

SPECIAL TRIBUNAL FOR LEBANON TRIBUNAL SPÉCIAL POUR LE LIBAN

RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE

Section 4: Judgement

Rule 167

Judgement of Acquittal at Close of Prosecutor's Case

- (A) At the close of the Prosecutor's case, the Trial Chamber shall, by oral or written decision and after hearing submissions of the Parties, enter a judgement of acquittal on any count if there is no evidence capable of supporting a conviction on that count. (amended 8 March 2016)
- (B) The Prosecutor may appeal any judgement of acquittal under this Rule. Rule 177 (A) (i) and (B) and Rules 182 to 186 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to such an appeal. (added 8 March 2016)

Rule 168

Judgement

- (A) The judgement shall be pronounced in public, on a date of which notice shall have been given to the Parties and victims participating in the proceedings, and at which they shall be entitled to be present, subject to the provisions of Rule 173 (B).
- (B) The judgement shall be rendered by a majority of the Judges. It shall be accompanied or followed as soon as possible by a reasoned opinion, in writing, to which separate or dissenting opinions may be appended.
- (C) A copy of the judgement and of the Judges' opinions in a language that the accused understands shall, as soon as possible, be served on the accused if he is in custody. Copies thereof, in that language and in the language in which they were delivered, shall also be provided to counsel for the accused, if any, as soon as possible.