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Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia Chambres Extraordinaires au sein des Tribunaux Cambodgiens

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Trial Chamber Chambre de première instance

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Case File N° 002/19-09-2007-ECCC/TC

24 November 2014 Trial Day 227

Before the Judges:

NIL Nonn, Presiding Claudia FENZ

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Jean-Marc LAVERGNE

YOU Ottara

THOU Mony (Reserve)
Martin KAROPKIN (Reserve)

Accused:

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### **List of Speakers:**

Language used unless specified otherwise in the transcript

Speaker	Language
THE PRESIDENT (NIL Nonn, Presiding)	Khmer

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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0907H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated.
- 5 Madam Se Kolvuthy, could you report on the attendance of the
- 6 Parties to the proceedings today.
- 7 THE GREFFIER:
- 8 Mr. President, for today's proceedings, the Greffier notes that
- 9 all Parties to the proceedings are present, except the defence
- 10 counsel for Khieu Samphan who are absent and they notified the
- 11 Chamber that they continue not to participate in the proceedings
- 12 in Case 002/02.
- 13 As for the civil party -- TCCP-296 -- is present and ready to be
- 14 called by the Chamber.
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 [09.09.22]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Thank you, Madam Greffier.
- 19 The Chamber notes that on Sunday, the 23rd November 2014, that is
- 20 yesterday, we received a letter from the defence team for Khieu
- 21 Samphan who notified the Chamber that the Defence will continue
- 22 not to participate in the proceedings in Case 002/02 despite the
- 23 fact that they have been appointed by the Chamber. Also, in their
- 24 letter, they raised the same argument that they have raised
- 25 earlier.

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- 1 Everything the Chamber has done to this point has been with the
- 2 goal of getting counsel for Khieu Samphan into Court, to commence
- 3 the substantive proceedings in Case 002/02.
- 4 [09.10.34]
- 5 The Khieu Samphan defence has had adequate time to prepare for
- 6 the Trial in the 10 months between the Closing Argument and the
- 7 Judgement in Case 002/01, during which time they were fully
- 8 compensated. The Chamber also considers they have had adequate
- 9 time to prepare the Appeal, while noting the Nuon Chea defence
- 10 has the same issues and workload and announced on 17 October
- 11 2014, that he had been ready since March 2014.
- 12 The Chamber considers that the real problem is the Khieu Samphan
- 13 defence's lack of diligence. As one example, both international
- 14 lawyers for the Khieu Samphan defence are currently in Paris
- 15 where they have law offices. This is at a time when their full
- 16 attendance should be to this case in Phnom Penh.
- 17 [09.11.59]
- 18 The Chamber's concession of reducing the Trial days from three
- 19 days a week to two days a week was ignored. It is obvious that
- 20 none of these concessions and accommodations on the part of the
- 21 Chamber have worked. The Chamber further notes that its primary
- 22 responsibility is to commence and then conduct the Trial in Case
- 23 002/02 in a fair and expeditious manner for the interest of
- 24 justice to prevail. It is clear that the Khieu Samphan defence
- 25 will not participate in the proceedings in Case 002/02 before the

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- 1 end of this year. Counsel for Khieu Samphan have declared that
- 2 they will commence the Trial after the Appeal brief is due on 29
- 3 December 2014.
- 4 The Chamber recognises that at this point in time, there are, at
- 5 most, six trial dates left in the Chambers trial calendar for
- 6 2014. The Chamber has advised Khieu Samphan himself that the
- 7 right to counsel of his choosing is not absolute. The Chamber
- 8 also recognises that any effort to replace Khieu Samphan's
- 9 defence team at this time will result in a substantial delay in
- 10 the Trial.
- 11 (Microphone not activated)
- 12 (No interpretation)
- 13 [09.14.02]
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 The Chamber has advised Khieu Samphan himself that the right to
- 16 counsel of his choosing is not absolute. The reason for this is
- 17 that there are no -- the Chamber also recognises that any effort
- 18 to replace Khieu Samphan's defence team at this time will result
- 19 in a substantial delay in the Trial. The reason for this is that
- 20 there are no attorneys available at this time who are familiar
- 21 with the voluminous case file and could take over on short
- 22 notice.
- 23 As a consequence, the Chamber has no reasonable alternative but
- 24 to adjourn the case until January 2015. Both Khieu Samphan
- 25 himself and his defence counsel have asserted that their purpose

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- 1 is not to delay the Trial beyond January 2015. We will all have
- 2 an opportunity to see if that is a true statement.
- 3 In the meantime, the Chamber will continue to pursue other
- 4 options as mentioned by the President on 17 November 2014,
- 5 including appointment of further counsel.
- 6 Furthermore, the Chamber considers referring the misconduct of
- 7 counsel to the appropriate professional body as per Internal Rule
- 8 38.
- 9 [09.15.40]
- 10 At this time, all trial dates, scheduled by the Trial Chamber in
- 11 2014, are cancelled.
- 12 The Trial is adjourned until 8 January 2015.
- 13 The Chamber instructs and invites all the Parties to Case 002/02
- 14 to participate in the proceedings on the 8 January 2015,
- 15 commencing from 9 a.m.
- 16 And the Chamber wishes to thank the witness the civil party,
- 17 TCCP-296, for taking a journey by a summons to this Court. Due to
- 18 the adjournment of today's proceedings, Court officials in
- 19 liaison with the WESU, to coordinate the journey of the civil
- 20 party, TCCP-296, back to the residence until further summons by
- 21 the Trial Chamber.
- 22 Security guards, you are instructed to take the accused, Nuon
- 23 Chea and Khieu Samphan to the detention facility and have them
- 24 returned to this courtroom on Thursday the 8th of January 2015,
- 25 prior to 9 a.m.

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1	The	Court	is	now	adjourned.

- 2 (Court adjourned at 0917H)

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