUDGE FENZ:
- 9 Maybe the question isn't clear. Let me repeat.
- 10 When you said you only used documents created between '75 and
- 11 '79, you were saying this because the dates on the document say
- 12 '75 between '79. Is this correct? Or did you or anybody of your
- 13 team take these documents, look at them, look at the paper, do
- 14 anything else?
- 15 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 16 I <> examined the documents <br/>by basing on the format and> the
- 17 dates <on> those documents, for example, <those documents that
- 18 were with the dates between> 1975 and 1979. <Other than this,> I
- 19 did not use any other methods to make the analysis<; however, I
- 20 mainly based on the format that those documents were prepared.>
- 21 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 22 Q. But what if -- if I may follow up. What if there was no date
- 23 on the document? Did you just assume that because you were
- 24 requested to study it, it must be an S-21 document?
- 25 [09.49.12]

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- 1 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 2 A. I checked and examined all types of documents, the form -- the
- 3 format, the <date, the > logo or typography and the signatures of
- 4 S-21 staff members. And I also looked at the dates. <It could
- 5 also lead to a confusion if I only depended on the dates. <In
- 6 some cases, the person who prepared the lists wrote a wrong date,
- 7 for example, by putting> the date -- the year 1979 <instead>.
- 8 Again, I looked at the <format and the> typography of the
- 9 documents to make sure that they were prepared during> Khmer
- 10 Rouge<>. And some documents bear the signatures and the logo <of
- 12 the documents<, and their names at the bottom>.
- 13 Q. How did you, Madam Witness, differentiate between a document
- 14 from S-21 and a document from, for instance, a division prison or
- 15 a zone or district security centre?
- 16 A. < I mainly dealt with S-21 lists.>First, I <looked> at the top
- 17 page -- the top of the page. <>There was a logo on the top saying
- 18 that S-21. And the heading say -- says "List of incoming
- 19 prisoners" <or ">list of prisoners who were sent to some certain
- 20 places<". This is the initial step I had to follow in order to
- 21 screen for the documents.>
- 22 <Secondly, as regards to documents> sectors<, they have their own
- 23 features. So> I could make a <distinction> between <>these <two
- 24 types of > documents.
- 25 [09.51.39]

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- 1 Q. Well, let's make it concrete, then.
- 2 Mr. President, with your leave, I would like to hand a binder
- 3 that we have prepared for the witness with some documents,
- 4 underlying documents, documents that we are also able to show on
- 5 the screen. And while discussing these documents, I have some
- 6 questions.
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Yes, please proceed.
- 9 [09.52.26]
- 10 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 11 Q. For the parties, my first example -- Madam Witness, you will
- 12 find that in your binder at number 1 -- are documents E3/9850,
- 13 E3/2093 and E3/10416.
- 14 Madam Witness, have you been able to find the examples? And maybe
- 15 we can start by putting E3/9850 on the screen.
- 16 For your background, Madam Witness, and then you will understand
- 17 my question, we believe that these are documents or examples of
- 18 documents without any S-21 label or reference.
- 19 So E3/9850 is now on the screen. Maybe we can start with that
- 20 document.
- 21 If I am -- if I understood correctly from my Khmer colleagues,
- 22 there is no reference to the letter and numbers S-21 at all. How
- 23 did you establish, for instance, that this particular document
- 24 is, in fact, an S-21 document?
- 25 [09.54.25]

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- 1 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 2 A. Let me clarify that this <>document <is> from S-21. This is
- 3 the list of -- of the incoming <pri>prisoners with a specific date.
- 4 This is a list of the> daily <incoming prisoners>.
- 5 <I have a few reasons as to why> I say that<. First, the term
- 6 "original name" was used. Currently, we do not use the term, but
- 7 "first name" and "surname" instead. They also have columns for
- 8 alias, age, sex, and place of origin. Currently, the term "place
- 9 of origin" was not used that commonly.>
- 10 And there is a column of position<. So> I <focussed on the
- 11 format, the typography, and the number of columns. Its format of
- 12 columns is different from other documents.>
- 13 <I can tell you that there> are many documents of this type in
- 14 the list <I have prepared as these are the> lists <> of incoming
- 15 prisoners.
- 16 O. But how did you exclude possibility that there wasn't some
- 17 other security centre using the exact same format?
- 18 A. If -- it is difficult for me to respond to your question since
- 19 you do not show me the exact document <> you want to know. <I can
- 20 tell you from my experience that> there are different formats
- 21 compared to the formats used by S-21.
- 22 [09.56.39]
- 23 Q. Well, I used one example and I showed you E3/9850 doesn't have
- 24 an S-21 label, but you said because of the format, etc., it must
- 25 be an S-21 document. My question, again, how did you exclude the

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- 1 possibility that there might have been another security centre,
- 2 maybe S-22, S-23, maybe somewhere in the province using the exact
- 3 same layout?
- 4 A. Based on the experience I worked on the S-21 lists,
- 5 particularly lists of incoming prisoners, I looked at the layout
- 6 or format and types of the documents. <When I mention of the
- 7 layout or format, I am actually referring to the way they typed.>
- 8 For instance, Krang Ta Chan security office, they -- those
- 9 offices <used> different types of layouts or format<, not this
- 10 type layout.>
- 11 Q. Well, let me move to another example, that is, your example
- 12 number 2 in your binder.
- 13 Mr. President, this is E3/10398.
- 14 Madam Witness, this is a document also without any reference to
- 15 S-21, but with the label of the Lon Nol regime on it.
- 16 JUDGE FENZ:
- 17 Can you put it on the screen?
- 18 [09.58.26]
- 19 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 20 Yes. E3/10398, a document without any S-21 reference and with a
- 21 reference to the former Lon Nol regime. It should be on the
- 22 screen shortly.
- 23 Here it is. Number 4 may be in your binder.
- Q. Maybe just have a look. There's some confusion as to the
- 25 example number. We will check that in the break, Madam Witness.

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- 1 But it is E3/10398. We'll put it again on the screen.
- 2 This is a document without any reference to S-21, but with a
- 3 reference to the Lon Nol regime.
- 4 There we have it. And my question is, how do you know that this
- 5 is an S-21 document?
- 6 [10.00.33]
- 7 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 8 A. Regarding this document, the year <on this list> is 1977, <and
- 9 it is> the annual list of prisoners. It does not say <anywhere
- 10 regarding> the former Lon Nol soldiers.
- 11 Q. Let me ask you -- but let me ask, Madam Witness, how do you
- 12 know that this is, in fact, an S-21 document, E3/10398?
- 13 A. I think this is a <personal note> of the <person> who <was in
- 14 charge> the <lists. To my memory,> I did not <incorporate> this
- 15 document <into my list, firstly. And secondly,> the names <on>
- 16 this document are the names of prisoners at S-21 because some of
- 17 the names -- I have seen some of the names in other lists. And
- 18 this is a draft report before <that person actually typed it
- 19 down. The person did use the sheet left over from the Lon Nol
- 20 regime. Anyway, only the sheet he used was from the Lon Nol
- 21 regime, not the content on the sheet. It could have been his
- 22 personal handwriting note before he actually typewrote it>.
- 23 <Anyway, the> names of <those> people in this report also have --
- 24 also -- are also available <on> the list -- <> that I <have
- 25 prepared. Again, I did not incorporate this document into my

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- 1 list.>
- 2 Q. Well, I'm not sure if I understood correctly everything you
- 3 said, but you have used this particular document in your list,
- 4 more specifically in your list number 1968, 1968, you used this
- 5 particular document for a prisoner named Hing Sokhom. So again,
- 6 I'm still not sure if I understand. Why are you saying that this
- 7 is an S-21 document?
- 8 [10.03.58]
- 9 MR. LYSAK:
- 10 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 11 I don't know if counsel gave her the OCIJ number reference. I may
- 12 have missed it. But the OCIJ number for this person is 1968. And
- 13 if you look there, you'll see that, in addition to the document
- 14 that counsel is questioning her about, there are three -- at
- 15 least three other S-21 records that are listed for that prisoner.
- 16 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 17 That might very well be the issue, and I did mention 1968 just
- 18 now.
- 19 O. My question is only about this document, Madam Witness, and my
- 20 question remains. Why did you use this document as a source for
- 21 your list? Why is it an S-21 document?
- 22 [10.05.07]
- 23 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 24 A. Please refer to the serial number in my list <again> since I
- 25 cannot locate it.

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 <The follow-up question was not in line with the response.> The
- 3 witness responded that she did not refer to this document in her
- 4 list, but in your case, your question put to her is that she
- 5 referred to this document in her list. <You asked her to provide
- 6 you evidence by referring to the list. > But the witness clearly
- 7 states that she did not refer to this document in drawing up <the
- 8 updated> list <of S-21 prisoners>, so it seems that your
- 9 follow-up question contradicts to her previous response.
- 10 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 11 I don't think so, Mr. President, unless you know all the
- 12 entrances by heart.
- 13 Q. But if you look at your laptop, maybe, Madam Witness, and look
- 14 at your entrance 1968 in your Excel sheet, and there you can see
- 15 that this particular document is being used, among others, for
- 16 listing Hing Sokhom.
- 17 Maybe it will be helpful if you look at your list, 675. Have you
- 18 found it?
- 19 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 20 A. I still cannot locate it.
- 21 [10.07.12]
- 22 Q. Well, to prevent further problems, we have a number in your
- 23 Excel sheet you made. It's entry number 1968 for a prisoner named
- 24 Hing Sokhom. And as a source for this particular person being a
- 25 prisoner, I understand that you have used E3/10398.

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- 1 My question is, why have you used that document?
- 2 A. Allow me to clarify again. In my list, that is, for serial
- 3 number 1968, the name is Hing Sokhom. Am I correct?
- 4 Q. Correct.
- 5 A. However, in my list, it seems that I do not refer to this
- 6 particular document. And second, I examine this document that you
- 7 provided to me, and that name does not seem to appear on this
- 8 document.
- 9 [10.08.17]
- 10 Q. I'm not sure where things go wrong, but let me revisit the
- 11 issue after the break and I'll move on.
- 12 MR. LYSAK:
- 13 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 14 I think the problem may be that the witness is using her original
- 15 version, so she's looking at a list that probably only has the
- 16 DC-Cam numbers on it. So the DC-Cam number for what is E3/10398
- 17 is D14825. So I think perhaps it might be necessary -- I know
- 18 that we created a version of the list where we added E3 numbers,
- 19 but it may be necessary for this purpose that you -- counsel
- 20 reference both the DC-Cam number because then she'll be able to
- 21 see that in the list.
- 22 MR. KOPPE:
- 23 I'm not sure if I follow, Mr. President. We have been using these
- 24 Excel entry numbers all the time, and these are unique numbers.
- 25 They are running from 1 till 15,102, so I presume that if I refer

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- 1 to the Excel entry number that that should be very clear to the
- 2 witness because she made that list. If I'm wrong, please inform.
- 3 [10.10.19]
- 4 MR. LYSAK:
- 5 The problem is not the number of the -- on the OCIJ list; it's
- 6 the E3 number. You asked the -- asked the witness whether she
- 7 used E3/10398. She's looking at a list, probably, that only has
- 8 the DC-Cam numbers, so she doesn't see that E3 number, E3/10398.
- 9 She sees --
- 10 MR. KOPPE:
- 11 That's not correct because I gave her a physical copy of -- I
- 12 gave her a binder with physical copy, so she actually has it in
- 13 front of her. I mean, she's not disputing the fact that she has
- 14 that physical document in front of her.
- 15 [10.10.57]
- 16 MR. LYSAK:
- 17 You're -- that's not -- in looking at her spreadsheet, you asked
- 18 her whether she used that in her spreadsheet. Her spreadsheet
- 19 only has -- I'm guessing the only she's looking at only has the
- 20 DC-Cam number, not the E3 number of the document.
- 21 MR. KOPPE:
- 22 Counsel to Khieu Samphan team was so kind to provide me a DC-Cam
- 23 number, then, D14825.
- 24 Oh, it's my team. Sorry.
- 25 Maybe that will help, D14825.

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- 1 This doesn't change the fact that it's still puzzling, Mr.
- 2 President, why the witness doesn't have the unique entry numbers
- 3 of the Excel sheet.
- 4 (Short pause)
- 5 [10.12.10]
- 6 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 7 Allow me to respond. I did not refer to this document when I
- 8 found his name. First of all, I referred to the list of the
- 9 incoming prisoners. As for this document, his name appears on <a>
- 10 document which was handwritten, so it means that his name already
- 11 appeared on the incoming prisoners. And that is why I added his
- 12 name to the list.
- 13 And in this list, it also mentions that his document was made,
- 14 that is, he had been interrogated.
- 15 And there were 11 copies, but what I want to say is that I
- 16 referred to the initial documents, that is, documents that
- 17 mentions that he entered S-21.
- 18 As for this document, it <was> handwritten by a staff at S-21.
- 19 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 20 Q. Or so you assume.
- 21 [10.13.55]
- 22 JUDGE FENZ:
- 23 Can I intervene?
- 24 Is there anything beside the fact that this name appears on this
- 25 document that makes you believe that this document was created in

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- 1 S-21 between '75 and '79, or is the only indication this name,
- 2 which is corroborated by various other documents?
- 3 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 4 First of all, I relied on his existing name of the incoming
- 5 prisoners. Second, regarding the layout of the person who
- 6 <registered> the prisoners, in addition, the columns which were
- 7 prepared and which is consistent with the typed column, that is,
- 8 the <original> names, <alias> and the position as well as the
- 9 number of documents regarding a particular prisoner or the
- 10 documents referred to what he answered. And that is based on the
- 11 documents that I examined.
- 12 [10.15.30]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 It is now convenient time for a short break. The Chamber will
- 16 take a break now and resume at 10.30 a.m. to continue our
- 17 proceedings.
- 18 Court officer, please assist the witness at the waiting room
- 19 reserved for witnesses and please invite the witness and the
- 20 legal officer to the courtroom at 10.30 a.m.
- 21 The Court is now in recess.
- 22 (Court recesses from 1016H to 1033H)
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Please be seated.
- 25 The Court is now back in session and the Chamber hands the floor

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- 1 to the defence team for Mr. Nuon Chea to resume the questioning.
- 2 You may now proceed.
- 3 MR. KOPPE:
- 4 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 5 One brief unrelated matter before I go, Mr. President. Does the
- 6 Chamber already know whether the video link testimony of
- 7 tomorrow's witness will actually happen? I'm asking because of
- 8 preparation issues.
- 9 [10.34.10]
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 The Chamber will inform all parties this afternoon or the latest
- 12 tomorrow.
- 13 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 14 All right.
- 15 Q. Good morning again, Madam Witness. I'll move away from
- 16 examples of particular documents.
- 17 Before the break, we discussed briefly your background, some
- 18 general methodology issues, authenticity, chain of custody, etc.
- 19 I would like to move now to another subject, and that is the
- 20 selection of documents, specifically which documents were used.
- 21 [10.35.02]
- 22 Just to bring into memory again, according to a memo from the
- 23 OCIJ, you have reviewed 13,383 contemporaneous records. However,
- 24 to create that Excel sheet with those 15,000 plus names, you have
- 25 used only 871 documents.

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- 1 My question is, first of all, how did that number from 13,383 go
- 2 down all the way until 871 documents that you ultimately ended up
- 3 using for your list?
- 4 MR. LYSAK:
- 5 Mr. President, I'd just ask this number of 871, I'm not
- 6 objecting, necessarily, but I think counsel should explain how he
- 7 came up with that number just so that it can be verified by the
- 8 Chamber and the other parties.
- 9 [10.36.23]
- 10 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 11 That's actually not me who did that; it's the memo of the OCIJ,
- 12 E443/1.2. That's where I derived these numbers from. So it's not
- 13 me who did that.
- 14 Q. So again, my question, can you explain to the Chamber how
- 15 those 13,383 documents -- let me rephrase.
- 16 How did you end up using only 871 documents? What was the
- 17 selection process? Can you shed some light on that, please?
- 18 Thank you.
- 19 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 20 A. In the list, I selected those names <> from the list of
- 21 incoming prisoners, and prisoners started to enter into that
- 22 location from <1976, 1977, 1978 and> 1979. So <among all the
- 23 lists of prisoners, > I selected <only the initial lists of
- 24 incoming prisoners>.
- 25 And as for the 871 documents, <they were> the lists of prisoners

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- 1 that I checked. As for some other documents besides <these
- 2 documents>, I have not taken <examined as I mainly focussed on
- 3 the lists of incoming prisoners>.
- 4 [10.38.37]
- 5 Q. Without going into specific or exact numbers, I'm still not
- 6 sure if I understand completely.
- 7 When compiling this Excel list, you apparently set aside roughly
- 8 12 and a half -- 12 and a half thousand documents. Can you
- 9 explain why you didn't use the bulk, the vast majority of the
- 10 documents in compiling the OCIJ list?
- 11 A. Let me clarify once again. I looked at the list of incoming
- 12 prisoners based on the year. <I focused on the lists of incoming
- 13 prisoners in those years. For instance, > I worked on the sts
- 14 of incoming prisoners in> 1976<, and the lists of> incoming
- 15 prisoners <in 1977. The lists of prisoners I only selected to
- 16 work on the> lists of incoming prisoners<. And based on these
- 17 lists of> incoming prisoners<, I> then <> would go to check other
- 18 documents <regarding lists of prisoners. For instance, the name>
- 19 brought up <br/>by you a moment ago, the person appeared on the
- 20 serial number of 1968 on> my list<>.
- 21 Again, first I <collected all the lists of> incoming prisoner<;>
- 22 for example, <lists of prisoners in> 1976. And <only when we knew
- 23 that> the name appeared in the <S-21> lists <and> that
- 24 <individual's name had been registered> in S-21 <lists would> I
- 25 <>go <and search for additional documents relevant to the

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- 1 individual>. However, on some cases, <particularly in 1976,> the
- 2 <person> who was in charge of <making> the lists <of incoming</pre>
- 3 prisoners> was not quite sure<; meaning that, he only asked for a</pre>
- 4 prisoner's name, position and place of origin. And since he had
- 5 not asked for other things, we had to search for other relevant
- 6 information regarding those prisoners. This methodology was
- 7 applied when I was drawing up the list. So I examined the lists
- 8 of incoming prisoners in a chronological order. And only after it
- 9 was confirmed that a prisoner had been registered on the S-21
- 10 list did we start searching for additional and relevant
- 11 information about him or her>.
- 12 [10.41.07]
- 13 <>
- 14 Q. I'm not entirely sure if I follow, but let me try it
- 15 differently and let me refer to a memo from the International
- 16 Co-Investigating Judge, E393.1. That's a memo to Judge Kong Srim
- 17 and Judge Nil Nonn, 30 March 2016, where he describes the applied
- 18 methodology and under point 4, he says the following:
- 19 "In total, 13,383 documents were reviewed, all of which can be
- 20 categorized as follows:
- 21 "a) S-21 prisoner entry Log (that could be daily logs or monthly
- 22 logs)
- 23 "b) Biography of S-21 prisoners
- 24 "c) S-21 Log prepared by S-21 staff with respect to the condition
- 25 of prisoners

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- 1 "d) S-21 list of prisoners interrogated (Interrogation lists),
- 2 and
- 3 "e) S-21 prisoner execution logs."
- 4 [10.42.58]
- 5 So five separate categories, apparently, can be distinguished.
- 6 My question is: Is it correct that all 13,383 documents can be
- 7 divided or categorized in these five categories or is it only the
- 8 documents that you have used for your Excel sheets -- Excel sheet
- 9 that can be categorized thus?
- 10 A. The documents of 13 thousand plus, which I examined, of --
- 11 these documents were examined by me and after that, <only 871 out
- 12 of these documents were based in order to draw up my list. The
- 13 five categories of documents mentioned in the memorandum of> the
- 14 <International> Co-Investigating Judge issued < on 30 March 2016
- 15 were formulated by basing on my list or> the 871 documents <of
- 16 reference>.
- 17 Q. Let me try it differently; maybe my questions are not very
- 18 clear. I apologize, Madam Witness, but let me give you an
- 19 example. Confessions from prisoners, were they included in the
- 20 number of 13,383; yes or no?
- 21 A. I <only> referred to the lists of confessions from S-21 --
- 22 from Tuol Sleng Museum, rather. The heading of those documents
- 24 example; however, after my examination of those documents, <I
- 25 found that> those documents <were more likely> biographies. <So I

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- 1 did not use actually use the confessions of prisoners from S-21.>
- 2 [10.46.05]
- 3 O. Maybe if you can answer just yes or no. Confessions from
- 4 prisoners, were they included in that number of 13,383; yes or
- 5 no?
- 6 A. Are you saying that I <> used <all> those confessions; I am
- 7 not sure with your question?
- 8 Q. No, it is clear to me in order to make your Excel list, you
- 9 used 871 documents; however, you examined many more documents,
- 10 almost 13 and a half thousand.
- 11 My question is: In that number of 13 and a half thousand, were
- 12 there also confessions included?
- 13 A. There was a list of confessions.
- 14 Q. Can you roughly indicate how many documents of those 13
- 15 hundred and -- 13,383 were confessions from prisoners?
- 17 Sleng <museum>. I did not <actually incorporate any individual's>
- 18 confession per se <into the list. I referred to the list of
- 19 confessions prepared by staff members of the> Tuol Sleng <museum.
- 20 In fact, it is the compiled list of those gave confessions>.
- 21 [10.47.27]
- 22 JUDGE FENZ:
- 23 May I just ask to clarify? So you are talking about one document,
- 24 which listed confessions; you are not talking about death
- 25 confessions, the documents on which the confessions were written;

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- 1 is that correct?
- 2 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 3 That is correct.
- 4 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 5 Q. Are you -- are you, nevertheless, in a position to say,
- 6 approximately, how many confessions there are -- how many
- 7 confessions of prisoners are in the possession either of DC-Cam
- 8 or the Tuol Sleng Museum?
- 9 [10.49.50]
- 10 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 11 A. <Allow me to make a clarification.> I <actually> used the list
- 12 <of confessions> prepared by a staff of Tuol Sleng and that
- 13 document <can be found on the casefile, that is> E3/2775. That is
- 14 the list of confessions <that> I used<>.
- 15 Q. That is clear to me. My question is: In your two years of work
- 16 -- 24 months of analysis, are you in the position to,
- 17 approximately, say how many confessions there are; confessions
- 18 either in the possession of Tuol Sleng Museum or confessions in
- 19 the possession of DC-Cam? Is it possible for you to give any
- 20 approximate number?
- 21 A. In <> my list, based on <E3/393.3, the list of references of
- 22 871 documents, some of which are titled> confessions and <> there
- 23 are 27 confessions<. You may refer to the list of 871 references,
- 24 and you would see> 27 documents <of them> have the title of
- 25 confessions, but <when you go into> those documents, you can see

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- 1 that <most of them more likely prisoners'> biographies <made in
- 2 1976>.
- 3 [10.52.38]
- 4 Q. So just to be clear, but it wasn't an answer to my question,
- 5 but you are admitting that you have used confessions in the OCIJ
- 6 list.
- 7 But my question is: Can you estimate, roughly, how many
- 8 confessions there are? Let me ask it in a different way. There is
- 9 an historian, an expert also to this Court, David Chandler, and
- 10 he wrote a book about S-21. This was admitted as E3/1684. I'm
- 11 referring to English, ERN 00192685; Khmer, 001981 -- excuse me -
- 12 835; French, 00357268. He refers to, according to his research,
- 13 that roughly 4,300 confessions have come to light so far. Is that
- 14 a number that you can, somehow, confirm?
- 15 JUDGE FENZ:
- 16 Can we clarify when "so far" was said?
- 17 MR. KOPPE:
- 18 I presume the moment he wrote his book. I believe -- I will give
- 19 you the year shortly; I don't know it by heart.
- 20 [10.54.03]
- 21 JUDGE FENZ:
- 22 It's just a fair addition if you ask the witness the question.
- 23 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 24 Q. With a brief caveat, Madam Witness, Historian Chandler, when
- 25 he researched the archives -- when he wrote his book, he said

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- 1 that at moment of publication of his book, 4,300 confessions had
- 2 come to light so far.
- 3 My question: Is that a number that you can, somehow, corroborate;
- 4 is that a number that you have, somehow, been able to establish
- 5 yourself as well?
- 6 [10.55.06]
- 7 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 8 A. In the list of S-21 prisoners compiled -- drawn up by a staff
- 9 of Tuol Sleng Museum, there are around 4,000 confessions. Again,
- 10 I would like to inform the Chamber that I compared the list of
- 11 confessions prepared by a staff of Tuol Sleng with the list that
- 12 I have. After I <had> prepared a list, then I compared my list
- 13 with the list drawn up by a staff of Tuol Sleng to make sure
- 14 <whether or not> those <some 4,000 names on their lists> are also
- 15 available in my list<, firstly. And secondly, since the> list of
- 16 incoming prisoners and list of outgoing prisoners are different<,
- 17 I cannot tell you whose figure is more accurate. Again, I have
- 18 drawn my list by basing on the documents I have collected and
- 19 examined.>
- 20 Q. I'm sure I'm -- I haven't asked the question properly, but
- 21 I'll move --
- 22 JUDGE FENZ:
- 23 Let me try one last time. Do you have any idea, Witness, today,
- 24 how many confessions do exist in S-21 or in DC-Cam; do you know
- 25 or do you not know? Forget lists, did somebody tell you; did you

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- 1 count them for whatever reason? Can you tell us how many
- 2 confessions still exist today or can you not? It's also possible
- 3 to say, "I don't know".
- 4 [10.56.58]
- 5 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 6 I do not know about that since I, myself, did not examine each
- 7 and every confession of S-21.
- 8 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 9 Q. That's clear now. Thank you, Madam Witness.
- 10 Another potential source of information would be S-21
- 11 photographs. It's not mentioned in the memo of the International
- 12 Co-Investigating Judge of 30 March, but have you, in your
- 13 analysis, used photographs to reach certain conclusions? Are
- 14 photographs part of the 13,383 documents that you have analyzed?
- 15 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 16 A. I have not yet examined those photographs.
- 17 [10.58.22]
- 18 Q. Same question as in respect of the confessions; are you,
- 19 nevertheless, able, somehow, to say how many photographs of
- 20 prisoners have been found or are present in either the DC-Cam
- 21 archive or the Tuol Sleng Museum archives? Do you know how many
- 22 photos there are of prisoners?
- 23 A. Regarding photographs, I, actually, do not know the number.
- 24 MR. KOPPE:
- 25 Just very, very briefly, Mr. President, I have here a list of --

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- 1 or a book full with photos of S-21, that is, document E3/9837. We
- 2 have used it quite extensively in our examination of witnesses.
- 3 May I just briefly hand it over to the witness and ask the
- 4 witness to go through it and just to have her confirm that she
- 5 never used, or maybe she did, these photographs?
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Yes, please.
- 8 (Short pause)
- 9 [11.00.31]
- 10 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 11 Q. As you see, it's not only photos, but on the back side of each
- 12 photo are prisoner data and bio information, etc. Have you ever
- 13 used these photos in your analysis?
- 14 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 15 A. I have never used these photos. <Pursuant to the memo of the
- 16 International Co-Investigating Judge, > I have not <examined the
- 17 list of > all of these photos.
- 18 Q. Does that even look familiar to you, these photos with, on the
- 19 backside, information; have you ever seen these photos before?
- 20 A. Yes, I have seen them at the Tuol Sleng Museum, though I
- 21 cannot recall any specific photo. As for these small photos with
- 22 the handwriting on the back, this is the first time that I see
- 23 them.
- 24 [11.01.54]
- 25 Q. Are you in a position to say why it is that your office has

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- 1 not included these photos in the data in the analysis; is -- do
- 2 you know if there was some kind of decision-making process?
- 3 A. I only worked on the <lists of> incoming prisoner<s> and my
- 4 time period was limited, that is, a period of two years. And I
- 5 also <worked> on <>certain <lists> of incoming prisoners; for
- 6 example, for the incoming prisoners for the year of 1976, I
- 7 <dedicated> certain months to <thoroughly> work on them before I
- 8 <moved> on and, for that reason, I did not have time to examine
- 9 those photos, as indicated in the memo by the International
- 10 Co-Investigating Judge, <among the five columns highlighted on
- 11 the list, no photos were examined due to the time limitation.
- 12 Q. I understand or maybe I don't.
- 13 Madam Witness, another question: Just before the recess, the
- 14 Chamber obtained an original, orange-coloured log book of S-21;
- 15 are you aware of this? Have you -- have you seen this original,
- 16 orange log book just about, I would say, three weeks ago?
- 17 A. Please refer to it or please show me which <particular>
- 18 document that you are referring to <when you mentioned of the
- 19 orange log book>.
- 20 [11.04.10]
- 21 O. That would be a bit difficult.
- 22 Mr. President, you might recall that before the recess, I
- 23 requested, in the very last day, to have WESU contact the witness
- 24 to have her show that original, orange log book that was provided
- 25 to us by the German filmmaker. Apparently, that hasn't happened,

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- 1 but may I request that maybe CMS together with WESU, in the lunch
- 2 break, could show this orange log book to the witness just so
- 3 that we are sure that she knows what we are speaking about?
- 4 Now, let me move on to some general issues of numbers. We
- 5 mentioned this number before, Madam Witness. In your list, you
- 6 have a total of 15,102 prisoner entries; is that correct you have
- 7 established that, according to you, 15,102 prisoners have entered
- 8 and have been detained at S-21?
- 9 A. Allow me to clarify it again. In my list, the prisoner entries
- 10 was 15,101 and it's not <15,102. And it is the figure of incoming
- 11 prisoners.>
- 12 [11.06.20]
- 13 Q. I'm sorry; that's my mistake, 15,101.
- 14 You have listed in your OCIJ list various columns -- various
- 15 categories being, for instance, the date of arrest, date of
- 16 execution; are you in a position -- and, of course, if you would
- 17 like to have a look at your Excel sheet, that is no problem at
- 18 all, but are you -- are you in the position to confirm that of
- 19 15,102 prisoners that only -- let's skip the word "only" -- 5,512
- 20 prisoners have a date of execution? Is that something that you
- 21 can confirm; are our calculations correct?
- 22 A. Regarding the number of <documents on> prisoners who were
- 23 executed, I relied on the original incoming prisoners <br/>by
- 24 examining them in a chronological order>; then we tried to find
- 25 other <lists or documents> to check whether the prisoners were

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- 1 sent to be smashed or executed.
- 2 And in the spreadsheet that you showed -- and, as I indicated, my
- 3 time period was limited -- I did not focus fully on the sts>
- 4 of prisoners who were executed, but my focus -- my main focus was
- 5 on the ts> of incoming prisoners <to S-21>. However, there
- 6 were instances that I referred to those documents, that is,
- 7 first, the incoming prisoners' list and then, I referred to the
- 8 date of execution.
- 9 [11.08.46]
- 10 From my recollection, I used several of these documents <that
- 11 were made in> December <in 1978> because <after> the first or
- 12 second day of December, there were only lists of prisoners who
- 13 were executed and no <more lists> of prisoners who were brought
- 14 in. And, as I said, first, I had to rely on the incoming
- 15 prisoners' list based on <their dates and> the year and as in the
- 16 case of December 1978, the incoming prisoners' list only existed
- 17 for the 1st and the 2nd of December and, for that reason, I had
- 18 to refer to the list of prisoners who were executed. <Other than
- 19 this, no such lists were used. > So you may refer to the columns
- 20 in my list and you may know which documents that I refer to.
- 21 [11.09.49]
- 22 Q. I appreciate that there might be a margin of error, but
- 23 roughly speaking -- approximately speaking, would it be fair to
- 24 conclude that, based on your list, approximately one-third of the
- 25 alleged S-21 prisoners have a date of execution?

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- 1 MR. LYSAK:
- 2 Mr. President, I -- my objection to this question is that the
- 3 witness has just testified that she didn't do an exhaustive
- 4 review based on -- of the execution lists, so counsel is leading
- 5 and asking a question that is not -- doesn't comport with the
- 6 testimony the witness has just given.
- 7 [11.10.43]
- 8 MR. KOPPE:
- 9 Well, I do not agree with that observation, Mr. President. Either
- 10 someone is executed or someone isn't executed; it's not -- it's
- 11 quite a binary conclusion, so I'm not quite sure what it means
- 12 that she hasn't done exhaustive analysis.
- 13 We might -- we might come to that if we have time, but my
- 14 question simple is whether our calculations on the -- based on
- 15 the Excel sheets that we have done, are approximately correct and
- 16 that is an answer I think she is able to give.
- 17 So my question simply is: 15,102 prisoners' entries, is it
- 18 correct that 5,512 prisoners have, apparently, a known date of
- 19 execution?
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Witness, you may respond to this question and the objection by
- 22 the OCP is overruled.
- 23 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 24 A. Allow me to respond. Yes, that is correct; I did not focus
- 25 <the lists> of prisoners who were executed, but I <focused> on

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- 1 the sts> of incoming prisoners at S-21.
- 2 [11.12.28]
- 3 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 4 Q. I'm not going to examples, but it seems that from this number,
- 5,512, approximately 76 people have not died from execution, but
- 6 rather from diseases. My question, in general: If someone died of
- 7 a disease, did you, nevertheless, list that person as being
- 8 executed?
- 9 MS. HIN SOTHEANY;
- 10 A. Generally speaking, in the list of executed prisoners,
- 11 sometimes, for example, they mention, allow me to say, on the 1st
- of January '78, that 100 people had to be smashed; however, there
- 13 was a note at the end of the documents that there were five who
- 14 died from diseases. This is the kind of documents that I used to
- 15 see. However, in my list, I focused and relied on the incoming
- 16 prisoners' list and if there was a note at the end that this
- 17 person had died from disease, then I may make a reference to that
- 18 note in -- from that list, that is, from the original document.
- 19 But for me, I did not focus on the list of prisoners who were
- 20 executed or who died from diseases and if you have any specific
- 21 documents that you may want to refer to, please show that to me.
- 22 [11.14.24]
- 23 JUDGE FENZ:
- 24 But you didn't list somebody who died of a disease as executed;
- 25 is that correct? You didn't lump all the dead under executed, but

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- 1 if somebody died of a disease, you made a reference and if he was
- 2 executed, then he was put down as executed; is that true?
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Judge Jean-Marc Lavergne, you have the floor.
- 5 JUDGE FENZ:
- 6 Can I get an answer for the record? Is the -- is what I said
- 7 true? You have to say something; your head doesn't show on the
- 8 record.
- 9 I note for the record that she is nodding her head. So you agree
- 10 with what I said, yes?
- 11 [11.15.32]
- 12 MR. KOPPE:
- 13 I -- I'm not sure if --
- 14 JUDGE FENZ:
- 15 Okay, then --
- 16 MR. KOPPE:
- 17 Maybe --
- 18 JUDGE FENZ:
- 19 No, no, I don't want --
- 20 MR. KOPPE:
- 21 -- the legal officer should intervene. I'm not sure if she
- 22 understands the question.
- 23 JUDGE FENZ:
- Okay, let me try again. Did you make a difference between people
- 25 who died of a disease and people who were executed in your list?

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- 1 [11.16.02]
- 2 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 3 A. If the document states that, for example, this is the list of
- 4 executed prisoners and if <> one of the prisoners had a note that
- 5 a person died from disease or from other cause, then I would
- 6 refer to that. However, as for the differentiation between
- 7 prisoners who die from diseases or prisoners who were executed, I
- 8 did not make that differentiation and I only <referred> to notes
- 9 from the original documents.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Judge Lavergne, you have the floor.
- 12 [11.16.48]
- 13 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 14 Yes, thank you, Mr. President. In order for us to be perfectly
- 15 clear on this, I did not see, on the list established by Mrs. Hin
- 16 Sotheany, a column indicating whether a prisoner was executed or
- 17 not; however, in the document used for <reference> purposes<>,
- 18 she referred to documents in which <it was mentioned that>
- 19 witnesses <> were either declared as executed or as having died
- 20 of ill health. In some cases, the <titles of the> documents were
- 21 lists of executed prisoners, but in addition to that, there was
- 22 the indication that some prisoners had not been executed, but
- 23 died of ill health; did I properly understand you?
- 24 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 25 A. Yes<, Mr. President>.

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- 1 [11.17.40]
- 2 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 3 Well, maybe it -- it's wise to use an example. Madam Witness, let
- 4 me refer you to your binder, examples 7 and 8. That -- these are,
- 5 respectively, documents E3/3181 and E3/8460. It seems -- and
- 6 correct me if I'm wrong -- that these are names of prisoners who
- 7 died on the 3rd of October 1977 of disease, but they are,
- 8 nevertheless, according to you, executed while at S-21.
- 9 So if you can have -- let me be very concrete. In document
- 10 E3/3181, we see a prisoner named Thao Nhoeb alias Them; in the
- 11 Excel sheet, he is number 3476 and he has as a date of execution
- 12 the 3rd of October 1977. So that's a very concrete example, Madam
- 13 Witness. It's a 39-year-old male, Thao Nhoeb alias Them, member
- of the Protocol Section, Office B-1, entry date 1 April 1977.
- 15 Apparently, he died of a disease on the 3rd of October 1977;
- 16 however, in your list, he is listed as being executed on the 3rd
- 17 of October 1977; can you explain that?
- 18 [11.20.05]
- 19 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 20 A. Allow me to clarify it. In my list, <> he appears at <33476>;
- 21 his name is Thao Nhoeb; is that correct?
- 22 O. Yes.
- 23 A. Could you please refer to the document number that you just
- 24 quoted since I cannot locate it?
- 25 Q. It's in your binder under number 7. Our E3 number is E3/3181.

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- 1 JUDGE FENZ:
- 2 Is that the one with the sickness?
- 3 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 4 That's -- yes, that's that particular document, E3/383181 (sic);
- 5 it's a list called, "Names of Prisoners Died on 3 October '77,"
- 6 died of disease and I just have one example; it's Thao Nhoeb
- 7 alias Them, male 39, taken from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 8 and his function was a Member of Protocol Section, Office B-1,
- 9 entry date 1-4-'77. He appears on the OCIJ list as number 3476
- 10 and here it says, "Date of Execution 3 October 1977".
- 11 Q. Would that be an error then assuming disease -- dying of
- 12 disease is not the same as execution?
- 13 [11.22.09]
- 14 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 15 A. <According to> the documents that I reviewed, the document's
- 16 title is names of <> prisoners died on 3rd October '77 -- died of
- 17 disease and in reference to this document, I put a note in
- 18 English that the -- this prisoner died of disease on that
- 19 particular day <--that is, the 3rd October 1977 as indicated by
- 20 the reference>.
- 21 And you asked me whether I differentiated between the prisoners
- 22 who were executed and those prisoners who died from diseases, I
- 23 can tell you that I had already referenced this prisoner that <he
- 24 or> she died of disease.
- 25 Q. May -- maybe you have a different version of the OCIJ list

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- 1 than I have, but if I look at number 3476, I do not see a
- 2 specific, separate category of this person having died of a
- 3 disease; can you tell us where you indicated this?
- 4 JUDGE FENZ:
- 5 Would it be possible to put this on the screen and we can
- 6 compare?
- 7 [11.23.45]
- 8 MR. KOPPE:
- 9 It seems to be a bit difficult to put it on the screen. Let me --
- 10 JUDGE FENZ:
- 11 Just to be sure that we all have the same list.
- 12 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 13 Yes, well, I hope there's only one list, but because of time, may
- 14 I move on to another subject which is important to us and maybe
- 15 we'll get back to it.
- 16 Q. That's another statistics which we find interesting, Madam
- 17 Witness.
- 18 Is it, approximately, correct that of the 15,102 entries, 700
- 19 persons are listed as wives of other people and that among these
- 20 700 persons only 202 persons are listed as, solely, wife of? In
- 21 other words, the other ones have a category "wife of",
- 22 subsequently, their position within the DK and that 200 of the
- 23 15,000 are listed as, solely, being the wife of someone else; is
- 24 that a figure that you can confirm, approximately, of course?
- 25 [11.25.45]

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- 1 MS. HIN SOTHEANY;
- 2 A. Regarding the available references that I have, if any
- 3 document states that person A was the wife of a person B, then I
- 4 would use that information in my list; however, as for a -- the
- 5 certain number of wives, out of those number of wives, for
- 6 example, 200 or something, as you indicated, I did not make that
- 7 distinction in my list.
- 8 MR. KOPPE:
- 9 I understand.
- 10 Mr. President, I do have some more questions, but we need to also
- 11 save about 15 or 20 minutes for the Khieu Samphan team, so I will
- 12 stop here.
- 13 [11.26.40]
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Thank you and the floor is now given to the Co-Prosecutors to put
- 16 questions to the witness.
- 17 QUESTIONING BY MR. LYSAK:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 19 Good morning, Madam Witness. I want to just follow up on this
- 20 issue about how prisoners who died of disease were treated
- 21 because we left that hanging there.
- 22 Q. In your OCIJ list, the very last column is titled, "Remarks".
- 23 You were about to be asked where it is that you would indicate if
- 24 the prisoner had been -- had died of disease rather being
- 25 executed; do I understand correctly that -- was it the remarks

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- 1 column that was used for that information?
- 2 MS. HIN SOTHENAY:
- 3 A. Yes, that is correct. The information is included in that
- 4 column whether the person was executed or the person died from
- 5 disease; however, if this information was not mentioned in the
- 6 original documents, then this note would not be included in my
- 7 list.
- 8 [11.28.19]
- 9 Q. And just so we're clear, you -- you've stated a number of
- 10 times already that your focus was on the incoming prisoner
- 11 records, but in cases where you found a reference to a prisoner
- 12 who died of -- who died of disease; is it correct that your
- 13 practice was to put the date of death in the execution-date
- 14 column, but then note in the remarks column that this person had
- 15 not been executed, but had died of disease on that date? Do I
- 16 understand correctly; was that your practice in cases of
- 17 prisoners who died of disease?
- 18 A. I initially referred to the original documents and if, in the
- 19 original document, a prisoner <> died of a disease or of another
- 20 cause, then I would include that information in the remark
- 21 column. But on the list of executed prisoners and usually the
- 22 title would be <the> list of executed prisoners on this
- 23 particular day, then I would use a similar title <in the column>
- 24 in my list. However, if there is a note for a particular prisoner
- 25 from the list, then that information would be included in my list

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- 1 as well.
- 2 [11.30.00]
- 3 Q. Thank you, Madam Witness. Let me now go back; I have a few
- 4 follow-ups on some subjects that were covered with you this
- 5 morning by the defence counsel.
- 6 When you were describing the process for obtaining and reviewing
- 7 documents, you indicated that you didn't go to DC-Cam yourself,
- 8 but that there was a period, if I got the translation right, you
- 9 said in February or March where you went to examine certain
- 10 documents at the Tuol Sleng Museum.
- 11 Can you just describe for us what -- what led you to go to Tuol
- 12 Sleng Museum, what year this was, and what documents you examined
- when you were at Tuol Sleng Museum?
- 14 [11.31.10]
- 15 A. Allow me to respond again. I went to examine the documents at
- 16 Tuol Sleng Museum <from> February <to> March of 2016, before my
- 17 list was forwarded to the Chamber, and during that period of
- 18 time, I went to examine documents; in particularly, those
- 19 biographies because although <the> DC-Cam <has> similar documents
- 20 or biographies, I did not examine the original documents and
- 21 that's why I went to examine those documents at Tuol Sleng Museum
- 22 with the original <TSL> identification number.
- 23 I do that in order to clarify their names against my list,
- 24 whether they had the names appeared on the incoming prisoners'
- 25 list at S-21, because the list of incoming prisoners; sometimes,

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- 1 those documents did not exist in proper order and in order to
- 2 complete the list of incoming prisoner at S-21 based on their
- 3 existing biographies, then I went to examine those <br/> <br/>biographies>
- 4 at Tuol Sleng Museum.
- 5 Q. Let me follow up also on the process through which the 13,383
- 6 document list was compiled. Did I understand correctly that this
- 7 was a list that your -- the head of the analysis team compiled
- 8 based on the DC-Cam website; is that where he came up with that
- 9 list?
- 10 A. (Microphone not activated)
- 11 [11.33.22]
- 12 Q. You need to give us a verbal answer, a yes or a no.
- 13 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 14 Q. At any point in this process -- this review, was there an
- 15 effort made to compile a list of the S-21 records, whether entry
- 16 lists or execution lists, that were in evidence or that were on
- 17 the case file in Case Number 002?
- 18 A. Regarding the list of documents compiled by my team leader,
- 19 some of the documents derived from Cases 001 or 002 and which
- 20 already existed on the shared material drive, so I examined those
- 21 documents and found out more information regarding the incoming
- 22 prisoners.
- 23 Q. Okay, do you know what -- what was done -- what effort was
- 24 made to ensure that all the S-21 prisoner lists that were in
- 25 evidence in either Case 001 or Case 002 were included in the

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- 1 master list of documents you were to review?
- 2 A. I do not get your question; please rephrase it.
- 3 [11.35.27]
- 4 Q. We've already covered that there was a total of 13,383
- 5 documents reviewed. You indicated that those documents were --
- 6 that list was compiled by the head of the analysis team from the
- 7 DC-Cam website.
- 8 My question is: Was there an effort also made to look through the
- 9 case file in Cases 001 and 002 to identify all S-21 records or
- 10 did you rely, exclusively, on this list -- on the list of 13,383
- 11 that came from the DC-Cam website?
- 12 A. Among the 13,383 documents, in fact, it is a combination of
- 13 those documents and also documents from Cases 001 and 002, which
- 14 I, myself, examined.
- 15 As for the sts> of the execution; for example, that happened
- 16 in year 1976 or '77, I did not fully review those documents due
- 17 to a time limitation.
- 18 [11.36.57]
- 19 O. Let me turn to another subject and that is I wanted to follow
- 20 up to ask you some questions about how the process with respect
- 21 to avoiding duplicate entries.
- 22 A memorandum that was written by Judge Bohlander, E393.1,
- 23 paragraph 6, states as follows: "Only the prisoners that were
- 24 verifiable with Khmer Rouge contemporaneous documents were
- 25 entered into the S-21 prisoner list. For transliteration of the

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- 1 Khmer names and location into English, the DC-Cam transliteration
- 2 system was used. Utmost care was given to avoid double entries of
- 3 prisoner names." End of quote.
- 4 Can you just explain to us, in terms of your methodology, what
- 5 was done to avoid or minimize duplicate entries of prisoner names
- 6 in the OCIJ list?
- 7 [11.38.27]
- 8 A. Regarding the names, I first referred to the original
- 9 documents<; > and <secondly, for a name of a person > I referred to
- 10 all the relevant information regarding the names, alias,
- 11 position, place of arrest, that is, all those information
- 12 contained in the list. Then I include them in my list and if
- 13 there are other documents that refer to a particular prisoner's
- 14 name or a similar name, I <did> not only refer to the name
- 15 because, in some cases, people use their father's names and their
- 16 actual names and that is based on my personal experience working
- 17 for DC-Cam.
- 18 I then <looked> at the names -- the original names, that is, the
- 19 full name and the alias and sometime, this information <was> not
- 20 sufficient to confirm whether <it was> the <same> person<>; then
- 21 I <had> to refer to his date of birth and position<,> place of
- 22 arrest <and the date of the document>.
- 23 Sometime, there is a misunderstanding in the spelling of the
- 24 Khmer names that -- in particular, between the first name and the
- 25 revolutionary name and allow me to give <you an example of a

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- 1 person by the name of Hing Sokhom> alias Kor (phonetic), but
- 2 sometimes <it was written as Hing> Kor (phonetic) alias <Sokhom>
- 3 (phonetic). So there is this mix-up in the writing <in the Khmer
- 4 language. For this reason, I had to collect for more
- 5 information>.
- 6 But there had to be two or three information which are the same
- 7 before I can conclude that the documents referred to the same
- 8 individual, so there is their original names, the alias, the
- 9 position, and the place of arrest and the date of the arrest. So
- 10 at least two or three of this information had to be the same
- 11 before I can conclude that the person or the individual is the
- 12 same person.
- 13 [11.40.54]
- 14 Q. Let's try to focus on, specifically, how you would discover
- 15 when a duplicate existed. I note that you were successful in
- 16 finding several hundred duplicate entries in the original -- the
- 17 OCP S-21 list and I'm just interested in how you were able to do
- 18 that.
- 19 When you came on a new prisoner name in the list, did you have a
- 20 system for checking the names that were already entered or can
- 21 you just explain to us, generally, what you did when you would
- 22 come across a new prisoner name to check to see whether it
- 23 already existed in your -- in your spreadsheet?
- 24 [11.42.02]
- 25 A. Generally, I focused on the original <documents>, that is, the

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- 1 1 sts> of incoming prisoners and if there is a new name, I had
- 2 to, first, look at the original document, that is, the list of
- 3 incoming prisoner. I could not, simply, just assume that this is
- 4 a new name without looking at the original documents. So I <>
- 5 based on the information <> I was given and then I would verify
- 6 it with the original list.
- 7 Sometimes, there are a few documents that I have in order to
- 8 verify the names. Let me inform the Chamber that I do not depend
- 9 only on one document in case of necessity, but in December <1978
- 10 towards the very end of the regime>, there <were lists> of
- 11 executed prisoners that I reviewed. That is the only document
- 12 that I have. <Other than this, I solely based on the original
- 13 lists, according to the year: 1975, 1976 or 1977, that were
- 14 produced.>
- 15 Again, I had to refer to the original document or list of
- 16 incoming prisoner to make sure that there is a duplicate name or
- 17 not. <However, I cannot so certain that my list does not have the
- 18 issue of duplicate names due to the fact that we had different
- 19 references, and as> I have informed the Chamber, sometime, there
- 20 is a <misspelling of names>; the <mix-up> of the first name<,
- 21 family name> and the <revolutionary> name. <When such a case
- 22 arose, I had to be more cautious.>
- 23 [11.43.53]
- 24 Q. Just to see -- make sure I understand correctly, you've
- 25 indicated this a number of times; your primary source in

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- 1 compiling the spreadsheet and list of the prisoners was to go
- 2 through the records of so-called -- the prisoner-entry records.
- 3 If -- and in cases where you were looking at other documents and
- 4 saw a prisoner name, before you would add that to the list, you
- 5 would first go back and see whether that person had already
- 6 appeared in the incoming prisoner lists; is that correct? Is that
- 7 what you did to make sure that you weren't -- to avoid or
- 8 minimize duplicates?
- 9 A. That is correct, Mr. President.
- 10 [11.44.57]
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Thank you. It is now time for lunch. The Chamber will take a
- 13 lunch break from now until 1.30.
- 14 Before taking the lunch break, the Chamber wishes to inform the
- 15 defence team <for Khieu Samphan> and all the parties that the
- orange log book of prisoners, the case officers and the <WESU>
- 17 will put <it> for <the witness to examine during> the lunch
- 18 break.
- 19 Court officer, please assist the witness in the waiting room
- 20 during the lunch break and please invite her back together with
- 21 the legal officer of the OCIJ into the witness stand at 1.30 p.m.
- 22 Security personnel are instructed to bring Mr. Khieu Samphan to
- 23 the waiting room downstairs and please bring him back into the
- 24 courtroom before 1.30 p.m.
- 25 The Court is now in recess for lunch.

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- 1 (Court recesses from 1146H to 1330H)
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 Please be seated.
- 4 The Court is now in session and <> before the Chamber gives the
- 5 floor to the parties, the Chamber would like to inform the public
- 6 and parties that the witness, 2-TCW-946, whom the Chamber is
- 7 scheduled to hear via video link from Germany <in the afternoon
- 8 of> 10 <> January of 2017, is not <available> and the schedule to
- 9 hear this witness will be informed by the Chamber in due course
- 10 and as soon as possible.
- 11 Madam Witness, have you reviewed the orange log book of prisoner
- 12 incomings or prisoners at S-21 already?
- 13 [13.32.08]
- 14 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 15 Mr. President, <>I have reviewed it already. I received it in
- 16 hard copy <from a legal officer in> December. <However,> I did
- 17 not <review> the original copy but, as I said, I already reviewed
- 18 it during the break time.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Thank you very much.
- 21 And Anta Guisse, you may now proceed.
- 22 MS. GUISSE:
- 23 I'm sorry to interrupt you, Mr. President, but I think <it wasn't
- 24 clear neither> in French <nor> in English. We didn't quite
- 25 understand what was said about the witness who was envisaged to

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- begin testifying <tomorrow>. <Can we have the- actually,> we
- 2 didn't understand if he wasn't coming at all or if he was going
- 3 to come later. It's just not clear.
- 4 [13.33.10]
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Regarding the witness <for the hearing tomorrow, it > is not
- 7 possible to hear him and the Chamber will inform the parties
- 8 later on. As of now, the Chamber is seized of little information.
- 9 We are now in the process of communication with that individual
- 10 and the information is not clear. I mean the Chamber has not yet
- 11 received the clear information and the Chamber will proceed to
- 12 hear the witness as soon as possible and the information will be
- 13 delivered to the parties later on.
- 14 It is now not clear for the Chamber whether or not it is possible
- 15 to hear the witness. We are communicating with him. We have done
- our best efforts in order to be able to hear him but as of now,
- 17 as I said, it is we are not yet clear, whether or not, we can
- 18 hear the witness.
- 19 And now the floor is given to the Co-Prosecutors to resume the
- 20 questioning.
- 21 [13.34.25]
- 22 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 23 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 24 Q. Good afternoon, Madam Witness.
- 25 You have stated a number of times this morning that you compiled

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- 1 the list, the OCIJ list of 15,101 S-21 prisoners based primarily
- 2 on a review of the prisoner entry lists. Are you able to give us
- 3 a rough approximation of how many or what percentage of the
- 4 15,100 prisoners came from S-21 entry lists and what percentage
- 5 came from other sources than entry lists?
- 6 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 7 A. I did not conduct <an> analysis of <what> percentage <out> of
- 8 <the 871 documents came from> the entry lists and <what>
- 9 percentage came from other sources. I did not conduct <such an>
- 10 analysis<>.
- 11 Q. But did you go through and review and put into the spreadsheet
- 12 all the prisoner entry lists first? Was that the methodology you
- 13 followed?
- 14 A. Regarding the methodology <I applied>, first, I mainly focused
- on the list of incoming prisoners from 1975 up to 1979. I focused
- on those lists. Normally there are a list of incoming prisoners
- on a daily basis, a weekly basis, monthly basis and yearly basis.
- 18 And then I <examined those documents separately before I started
- 19 reviewing> other documents as indicated in the various columns,
- 20 for instance the biographies or other lists.
- 21 [13.36.56]
- 22 Q. And so my question was, when you finished going through all
- 23 the entry lists, do you have an estimate of how many prisoners
- 24 you had? Are you able to tell us were most of the people in the
- 25 list of 15,000 names you got from the prisoner lists? Can you

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- 1 give us your best recollection about that?
- 2 A. My apology. I cannot give you the answer. <I based on only the
- 3 documents we managed to collect. > I did not analyze <as to what>
- 4 percentages came from the entry lists and <what percentage came
- 5 from other sources besides the entry lists of the prisoners>.
- 6 Let me clarify. Generally, we did not have all documents
- 7 regarding the incoming prisoners. So I depended <solely> on the
- 8 ts> of <incoming> prisoners<; for> example, the <lists> of
- 9 prisoners <br/>brought in on the first, on the second, and up to the
- 10 30th of each month. After that, I examined the> monthly <list of
- 11 incoming prisoners; for example, the month of January, from the
- 12 1st to the 30th in addition to the monthly list of incoming
- 13 prisoners. However, there were cases that these lists went
- 14 missing.>
- 15 I would like to bring up an actual example. In April 1977, <and
- 16 between 19 and> 31st April -- 30th April of 1977, there <were no
- 17 lists of incoming prisoners>. So I had to <use> other documents
- 18 <including the total list of prisoners> in order to supplement
- 19 the <missing original lists>.
- 20 [13.38.51]
- 21 Q. Let me just -- let me try one more a different way. The
- 22 information we received in the memorandum from Judge Bohlander
- 23 indicated that you worked on this project for about 24 months.
- 24 Do you remember how long, how many months you spent of those 24
- 25 months in going through the prisoner entry lists from the

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- 1 earliest ones to the latest ones?
- 2 A. Based on the experience <regarding drawing up lists>,
- 3 concerning the list <for> 1976, I spent almost half a year <just
- 4 to develop> it because the <lists were mixed up between the lists
- 5 of> incoming prisoners and <the composite lists of> prisoners<,
- 6 and other sources besides the ones I described earlier, and you
- 7 may refer to> the memorandum <with this regard>. This is my
- 8 experience.
- 9 And as for the list of prisoners of 1977, <I solely based on the
- 10 existing documents. Lists of incoming prisoners were>
- 11 comparatively clearer <than the ones prepared in 1976> because
- 12 <those who prepared those lists could have gained more
- 13 experience, in particular, when it comes to information
- 14 regarding> places of arrests, names and <their points of entry>.
- 15 Again, the sts> of prisoners, incoming prisoners of 1977
- 17 [13.40.37]
- 18 <Unfortunately, as> I explained, <lists of incoming> prisoners
- 19 <between 19th and> 30th April 1976 <went missing; thus,> I had to
- 20 <look for> other documents in order to find <out whether or not
- 21 prisoners were actually brought in during the period. If we just
- 22 entered the data by dates, > the relevant information <on those
- 23 dates went missing>.
- 24 <However, > I had a <composite > list of prisoners and <through
- 25 which I could search for> names of prisoners<, from where they

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- 1 were brought in and on which date. So> I had to locate some other
- 2 information in order to <support this particular document or list
- 3 before I could incorporate it into my list, firstly>.
- 4 <And secondly, regarding the lists> of prisoners of 1978, the one
- 5 who draw up the sts> was so -- had -- was very experienced and
- 6 he had the lists of prisoners on a <daily, > monthly <> and
- 7 <yearly> basis. <And this made my work much easier. However, the
- 8 issue regarding the lists occurred again in December 1978. By
- 9 basing on the existing documents, it is hard for me to say as to
- 10 how much time, or many months I spent working on lists in a
- 11 particular year. It was mainly dependent on those documents. So
- 12 my priority was to locate lists of incoming prisoners and then
- 13 other supporting documents. I did this in a chronological order>.
- 14 Again, I spent almost one year to review lists of prisoners <for>
- 15 1977 and 1978 and I spent another half of a year to review lists
- developed between late 1978 and early 1979 and to Tuol Sleng
- 17 Museum to locate <other> documents.
- 18 [13.42.26]
- 19 O. Thank you, that's very helpful.
- 20 I want to follow up on a couple of documents that were shown to
- 21 you by defence counsel this morning in questions about whether
- 22 the documents you reviewed originated from S-21.
- 23 And I don't know if you have the binder but, Mr. President, if I
- 24 can provide first for the witness E3/9850, E3/9850, which was one
- 25 of the documents questioned, the witness was questioned on this

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- 1 morning?
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 Yes, please.
- 4 [13.43.26]
- 5 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 6 Q. This was the first document that Nuon Chea's counsel asked you
- 7 about, showed you and asked you about this morning, E3/9850,
- 8 which is a DC-Cam document, D01167, a list of prisoners who
- 9 entered on the 16th of January 1977.
- 10 And I have highlighted on that list the very first column of the
- 11 prisoner entry list. And my question to you is based on your
- 12 review of records, did you observe other documents like this
- 13 which contained a column identifying the building in which the
- 14 prisoner had been detained? The first column here appears to
- 15 indicate the building, specific building in which the prisoner
- 16 had been detained.
- 17 Based on your review, did you see many documents like this? Was
- 18 this a common practice?
- 19 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 20 A. That is correct, Mr. President. I used to see this type of
- 21 document. There are many more of this type <of document>. <This>
- 22 is <a daily list> of <incoming> prisoners<>.
- 23 Q. The second document that Nuon Chea counsel asked you about is
- 24 E3/10398, E3/10398.
- 25 And again, Mr. President, if I may provide the pages I would like

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- 1 to refer the witness to; with your leave if I may provide that to
- 2 the witness?
- 3 [13.45.39]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Yes, please.
- 6 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 7 Q. This document you may remember, Madam Witness, is the
- 8 handwritten list of prisoner names, one of whom was Hing Sokhom,
- 9 who, as was discussed this morning, appears as number 1968 on the
- 10 OCIJ list. Based on our search -- we did a search of the OCIJ
- 11 spreadsheet at lunchtime -- this prisoner was the only instance
- 12 in the entire OCIJ list of 15,000 prisoners in which this
- 13 specific document was cited.
- 14 And what I wanted to make sure I understood, is it correct that
- 15 this prisoner, Hing Sokhom, was included on the OCIJ list because
- 16 he appeared in a prisoner entry record and that this handwritten
- 17 list was cited as what you called a corroborating document
- 18 confirming further information about this prisoner? Is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 [13.47.11]
- 21 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 22 A. It is correct. The original document shows that <the person by
- 23 the name of Hing Sokhom also exists> in another list of incoming
- 24 prisoners. In <> the column <where his name exists>, there is no
- 25 -- in one column, there is no indication of his function or

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- 1 position that he <was> a professor <from the US. And for this
- 2 reason, I made a remark next to his name that information was
- 3 added to his name. Again, his name already existed, and so only>
- 4 the information <was added to his name regarding> his function
- 5 and position, that is, <that it was certain that> he was from
- 6 <the US>.
- 7 Q. And in the document that I've handed to you, that counsel
- 8 asked you about this morning, E3/10398, Hing Sokhom 's name
- 9 appears on the twelfth page, Khmer, ERN 01160038. I have
- 10 highlighted that reference for you.
- 11 What I wanted to ask you about, you made a brief reference to
- 12 this this morning. I wanted to follow up. The second to last
- 13 column in this document if you look at the first page, is titled
- 14 "Number of documents". If you turn to the first page, there is a
- 15 column there is a column that is title "Number of Documents" and
- 16 each prisoner has a number, excuse me, a number in there and for
- 17 Hing Sokhom, the number is a total of 11 documents.
- 18 My question for you, did you see other S-21 records that contain
- 19 a column like this and what was your understanding, based on your
- 20 review, of what the information in this column meant?
- 21 [13.49.25]
- 22 A. I would like to inform the Chamber <from my experience> that
- 23 this table consists of a number of <> documents and <the person
- 24 by the nickname of> Trul (phonetic) was the one who was in charge
- 25 of the documents, that is, that whenever a prisoner came, he had

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- 1 to <have a> document <for> that prisoner.
- 2 <However, > I am not sure if there are 11 documents related to
- 3 Hing Sokhom as indicated in the column. I have already told the
- 4 Chamber already that <my main focus was> on the list of incoming
- 5 prisoners and I added only <> information <>that I <managed to
- 6 find, and if I could not find anything about a prisoner, I would
- 7 add nothing. For example, regarding the document you brought up,
- 8 I did not add full information to all the prisoners on the list.
- 9 Only additional information about the person in question was
- 10 added>.
- 11 [13.50.26]
- 12 Q. I'm -- continuing on the issue of prisoners who had multiple
- 13 records from S-21, in your spreadsheet, there is space for you to
- 14 provide references to four supporting documents. So at columns
- 15 letter zero, letter "O" through letter "V", contain the title
- 16 "DC-Cam", document number -- DC-Cam number and ERN, and you have
- 17 space to do that four times.
- 18 My question is: Did you find some prisoners who had more than
- 19 four supporting records and, if so, why was the spreadsheet
- 20 limited to just four document references?
- 21 A. Allow me to inform the Chamber that out of <13,383> documents,
- 22 <> some names appeared <over> four times but because of time
- 23 limitation, I had to put in the information according to the
- timeframe, for example, <the date on this document is> 1976. <So
- 25 I tried to locate any document in the year 1976 with their

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- 1 names.>
- 2 <Sometimes, after> my review, I found <the existence of their</pre>
- 3 names with the same information; thus, I would not incorporate
- 4 their names into my list. But in certain cases where additional
- 5 information needed to be added; for> example, Hing Sokhom was -
- 6 <who was a prisoner from> Ta Lei and there <was> no indication of
- 7 his position<, and in one of the documents I reviewed, they gave
- 8 additional information about him, and stated> that he was a
- 9 professor from the U.S.<; thus, I had to add this piece of
- 10 information in my remark by stating I added this piece of
- 11 information to his name by referring to certain documents>.
- 12 [13.52.42]
- 13 Q. And the other question about the spreadsheet, the very next
- 14 column in the spreadsheet column "W" is titled "ERN number of
- 15 relevant page" and it usually contains some ERN that comes from
- 16 some source other than the specific documents that are listed.
- 17 Can you explain what the reason was for that column, column "W",
- 18 the ERN number of relevant page?
- 19 A. Regarding ERN numbers, I reviewed documents of Cases 001 and
- 20 002. Some of those ERNs have something to do with the previous
- 21 case files, <Cases> 001 and 002. I was allowed by my team leader
- 22 to use the page numbers and ERN numbers. So I included ERN and
- 23 page numbers whenever I added extra information to be sure that
- 24 <> the information is consistent.
- 25 <Many> documents<> I reviewed <show that not only this particular

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- 1 prisoner, but also many other prisoners> had more than four
- 2 documents and, as I said, I reviewed <only> the sts of
- 3 incoming> prisoners according to the year and since I had
- 4 limitations, time limitations, I did not review everything.
- 5 [13.54.48]
- 6 Q. The last subject I want to cover with you today relates to the
- 7 reason counsel has pointed this out to you and repeatedly noted
- 8 this during these proceedings.
- 9 The reason that there are only 5,512 execution dates in the OCIJ
- 10 list and you had told us a little bit about that this morning,
- 11 you mentioned -- you indicated that you primarily focused on the
- 12 prisoner entry lists and had limited time to look at the
- 13 execution lists.
- 14 What I want to make sure is clear. Do I understand correctly that
- 15 you did not have sufficient time to go through all the execution
- 16 lists and put all those dates into the spreadsheet; is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. That is correct, Mr. President.
- 19 Q. And just because -- defence counsel has made a big issue of
- 20 this, I want to take you -- to show you a few execution lists and
- 21 to see and ask you about whether or not they were incorporated
- 22 into the OCIJ S-21 list.
- 23 [13.56.36]
- 24 With your leave, Mr. President, I'd like to provide first to the
- 25 witness document E3/8463, E38463; specifically ERNs Khmer 00016040

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- 1 through 16074; English, ERN 01032508 through 2536, which is an
- 2 S-21 list titled "List of Prisoners Smashed on the 27th of May
- 3 1978", if I may provide that to the witness with your leave, Mr.
- 4 President?
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Yes, please.
- 7 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 8 Q. The document that I have handed to you, Madam Witness, is a
- 9 list titled "List of Prisoners Smashed on the 27th of May 1978".
- 10 The list is dated at the very end on the 29th of May and it
- 11 contains 582 names of prisoners who were sent for execution.
- 12 [13.58.17]
- 13 The reason I am asking you about this list, and I don't know
- 14 whether you are able to run a filter on your spreadsheet, but if
- 15 you filter and if you search for this date, 27 May 1978 in the
- 16 date of execution column in the OCIJ spreadsheet, there are only
- 17 107 prisoners who are recorded with this execution date. This
- 18 list has -- itself has 582 names.
- 19 And what I'd -- the reason I am starting with this list, when we
- 20 looked at the names if you filter on there -- when we looked at
- 21 the names that were -- that did have the execution date recorded,
- 22 the first 102 prisoners on this list, that is the first six pages
- 23 of the Khmer original, prisoners 1 through 102 have the 27 May
- 24 1978 execution date recorded but the remaining prisoners do not
- 25 have the date recorded.

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- 1 My question to you is: Why is that? Do you remember this
- 2 document? Do you remember why it was that you were unable to
- 3 record all of the dates for all 580 prisoners?
- 4 [13.59.55]
- 5 MR. KOPPE:
- 6 Yes, Mr. President.
- 7 I object to this question because the underlying Khmer document
- 8 is not in fact one Khmer document but it is a compilation of many
- 9 Khmer documents. To present this to the witness as one exhaustive
- 10 list on that particular date is, I think, misrepresenting the
- 11 evidence.
- 12 So obviously, it's difficult for me to read the Khmer original
- 13 but the document with this particular E3 number is in fact
- 14 consisting of many various documents with many different
- 15 typographies (sic), formats, etc.
- 16 So I object to this question because the underlying assumption is
- 17 it's wrong.
- 18 MR. LYSAK:
- 19 I'll respond briefly.
- 20 That's absolutely false. The reason I listed specific ERNs is
- 21 this is part of E3/8463, consists of multiple different lists;
- 22 that is correct. The ERN I cited is one list only within that
- 23 document and it is a list of prisoners. It's titled, "List of
- 24 Prisoners Smashed on the 27th of May 1978". It runs consecutively
- 25 from number 1 through to number 582, following which there is a

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- 1 date.
- 2 So it's very clear that this is a standalone document. It's been
- 3 the subject of questioning.
- 4 I asked Duch specifically about this list, as Your Honours may
- 5 remember. So there is certainly a basis to ask this witness about
- 6 this particular list.
- 7 [14.01.56]
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 The question is permissible and the objection by the defence
- 10 counsel, Koppe, is overruled.
- 11 Witness, please respond to the question put to you by the
- 12 International < Deputy > Co-Prosecutor.
- 13 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 14 Please repeat your question.
- 15 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 16 Q. Yes. Specifically my question about this list is that if you
- 17 look -- if we looked at the first 102 names that appear -- that's
- 18 the first six pages of the document -- and for all of those
- 19 persons, the 27 May 1978 execution date is included in your
- 20 spreadsheet but it was not included for the subsequent prisoners
- 21 on the list.
- 22 And my question is: You've indicated that you didn't have time to
- 23 completely review the execution lists; was this an instance where
- 24 you didn't have time or do you remember why the dates were only
- 25 included for the first approximately 100 prisoners?

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- 1 [14.03.45]
- 2 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 3 A. Based on the information on my list, initially, I relied on
- 4 the list of incoming prisoners, and if the execution list
- 5 indicates the date of the execution, I <would> also check those
- 6 dates. And if the dates match, I would skip it because I could
- 7 rely on the previous existing data.
- 8 And for this particular document, when we reviewed the list, for
- 9 example on the 27th of May 1978, when we filtered that date, the
- 10 number would be only 100-plus, but in the original document,
- 11 there were more names. So it means that I referred to other
- 12 documents besides this one.
- 13 And when we filter, for example only one particular day, you
- 14 could see that number. But then other names may appear on the
- 15 following day, that is, the 28th.
- 16 And based on my information sometimes the execution date or data
- 17 happened not only on one <date>. And that depends on the list
- 18 maker. So it could happen on the <>day <that the list was
- 19 actually prepared, for example, it could be on 29th instead; and
- 20 that is based on the information that I reviewed on the existing
- 21 documents.
- 22 So it is possible that another document existed with a different
- 23 date.
- 24 [14.05.50]
- 25 And if the name already <existed,> then I <would> not include

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- 1 that name on the list, on my list, because our primary focus
- 2 <was> not on the list of the <executed prisoners>. And <sometimes</p>
- 3 it was our own error as> we <did> not <remember> every single
- 4 entry due to time limitation. As I said, <when I found out that a
- 5 particular name already existed on> the execution list<,> I would
- 6 <not> include <his or her name in my list. Sometimes I just put>
- 7 the date on my list. But I did not have time to include every
- 8 single entry since I had to move onto the next <document>.
- 9 [14.06.39]
- 10 Q. I certainly understand that.
- 11 Just so you know, for the record, we also searched for the 28th
- 12 of May 1978 just to see whether some of those dates may have been
- 13 entered for that date, and there were no entries for that date.
- 14 And also so you understand, all of the prisoners, all 582
- 15 prisoners from this list are in your spreadsheet. It's just that
- 16 for four -- over 400 of them -- they are missing the execution
- 17 date. Let me show you another few examples just to see if we can
- 18 understand what happened with the execution dates.
- 19 Mr. President, there are four large execution lists that appear
- 20 in document E3/2285, E3/2285. With your leave I'd like to provide
- 21 the originals to the witness. While they are being provided, I'll
- 22 identify the specific ERN pages for the Court.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Yes, you may.
- 25 [14.08.08]

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- 1 MR. LYSAK:
- 2 For the record, the four documents that are being provided to the
- 3 witness are the following -- they all come from E3/2285. The
- 4 first is a list of prisoners smashed on the 9th of December 1977.
- 5 It is Khmer, ERN 00009293 through 9302; English, 00873605 through
- 6 633.
- 7 The second document is a list of prisoners smashed on the 15th of
- 8 October 1977, Khmer, ERN 00009147 through 9162; English, 00873281
- 9 through 320.
- 10 The third is a list of prisoners smashed on the 3rd of August
- 11 1977, which is at Khmer,
- 12 0009247 through 9254; English, 00873521 through 540.
- 13 And the fourth and the last list is a list of prisoners executed
- on the 20th of July 1977. It appears at Khmer, 00009226 through
- 15 9233; and English, 000873466 through 486.
- 16 [14.10.18]
- 17 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 18 Q. Madam Witness, the reason I provided you these four lists, the
- 19 first, the list of prisoners smashed on the 9th of December 1977
- 20 that identifies 301 prisoners sent for execution on that date,
- 21 when we filter for the 9th of December 1977 in the date of
- 22 execution column on the OCIJ list however, there are no prisoners
- 23 recorded with that execution date.
- 24 Second, the list of prisoners smashed on the 15th of October 1977
- 25 identifies 418 prisoners executed on that date. When we search

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- 1 for 15 October 1977 in the date of execution column, there are
- 2 only 12 prisoners recorded as having been executed on that date.
- 3 The third list, list of prisoners from Bong Huy Srae's section
- 4 smashed on the 3rd of August 1977 lists 229 prisoners executed on
- 5 that date but there are only eight people who have execution
- 6 dates for that same date in the OCIJ column.
- 7 And the last list, a list of 231 prisoners executed on 20 July
- 8 1977, only seven however appear as having that execution date in
- 9 the OCIJ list.
- 10 [14.12.14]
- 11 The point of all this, you've indicated that it was not the focus
- 12 of your work and that you've already told us that you did not
- 13 have time to put in all the execution dates. But is it correct
- 14 that the reason we don't have execution dates for the many
- 15 hundreds of people who are on these lists was simply because you
- 16 didn't have time and that was not the focus of your work?
- 17 MR. KOPPE:
- 18 I object to this question, Mr. President; it's leading.
- 19 I've been calculating along with the Prosecution. If he is
- 20 correct, then roughly another thousand might be added to the list
- 21 of execution bringing it roughly to the same number as crania or
- 22 skulls that the expert, Vuthy, has analyzed but still very far
- 23 away from the 15,000. So implying or suggesting or even leading
- 24 the witness to say that she missed a few numbers, therefore,
- 25 there are in fact 15,000 executions because that the underlying

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- 1 idea is incorrect; that's why I object.
- 2 [14.13.48]
- 3 BY MR. LYSAK:
- 4 If I may respond, I'm happy to ask an open question to the
- 5 witness but the statements that counsel has just made are
- 6 incorrect.
- 7 In fact, from the five execution lists I have just identified for
- 8 this Court, there are an additional 1,650 execution dates that
- 9 would be added to the 5,500 that already appear. And that's from
- 10 these five lists only. This is just the start, but we can argue
- 11 about that some other time.
- 12 Q. My question to the witness is: Why is that? Why are these
- 13 execution dates not in the OCIJ spreadsheet?
- 14 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 15 A. Regarding the four documents that I received from the
- 16 Co-Prosecutor <are> the execution <lists>, that is, the prisoners
- 17 who were smashed according to the day and month. For example, on
- 18 the 9th of December '77, on this list, you said that only a small
- 19 number of these prisoners appear on my list.
- 20 I reviewed these names but I did not include the information <in
- 21 those columns> regarding the execution date since I did not have
- 22 sufficient time to do it and I <already> made mention <of> the
- 23 period of <between> the 19 <and> 30 of April <in 1978 where there
- 24 were no lists> of incoming prisoners<>.
- 25 [14.15.41]

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- 1 On this particular document, Vaung Sam Kol -- he entered S-21 on
- 2 the 28 of April '77, so I only extracted this name and <it does>
- 3 not <mean that no attention was paid on other> names that
- 4 appeared on the list. <It was frightening to see that >there were
- 5 hundreds of names appeared on the list and I did not review each
- 6 of the names due to time constraints. And my main concern is to
- 7 avoid any duplication of names regarding the list of names of the
- 8 incoming prisoners and the names that appear on the execution
- 9 list. And I had to be careful with that.
- 10 And if I were to focus on the four execution lists, then I would
- 11 need to spend much more time than the list that I prepared with
- 12 the main focus on the incoming prisoners list, that is, I had to
- 13 review each of the names of the 15,000-plus and it means that I
- 14 needed much more time to do it. And in order to avoid the
- 15 possible duplication, I had to be careful with that. And for that
- 16 reason, I cannot say, for example, on <the 9th December 1977>,
- 17 hundreds of people were executed. <And it was impossible for me
- 18 as well to point out all the names on the list one by one who was
- 19 killed on that day. I had limited time to work on this.>
- 20 [14.17.15]
- 21 Q. Thank you. I think that's clear.
- 22 I want to make sure that you understand I'm not saying that all
- 23 these people are not on your list. Many of them or most of them
- 24 are. All I'm saying is that the execution dates were not -- are
- 25 blank for these people. Undoubtedly, many of them, based on your

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- 1 review of the entry lists, were recorded that way.
- 2 Do I understand correctly then that you simply did not have the
- 3 time to go through all the execution lists and enter execution
- 4 dates for each of -- all these prisoners; is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 6 MR. LYSAK:
- 7 Thank you very much for all your time compiling this list and for
- 8 your appearance here today.
- 9 We have no further questions, Mr. President.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 And the Chamber now hands the floor to the Lead Co-Lawyers for
- 13 civil parties to put questions to this witness.
- 14 [14.18.27]
- 15 MS. GUIRAUD:
- 16 Thank you, Mr. President, and good afternoon everyone.
- 17 We have no questions for the witness.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 And lastly, the floor is given to the defence teams. And Counsel
- 21 Koppe, do you wish to put questions to the witness regarding the
- 22 orange log book, that is, regarding the list of prisoners
- 23 appeared in the orange log book?
- 24 [14.19.26]
- 25 MR. KOPPE:

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- 1 I do. I also have more questions that I wasn't able to ask this
- 2 morning, but I think the normal sequence would be that the Khieu
- 3 Samphan team asks first and then the remaining time I would use
- 4 -- I think that would be the most appropriate way of proceeding,
- 5 Mr. President.
- 6 QUESTIONING BY MS. GUISSE:
- 7 Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to reassure the parties
- 8 and the Chamber that I <just> have <some> very <> brief questions
- 9 for clarification, <> regarding what the witness said this
- 10 morning.
- 11 [14.20.15]
- 12 Q. <Good afternoon, > Madam Witness, <two brief clarifications >
- 13 regarding what you said this morning as regards to the documents
- 14 you had access to when you were drawing up the list. You stated,
- 15 inter alia, that you saw documents <which bore> the logo of S-21
- 16 and other documents on which there was no logo but <> which you
- 17 did recognize <as> S-21 documents, <on the basis of> the manner
- 18 in which they were drafted and so on and so forth. <So, > my first
- 19 question is whether as part of the documents that were <handed
- 20 down> to you by your hierarchy, as I understand that that is how
- 21 things happened, did you <ever> have any documents from other
- 22 security centres <at hand>, that is, <from> security centres
- 23 other than S-21?
- 24 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 25 A. Yes, among the 13,383 documents that I reviewed, there were

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- 1 documents coming from other security centres and there were other
- 2 documents <dated post-1979 >, but I only <incorporated> those
- 3 documents <or lists of incoming prisoners> that are related to
- 4 the entry at S-21.
- 5 [14.21.41]
- 6 Q. So if I understand correctly, you analyzed some documents that
- 7 you ruled out. Under those circumstances as regards to documents
- 8 you ruled out, did you discuss <this> with your hierarchy and did
- 9 you have a particular procedure to say that those documents were
- 10 not related to S-21 or how did <that work> exactly?
- 11 A. Every document that I reviewed and before we made a decision
- 12 whether they were S-21 documents, we discussed among members of
- 13 the group with the team leader. For example, the documents from
- 14 Krang Ta Chan, he would put a note that usually those documents
- 15 would be signed at the bottom and the layout of the S-21
- 16 documents were different from documents from other centres.
- 17 Q. You have just referred to Krang Ta Chan. Apart from documents
- 18 from Krang Ta Chan, do you remember the names of other security
- 19 centres in respect of which you saw documents?
- 20 A. It is difficult to respond to your question. If you refer to a
- 21 particular document then I can describe it to you. Otherwise,
- 22 it's like you are asking me to make an assumption.
- 23 [14.23.40]
- 24 Q. In fact, that was precisely my question. When you considered
- 25 after collective discussions that a document was not related to

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- 1 S-21, would you agree with me that you, yourself, had no reason
- 2 to work on those documents and it was perhaps someone else on
- 3 your team who would work on such documents? Did I properly
- 4 understand that to be your testimony?
- 5 A. I <only> worked on lists of prisoners, incoming prisoners at
- 6 S-21.
- 7 And for other documents from other security centres, I do not
- 8 know whether other team members worked on those documents. But
- 9 for me, I only examined those S-21 documents in particular, in
- 10 relation to the incoming prisoners as outlined in the memo set
- 11 out by the International <Co-> Investigating Judge.
- 12 [14.24.55]
- 13 Q. And I have one last point to broach with you. You refer to
- 14 more than 13,000 documents that you used in drawing up the list.
- 15 <I would like to> know whether in addition to those documents,
- 16 <did> you read and study the statements of persons working at
- 17 S-21 like Duch, Him Huy and others? Did you use such materials as
- 18 part of your work in <>compiling the document <or was that not
- 19 the case at all>?
- 20 I say that specifically because we know that Duch, whether we're
- 21 talking of <the examination> before the Co-Investigating Judges
- 22 or when he appeared before this Chamber in Case 001 and Case 002,
- 23 we know that he made comments on those documents. Is that
- 24 something you studied as part of your task in drawing up those
- 25 lists?

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- 1 A. No, I did not work <nor analysed anything related to the>
- 2 staff working at S-21. I worked only on the list, the sts> of
- 3 incoming prisoners<, composite lists of prisoners> or the <lists>
- 4 of confessions. So my primary focus was on those lists.
- 5 MS. GUISSE:
- 6 I have no further questions for the witness, Mr. President, and
- 7 my colleague, Kong Sam Onn, has no <further> questions either.
- 8 <Our remaining> time <may be allotted> to <our> colleagues <from>
- 9 the Nuon Chea team.
- 10 [14.26.50]
- 11 QUESTIONING BY MR. KOPPE RESUMES:
- 12 Yes, thank you, Mr. President.
- 13 Q. Hello again, Madam Witness. The President briefly mentioned
- 14 already this orange log book, which clearly seems to be or,
- 15 most likely seems to be an S-21 document. What can you tell us in
- 16 general about this log book? You have now seen it. Does it in any
- 17 way affect or alter your findings or is it a document that is of
- 18 limited use for your analysis?
- 19 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 20 A. Regarding the orange log book, it is a master list of
- 21 prisoners and that is also a title. So it is a list of -- or a
- 22 combined list of prisoners, for example, on a particular day how
- 23 many prisoners entered S-21 and <the man by the name of> Hor was
- 24 the one who wrote in that <orange> log book.
- 25 [14.28.20]

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- 1 I have the same list although it is not the original document and
- 2 I also refer to that document in my list. And the list had a
- 3 signature of Hor, although in this log book there is no<> Hor's
- 4 signature. Hor sent a copy of the list to the upper echelon while
- 5 he, himself, maintained a copy. <It was the daily log of
- 6 prisoners.>
- 7 Q. We can confirm that indeed certain pages from that log book
- 8 are on our case file, but we have been able to identify, if I am
- 9 correct, only a few.
- 10 Isn't it correct that this is the complete log book over a
- 11 certain period of time and that up until now, either Tuol Sleng
- 12 or DC-Cam or the Court only had access to a few excerpts from
- 13 this log book?
- 14 A. Regarding the orange log book, I reviewed -- I reviewed it and
- 15 a portion of them are the same with Hor's signature. So what I
- 16 can say is that this is a list that Hor himself maintained at
- 17 S-21 and another list he forwarded to his superior. And towards
- 18 the end of the log book, orange log book, the writing was not
- 19 Hor's.
- 20 [14.30.30]
- 21 Q. Following up on my initial question, did you have time enough
- 22 to analyze this log book in such a way as to adapt your list or
- 23 is that -- has that not been possible in the last few weeks?
- 24 A. The title of the list is the <>combined list of prisoners and
- 25 Hor actually had the list in order to review on a particular day

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- 1 which prisoners from where they <came from>. So the list
- 2 contained figures and at the bottom of the list there would be a
- 3 note that if this prisoner A or B died of disease.
- 4 And there is no other information contained in this log book. And
- 5 as I indicated earlier, if <there was a note> in the incoming
- 6 prisoner list <that a prisoner had died from a disease, > I would
- 7 <not put the name of the prisoner on my list>.
- 8 Q. Very well.
- 9 Following up the question from the Prosecution earlier this
- 10 afternoon, he showed you lists with names of prisoners who were
- 11 allegedly executed sometime in '77 or '78 and the Prosecution
- 12 asked you to agree with them that you didn't have enough time to
- 13 add execution dates to prisoners in your list.
- 14 I'm not sure if I fully understand why it was that you didn't
- 15 have enough time to do this. How many lists of executions or how
- 16 many execution dates were there? Why is it that you, in those two
- 17 years that you had been working on these lists, did not have
- 18 enough time to tick the box of a potential execution date?
- 19 [14.33.38]
- 20 A. My work was to focus on the sts> of incoming prisoners at
- 21 S-21 according to the year, for example 1975<,> 1976, <or 1977
- 22 and> the number of <>prisoners <were brought in. I had to mainly
- 23 use and base on these lists first>. Then I proceeded to review
- 24 other documents <due to the fact that some> of the Khmer Rouge
- 25 documents <had gone missing>. The reason that I did not have

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- 1 enough time to review all the <execution lists was mainly>
- 2 because I <was worried that it could lead to confusion if the
- 3 lists of incoming prisoners and execution lists were examined and
- 4 used at the same time>.
- 5 <> Sometimes <a person had two different> names<. If I had to
- 6 work on the execution lists, I would need much more time compared
- 7 the time spent on working with lists of incoming prisoners.
- 8 Sometimes, names are> confusing as well as the function and
- 9 position of prisoners. I was so concerned about <duplication of
- 10 names. However, people on my list were those> prisoners <who>
- 11 entered S-21, but <it was not certain all of them> were killed.
- 12 <>
- 13 Again, I did not have enough time to review <all> the ts> of
- 14 executed prisoners in Cases 001 and 002. <On the other hand,> I
- 15 was afraid <of duplicating> names.
- 16 [14.35.45]
- 17 Q. I am not sure if I understand, but that aside, you did make an
- 18 entry list called "Date of Execution" not only date of arrest and
- 19 other personal details of the relevant person but you apparently
- 20 were instructed to make a column called "Date of Execution". So I
- 21 presume that whenever you knew or have reasons to believe that
- 22 someone was executed, you would put that date in that column.
- 23 But my question still is why did you, having started this,
- 24 decided not to add other execution dates? I'm not sure if I
- 25 follow the decision to sort of do it a little bit half bacon

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- 1 (sic).
- 2 MR. LYSAK:
- 3 The witness has just done -- done her best to answer the
- 4 identical question and now he's juiced up the same question, but
- 5 this is a repetitive question. The witness has explained already
- 6 that it would require a lot of time to go back and search to make
- 7 sure these aren't duplicate entries and find the names. So I
- 8 think this is repetitive of what the witness has already
- 9 explained.
- 10 [14.37.23]
- 11 JUDGE FENZ:
- 12 I agree, but perhaps one question, which might help:
- 13 Did you have, from the beginning, a timeframe within which you
- 14 had to finish this? So when you got the task, make this list, did
- 15 your boss tell you or your supervisor tell you, "This has to be
- 16 done by" -- I don't know, whatever date. Was there a certain
- 17 date, a deadline?
- 18 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 19 Yes, I had a limited time.
- 20 JUDGE FENZ:
- 21 A deadline or, sorry, limited time? When I say deadline I mean
- 22 did somebody tell you this needs to be finished by -- and now I
- 23 am inventing a date -- 30th of October 2016 -- or did such date
- 24 not exist?
- 25 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:

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- 1 I had a limited time, that is to say, in a year. For example, if
- 2 I reviewed the incoming prisoners of <1975 and '76>, usually, I
- 3 was directed to review from which month to which month of that
- 4 year or those years. <On a daily basis, I also had to review
- 5 certain number of documents. When I finished the lists for 1976,
- 6 then> I had to move on to review other lists <in 1977>.
- 7 [14.39.09]
- 8 I had to <plan ahead and> consult with my head team leader to
- 9 review certain documents <in 1977 and how much time I needed to
- 10 review them in order to make sure that they were lists of
- 11 incoming prisoners. That is the limited time I am referring to.
- 12 <After I had finished the lists for 1976, 1977, and up until
- 13 1979, at> the end, I went to <the> Tuol Sleng Museum to review
- 14 documents there. It was by the time that I was told <br/> team
- 15 leader> that <> my <list> was <complete>.
- 16 JUDGE FENZ:
- 17 So if I understand you correctly the reason why this enterprise
- 18 has remained incomplete is because your contract ended. And if I
- 19 say incomplete I mean certain data which were available were not
- 20 included in your final list. Is that one reason or one of the
- 21 reasons that your contract ended? And if it's not the only
- 22 reason, what are the other reasons?
- 23 Was that too much at one time for one question?
- 24 [14.40.29]
- 25 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:

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- 1 The main reason is that I had limited time. My list was sent --
- 2 forwarded to the Court on 30 <>March <> 2016. The list was not,
- 3 once again, reviewed <for the second time> by me <for time
- 4 limitation> after my submission of that list. <But my way of
- 5 review was that; for example, after I was done with the lists for
- 6 1976, I went over my list just for that particular year.>
- 7 Frankly speaking, there may have had errors in the list, since we
- 8 did not once again review <the whole list after it was
- 9 completed>.
- 10 JUDGE FENZ:
- 11 So what you are saying, if I understand you correctly, you were
- 12 told this list has to be submitted to the Court on the 30 March,
- 13 I believe you said, no matter -- do whatever you can until then.
- 14 Is this what you are telling me? And since you didn't get to
- 15 everything, it's not complete. Is this what you are saying?
- 16 [14.41.43]
- 17 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 18 Let me add. We reviewed list of incoming prisoners from 1976 up
- 19 to 1979 <accordingly>, so I reviewed lists of incoming prisoners.
- 20 As for the list of executed prisoners, I did not <review
- 21 completely> those lists --
- 22 JUDGE FENZ:
- 23 And the question is why, and you told us because of time
- 24 constraints. And the last question we want an answer to is: why
- 25 were there time constraints? Is it because your contract ended or

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- 1 what else?
- 2 I don't know how else to phrase it, it sounds like an easy
- 3 question. It's not about method, it's about why you had to submit
- 4 a list which isn't complete.
- 5 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 6 I did not have enough time, Your Honour.
- 7 [14.43.02]
- 8 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 9 Just finishing the subject before the break, Mr. President.
- 10 Q. Whatever the reason might be, Madam Witness, the Prosecution
- 11 is making the point -- and we are eagerly awaiting their closing
- 12 submissions on this subject -- that, in fact, many more people
- 13 were executed than the 5,512 that you mentioned.
- 14 Now, assuming for hypothetical reasons, just assuming that the
- 15 Prosecution is right and that the examples that he gave would
- 16 raise the number of executions to -- counting quickly --
- 17 something like 6,600 and something, are you in a position to say
- 18 that that could be approximately the number? That it might not be
- 19 5,500 but rather six-and-a-half thousand or is your work so
- 20 incomplete that it might even go up further all the way up to
- 21 15,000?
- 22 So my question is, are you in a position to inform us a bit as to
- 23 how incomplete the number of executions in your list is? Is it
- 24 where the Prosecution says it is or where it stops or does it go
- 25 further? That is a very interesting question for us, at least,

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- 1 Madam Witness.
- 2 [14.44.56]
- 3 MR. LYSAK:
- 4 Mr. President, I don't have any objection if the question is "Do
- 5 you have a basis to provide a reasoned estimate to the Court of
- 6 how many people are in the execution lists?", but I think the
- 7 witness should be clear that she should not be encouraged here to
- 8 speculate and guess as to what the number would be if all the
- 9 execution lists were reviewed.
- 10 As counsel indicates, we are in the process of doing that and it
- 11 will be much, much higher than 6,600, but I don't -- this witness
- 12 should not be encouraged to speculate here.
- 13 MR. KOPPE:
- 14 I would agree with the objection if it is any other witness,
- 15 however, this is a witness who's working for an investigating
- 16 judicial organ of the Court and I believe S-21 is part of -- this
- 17 is one of the crime sites in, I believe, Case 003.
- 18 [14.46.03]
- 19 So surely as an analyst, evidence analyst, she should have some
- 20 idea as to whether it would get much higher -- it could get much
- 21 higher than 5,512 or whether it sort of stays at six-and-a-half
- 22 thousand.
- 23 I think because of her position as analyst, working for the
- 24 Office of the International Co-Investigating Judge, that would be
- 25 within the realm of her capabilities in terms of making

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- 1 approximates.
- 2 MR. LYSAK:
- 3 I want to reiterate here that Judge Bohlander expressly indicated
- 4 in his limitations that this is not an expert witness who should
- 5 be asked for opinions.
- 6 So if she has a factual basis but to do so, that's one thing, but
- 7 she shouldn't be asked for an opinion on how high the number
- 8 could go and counsel should also keep -- stop referring to 6,500.
- 9 Just based on the five lists again, as I indicated, it's over
- 10 7,000, and when we start going into more lists it's a lot higher,
- 11 but -
- 12 [14.47.10]
- 13 MR. KOPPE:
- 14 That is all fine. That would be fine if we were in the beginning
- 15 of this trial, but we are 10 years -- nine-and-a-half years
- 16 ahead. We have done S-21 extensively. There's been a trial in
- 17 S-21, Case 001, and now we're sort of assuming that there might
- 18 be much more at this stage. I find well --
- 19 JUDGE FENZ:
- 20 Can we shorten that?
- 21 Witness, do you feel confident -- and if you don't, tell us -- do
- 22 you feel confident to give an estimate of the overall number of
- 23 people who were executed at S-21? If you cannot do it, tell us "I
- 24 cannot do it".
- 25 MR. KOPPE:

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- 1 Confer with the legal officer.
- 2 [14.48.26]
- 3 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 4 I am not an expert on S-21. I did not <do an analysis as to> how
- 5 many people <on my list had> died. I am here testifying as a
- 6 witness on facts.
- 7 JUDGE FENZ:
- 8 Sorry, so to sum up, the answer is no, you cannot -- you don't
- 9 feel confident to give an estimate as to the overall number of
- 10 people who were executed in S-21?
- 11 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 12 That is correct, Your Honour.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 The Chamber is grateful to you, Madam Hin Sotheany.
- 15 <Counsel, you> run out of <time>. The Chamber allotted much more
- 16 time than it <was> planned. You could calculate the time by
- 17 yourself.
- 18 <Only two> questions were put by Khieu Samphan defence team. You
- 19 did not even request <for> additional time and when I wanted to
- 20 conclude the hearing, you stood up, so it is not really
- 21 appropriate.
- 22 [14.50.10]
- 23 MR. KOPPE:
- 24 Well, I apologize for that misunderstanding. I stood up because I
- 25 looked at the time and it was time for a break and that's why I

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- 1 was sitting down.
- 2 Khieu Samphan team has allowed us to use their time and I believe
- 3 the planning for this witness was all day, two sessions for the
- 4 Prosecution, two sessions for the Defence, and I'm just filling
- 5 up I believe the sessions with at least 20 more minutes, if I'm
- 6 not mistaken, from our side.
- 7 But if that's incorrect and -- and that's it.
- 8 MR. LYSAK:
- 9 Counsel is clearly incorrect. He went up to almost 11.25 this
- 10 morning. So he -- they have used their two full sessions. That is
- 11 not to say that if the Trial Chamber couldn't grant some
- 12 additional time if he requested it, but he would need to make the
- 13 request and I'm not sure that's warranted.
- 14 But it is certainly not correct that the Defence has not used its
- 15 two sessions.
- 16 [14.51.33]
- 17 MR. KOPPE:
- 18 I actually think that is true. So my request would be to have a
- 19 little additional time.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 So how much time <do> you want? It is clear to everyone that the
- 22 defence team for Khieu Samphan had 20 minutes. <Since the Chamber
- 23 delayed from 10.45 until> 11 and 45 this morning, and a while ago
- 24 the last -- remaining 40 minutes were granted to the defence
- 25 teams.

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- 1 And a little bit ago, while ago, you asked additional time, but,
- 2 please, indicate clearly how much time you really want. <From my
- 3 observation, you spent quite a lot of time on asking questions to
- 4 the witness for her presumptions.>
- 5 MR. KOPPE:
- 6 What I really want, Mr. President, I will not reiterate here.
- 7 Maybe 20 minutes, would that be all right? Just a few additional
- 8 questions.
- 9 [14.52.52]
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Okay, please, and you <may proceed with your line of questioning>
- 12 now.
- 13 MR. KOPPE:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 15 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 16 Q. Very briefly, Madam Witness, this is a completely different
- 17 subject.
- 18 In your OCIJ list, you referred many times to the so-called
- 19 revised S-21 prisoner list. That is the list that was originally
- 20 made by, I believe, someone from the Prosecution who, in its
- 21 turn, placed him or herself on also DC-Cam document.
- 22 Now, this revised S-21 prisoner list has 12,273 entries whereas
- 23 your list has 15,501 -- 15,101, excuse me. Can you explain
- 24 difference in numbers between those two lists?
- 25 [14.54.13]

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- 1 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 2 A. I primarily worked on the list of incoming prisoners and some
- 3 lists of S-21. < And based on these documents, > I recorded the
- 4 prisoners according to the year. I cannot explain <to> you about
- 5 the differences <between the two lists> because we were in charge
- 6 of different tasks. The result of -- in my list was from the
- 7 documents that I reviewed and the names were included in my list
- 8 because of the supporting documents that I reviewed. <To simply
- 9 put it, only a name with supporting documents could it be
- 10 included on my list.>
- 11 I cannot explain <to> you <as to> why the <OCP's list had a>
- 12 number -- smaller <or bigger> number of prisoners <compared> to
- 13 the number of prisoners in my list. <Again, I primarily based on
- 14 lists of incoming prisoners.>
- 15 Q. I understand. However, you have relied very extensively on the
- 16 OCP list. Of the 15,101 entries, you refer 9,478 times to the
- 17 revised S-21 prisoner list.
- 18 But my question is the following. If we calculated correctly,
- 19 there are 340 entries in your list, which only has as a source --
- 20 which only have as a source the revised prisoner list. In other
- 21 words, with 340 entries, the only source for your listing is the
- 22 OCPs revised S21 prisoner list.
- 23 Can you explain that?
- 24 [14.55.02]
- 25 MR. LYSAK:

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- 1 I'd simply ask that if counsel could provide some examples of
- 2 that so that we can see where this takes place in the OCIJ list?
- 3 MR. KOPPE:
- 4 While I'm searching, let me rephrase the question a bit by being
- 5 more general.
- 6 Madam Witness, is it correct that a number of entries in the --
- 7 in your prisoner list has only the OCP revised list as a source?
- 8 Did that happen and if, yes, why did that happen?
- 9 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 10 A. I do not really get your question, counsel, could you repeat
- 11 it?
- 12 [14.57.29]
- 13 JUDGE FENZ:
- 14 I think an example would really make it easier.
- 15 MR. KOPPE:
- 16 Yes, I have the list here. Well, I'll just take any number. For
- 17 instance, 1459, that is prisoner from the Northwest Zone, Dy
- 18 Samin, with the date of entry and the date of execution, and then
- 19 we go to the "Remark" and then it says only "OCP's revised S-21
- 20 prisoner list", and then it adds the number "1944". I can give
- 21 more examples. Entry 16191, 1460, 1492, 2184 and then I have
- 22 another 360-something.
- 23 BY MR. KOPPE:
- Q. So, again, is it correct that in a number of occasions you've
- 25 only used as a source for a particular prisoner the OCP's revised

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- 1 S-21 prisoner list?
- 2 [14.59.00]
- 3 MR. LYSAK:
- 4 I've only had a chance to check the first one, but it's incorrect
- 5 that the only cite -- source cited there is the OCP list. There's
- 6 a document. There's a reference, for example, also to a S-21
- 7 confession existing for this individual.
- 8 MR. KOPPE:
- 9 Well, what we have done, just to explain, Mr. President, is go to
- 10 the column with "Remarks" and where it only says in the ERN and
- 11 then OCP revised S-21 prisoner list, we've all collected these
- 12 and that's how we came to this number of 370.
- 13 But let me move away from the -- I can give other examples. Maybe
- 14 there are better examples.
- 15 Let me just take this example for instance. Number -- if I'm
- 16 correct at least -- number 7753. It's a prisoner also from the
- 17 Northwest Zone, Neach Chreng, and the only source it seems is the
- 18 OCP's revised S-21 prisoner list, and he is listed as number
- 19 6,040.
- 20 [15.00.39]
- 21 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 22 Q. So again, but first in general, Madam Witness, is it correct
- 23 or am I wrong that sometimes the only source for your entry is
- 24 the OCP list?
- 25 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:

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- 1 A. It is not correct what you said. Let me clarify <this>.
- 2 In the "Remark" column <on my list>, the ERN number is 0016144.
- 3 That is the referencing number. So you can check that <ERN
- 4 number>, you will see that the name appears on that page.
- 5 <However, for OCP, I call it the OCP list; it only shows the
- 6 existence of a particular name on the list. It is just a serial
- 7 number to show that a particular > name < was identical to > the
- 8 name <that> already <existed on the original list of the OCP>. I
- 9 did not base solely on the OCP list, but I used the list to
- 10 verify <whether certain names also existed on the OCP list>. So
- 11 <I want to make it clear that> the OCP -- the revised OCP list
- 12 <was> not the sole source, original source, that I used.
- 13 [15.02.25]
- 14 MR. LYSAK:
- 15 And if I can -- excuse me, if I can identify the ERN references
- 16 in both the examples provided by counsel, in fact, are not from
- 17 the OCP list, they're from a contemporaneous document that is a
- 18 long document but it is a list of the prisoners killed in 1978.
- 19 So those ERN references are to a contemporaneous document not to
- 20 the OCP list.
- 21 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 22 Q. Well, let me rephrase it again. We have identified in your
- 23 lists about 370 prisoners where in the column "Remark", there's
- 24 only reference being made to the OCP revised S-21 prisoner list.
- 25 Are you in a position to say under which circumstances you only

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- 1 used the OCP list in your remarks? When would that situation
- 2 arise?
- 3 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 4 A. I did not use the revised OCP list. I referred to the original
- 5 documents <with> the ERN numbers <as show in the reference
- 6 column. As stated by the Co-Prosecutors, there was a wide range
- 7 of original documents>. Again, I did not base or use on the
- 8 revised list of the OCP. <I only used the serial number, not the
- 9 reference ERN number, to show that certain names also existed on
- 10 the original list of OCP>.
- 11 [15.04.20]
- 12 JUDGE FENZ:
- 13 Counsel, your question doesn't work because you keep speaking of
- 14 identifying a couple of hundred where only the list is mentioned,
- 15 and with each example we've heard so far, two, it actually turns
- 16 out that additional documents are mentioned. So there's a problem
- 17 with the premise. Admittedly, so far two, but that's the only
- 18 ones you identified from the couple of hundred you claim to have
- 19 identified.
- 20 MR. KOPPE:
- 21 I do follow what you're saying, but the only thing that we have
- 22 done is do a search on the OCP prisoner list. We have around
- 23 9,478 references to this list and if I'm -- if we are incorrect
- 24 that of this 340 only rely on the OCPs list then I'll accept
- 25 that. But let me just finalize the subject.

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- 1 [15.05.31]
- 2 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 3 Q. Is it then correct that you never solely relied on the OCP
- 4 list for an entry?
- 5 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 6 A. That is correct. I did not rely solely on the OCP list. I
- 7 mainly based on the original documents, not the st> that were
- 8 already compiled by the OCP.
- 9 O. Moving to -- briefly to another subject, Madam Witness.
- 10 Sometimes in certain documents, your example -- in your binder
- 11 your example number 6, E3/2272, it says that a particular person
- 12 was "removed". It seems -- and if I'm wrong please correct me --
- 13 that you interpret the word "removed" as execute.
- 14 Is that correct? And if yes, why is that? To guide you a bit,
- 15 E3/2272 is a document with the name Lach Vary on it and it says
- 16 "Removed". It's a person on the OCIJ list at entry 4,243.
- 17 A. Could you tell me <the serial> number <of> this name <on my
- 18 list>?
- 19 [15.07.47]
- 20 Q. It's our document E3/2272. It's OCIJ listed entry 4,243,
- 21 4,2,4,3, Lach Vary.
- 22 A. Regarding the document mentioned by you, the word "removed"
- 23 means smash or executed.
- 24 Q. And why do you say that the word "removes" must mean execute
- 25 or executed?

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- 1 A. In the list of the documents, <there is a note to> the name
- 2 Lach Vary is -- appears in that document, in the list, and there
- 3 is a handwriting in the document.
- 4 In the "Remark" column of my list, I used the word "executed". I
- 5 used that word for the ease of my finding of the names.
- 6 Q. And my final question, Madam Witness. Is your sample 12 in
- 7 your binder? That is document E3/8648. These are names of people
- 8 released on 26 November '77; they're from Division 920, dated 2
- 9 December 1977. And if I understand your list correctly, 100
- 10 individuals who were released three days after their entry in
- 11 S-21. Do you have that document 8648?
- 12 A. Let me clarify <this> once again. The heading of the document
- 13 is the names of those who were released on 26 November 1978 from
- 14 Division 920. I heard from you December, but it's not December.
- 15 [15.11.36]
- 16 Q. I said 26 November 1977. These people were released and
- 17 according to the OCIJ list, 47 of these people were apparently
- 18 re-arrested from S-21.
- 19 Can you explain that why, on the one hand, there's a list of 100
- 20 people being released and, at the same time, you list 47 of them
- 21 as prisoners in S-21?
- 22 A. Let me inform you again. E3/8648, there are names of those who
- 23 were released on 26 November 1977. You asked me why some
- 24 individuals were re-arrested. My answer is that it based on the
- 25 documents that I reviewed.

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- 1 [15.13.05]
- 2 Q. I understand what you're saying, but there's a story about
- 3 this list appearing in various newspapers. One of the articles is
- 4 on the case file and Youk Chhang -- you're well familiar with him
- 5 -- he used this particular list as an example of prisoners who
- 6 were, in fact, released from S-21. And so, it's not just a random
- 7 example, there has been quite some publicity about this specific
- 8 instance.
- 9 Can you say now what made you conclude that of those people who
- 10 were released, 100 individuals, 47 of them apparently were
- 11 re-arrested?
- 12 A. Based on the documents that I reviewed, those are the
- 13 prisoners who were indicated that they were released on 26
- 14 November 1977 were in one list. < However, when I reviewed another
- 15 document and <the names of the people who came from the Division
- 16 920> appeared in the later list that I reviewed and it indicated
- 17 that <these individuals were> re-arrested and detained at S-21D.
- 18 Q. I understand. I will not put the article before you, but the
- 19 director of DC-Cam presumably used the very same documents that
- 20 you have used and his position, according to this article, is
- 21 that these people were released, full stop.
- 22 [15.15.22]
- 23 MR. LYSAK:
- 24 First, counsel's not citing an article and there's absolutely
- 25 nothing in this brochure, which is what I believe it actually is,

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- 1 that indicates that anyone did what this witness did, which is
- 2 review all the prisoner records. She cites here where she
- 3 indicates that the date they were arrested again and cites the
- 4 documents. So I don't understand the point of a question that
- 5 asks her to argue with an assertion that Youk Chhang has not made
- 6 a definitive assertion on what happened to these people after
- 7 this release date. So I think the question's improper.
- 8 MR. KOPPE:
- 9 I will provide the "Cambodia Daily" article shortly, E3 number,
- 10 Mr. President, but the whole point of that press release, the
- 11 brochure and the article was that these people were released,
- 12 full stop.
- 13 JUDGE FENZ:
- 14 What's your question?
- 15 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 16 Q. My question is --
- 17 JUDGE FENZ:
- 18 Clear question.
- 19 [15.16.22]
- 20 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 21 -- whether you know this particular example and do you know that
- 22 Youk Chhang told this to the media and that there was a brochure,
- 23 as the Prosecution called it, that there was information coming
- 24 from DC-Cam that these people were, in fact, released?
- 25 MR. LYSAK:

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- 1 Again, I would simply ask that he cite the article. All the
- 2 article does is mention that this document exists. It does not
- 3 make any representations that there was any determination on what
- 4 happened to these people after that release date.
- 5 [15.17.10]
- 6 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 7 I have now both E3 numbers for you, Mr. President. It's the
- 8 DC-Cam brochure where it says where we -- what we argue is
- 9 E3/7326 and the "Cambodia Daily" article is E3/3992.
- 10 Q. But let me ask very general and open -- Madam Witness, are you
- 11 aware of --
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Please hold on. We are running out of space on the DVD, we need
- 14 to change it.
- 15 (Short pause)
- 16 [15.18.02]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Counsel, you may proceed, however, this is your last question
- 19 because actually the time that you requested is over, and
- 20 actually, you are over it by seven minutes.
- 21 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 22 I will make this my final question, Mr. President.
- 23 Q. Madam Witness, are you aware of this brochure that DC-Cam
- 24 brought out about these particular prisons and are you aware of
- 25 media publications in respect of this DC-Cam brochure?

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- 1 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 2 A. No, I am not aware of that, however, allow me to respond.
- 3 My list was drawn up based on the original documents.
- 4 Q. But presumably so the DC-Cam when they made this brochure?
- 5 JUDGE FENZ:
- 6 You asking her to speculate on what basis DC-Cam made their press
- 7 release?
- 8 Do you know, on the basis of your knowledge, if anybody ever was
- 9 released from S-21? That's the question.
- 10 MR. KOPPE:
- 11 No, that's not the question.
- 12 [15.19.40]
- 13 JUDGE FENZ:
- 14 Sorry, then -- but that -- question I would be interested in.
- 15 Can you say anything about that?
- 16 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 17 Based on the documents that I examined <and used in> my list,
- 18 <none of them indicated> that a prisoner was released from S-21,
- 19 although in some instances, as counsel put it, the prisoners were
- 20 released, <while in fact, they were> detained somewhere else and
- 21 later on were sent for execution.
- 22 BY MR. KOPPE:
- 23 Q. Hence my question. Where did you base that conclusion upon?
- 24 Apparently, DC-Cam is reaching a completely different conclusion
- 25 because that's the reason why they brought out this brochure to

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- 1 start with.
- 2 [15.20.53]
- 3 MS. HIN SOTHEANY:
- 4 A. <I was referring> to documents that I reviewed <in my> list of
- 5 S-21 prisoners, and <>, as I said, <I was referring> always to
- 6 the original documents that I < had access to. I did not base on
- 7 other sources of documents.>
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Madam Hin Sotheany, the Chamber is grateful of your testimony and
- 10 your testimony is now concluded and it may contribute to the
- 11 ascertainment of the <truth> in this case. You are no longer
- 12 required to be present in the courtroom and you may return to
- 13 your residence or wherever you wish to return to, and the Chamber
- 14 wishes you all the very best.
- 15 [15.21.40]
- 16 Also, the Chamber is grateful of Mrs. Priyanka Chirimar, the
- 17 legal officer of the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges, and
- 18 the hearing of the testimony of this witness is now concluded.
- 19 <You are now excused.>
- 20 Court officer, please work with WESU to send Madam Hin Sotheany
- 21 to her residence or wherever she wishes to return to.
- 22 The Chamber will adjourn its proceeding today and resume tomorrow
- 23 <morning at 9 o'clock>, that is Tuesday, 10 <January> 2017, and
- 24 tomorrow the Chamber will continue to hear testimony of the
- 25 expert Voeun Vuthy.

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1	And, after its conclusion, <the chamber="" will=""> hear the response</the>
2	by the Khieu Samphan defence to the rebuttal made by the
3	Co-Prosecutors in relation to the key documents presented by
4	Khieu Samphan defence concerning the Role of the Accused.
5	[15.22.40]
6	Security personnel, you are instructed to take the two accused
7	back to the <eccc> detention facility and have them returned to</eccc>
8	attend the proceedings tomorrow before 9 a.m.
9	The Court is now adjourned.
10	(Court adjourned at 1522H)
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