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Bagosora, Ntabakuze and Nsengiyumva given life sentences; Kabiligi acquitted



From left to right: Bagosora, Kabiligi, Ntabakuze & Nsengiyumva

Trial Chamber I on 18 December 2008 rendered judgement in the "Military I" case involving four senior officers of the Rwandan army in 1994: Colonel Théoneste Bagosora, Director of Cabinet in the Rwandan Ministry of Defence; General Gratien Kabiligi, head of the military operations bureau (G-3) of the army general staff; Major Aloys Ntabakuze, commander of the Para Commando Battalion; and Colonel Anatole Nsengiyumva, commander of the Operational Sector of Gisenyi.

It sentenced Bagosora, Ntabakuze and Nsengiyumva to life imprisonment for genocide, crimes

against humanity and war crimes based on their role in crimes committed in Rwanda. The Chamber acquitted Kabiligi of all charges against him and ordered his release. It also acquitted each of the Accused of conspiring to commit genocide before 7 April 1994.

The Chamber found that, in the first days after the death of President Habyarimana on 6 April 1994, Bagosora was the highest authority in the Rwandan Ministry of Defence with authority over the Rwandan military. He was considered responsible for the killing, on 7 April, of Prime Minister Agathe Uwilingiyimana, Joseph Kavaruganda, the President of the Constitutional Court, as well as Frédéric Nzamurambaho, Landoald Ndasingwa and Faustin Rucogoza, who were opposition party officials and government ministers. He was found guilty in connection with the killing of ten Belgian peacekeepers who were killed by soldiers at Camp Kigali on 7 April. Bagosora was also responsible for the organised killings perpetrated by soldiers and militiamen at a number of sites throughout Kigali and Gisenyi between 6 and 9 April.

Ntabakuze was found guilty, as the commander of the elite Para Commando Battalion, for the participation of his soldiers in killings at Kabeza, Nyanza Hill and the L'Institut Africain et Mauricien de Statistiques et d'Economie (IAMSEA) in Kigali.

Nsengiyumva was considered responsible for massacres at Mudende University, Nyundo Parish as well as the targeted killing of civilians in Gisenyi prefecture, the area under his operational command. He was also guilty of sending militiamen to the Bisesero area of Kibuye prefecture to kill Tutsi refugees in June 1994.

The Prosecution alleged that Kabiligi participated in the distribution of weapons, meetings to plan the genocide as well as a number of specific crimes, many of which were related to roadblocks in the Kigali area. Kabiligi advanced a successful alibi for much of this time period. It was also not proven that he had operational authority or that he targeted civilians.

The trial opened on 2 April 2002 before Trial Chamber III. After the non-re-election of one judge and the announced retirement of another, the case was transferred with the consent of the Accused in June 2003 to Trial Chamber I, composed of Judges Erik Møse of Norway (presiding), Sergei Alekseevich Egorov of Russia and Jai Ram Reddy of Fiji.

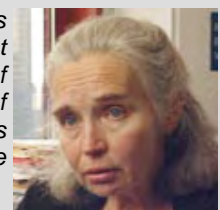
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It is with deep shock that the Editorial team has learned, while preparing to issue this newsletter, that Ms. Alison Des Forges was among the victims of Thursday's (12 February 2009) plane crash outside of Buffalo, New York, that left 50 people dead. Ms. Des Forges was one of the world's leading experts on the 1994 Rwanda genocide and its aftermath.



The International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda expresses its sadness at her death and presents its condolences to her family and colleagues at Human Rights Watch. A special tribute will be paid to her in our next issue of the Newsletter.

A total of 242 witnesses were heard during the trial, 82 for the Prosecution and 160 for the Defence. The trial concluded after 408 days. More than 300 written judicial decisions were issued during the course of the proceedings. In parallel with this trial, the judges heard nine single-accused cases.

The Prosecution trial team was led by Barbara Mulvaney of the United States. The Defence teams were led by Raphaël Constant of Martinique (Bagosora); Paul Skolnik of Canada (Kabiligi); Peter Erlinder of the United States (Ntabakuze); and Kennedy Ogetto of Kenya (Nsengiyumva).

Protais Zigiranyirazo Sentenced to 20 Years Imprisonment



Trial Chamber III composed of Judges Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca, Khalida Rachid Khan and Lee Gacuiga Muthoga, on Thursday 18 December 2008, convicted Protais Zigiranyirazo of genocide and extermination as a crime against humanity and sentenced him to 20 years imprisonment. Credit was given to him for time spent in prison.

The Trial Chamber however acquitted him of conspiracy to commit genocide, complicity in genocide and murder as a crime against humanity. The Chamber found that the Prosecution failed to prove that Protais Zigiranyirazo conspired with officials, at various meetings, to plan or facilitate attacks on the Tutsi population. Likewise, the Prosecution failed to prove any criminal responsibility for alleged involvement in the Interahamwe, or in killings on Rurunga Hill. Furthermore, the Prosecution failed to prove that he was responsible for the murder of the three gendarmes or of Stanislas Sinibagiwe.

However, the Trial Chamber found that Zigiranyirazo, also known as "Mr. Z", whose younger sister was married to the late President Habyarimana, was guilty of having participated in a joint criminal enterprise with the common purpose of committing genocide and extermination of Tutsi at Kesho hill, as well as aiding and abetting genocide at the Kiyovu roadblock.

The Prosecution alleged that he had attended a number of meetings with various military and government officials and other influential persons in order to plan and facilitate attacks on the Tutsi population. It accused him of using his power and influence, and as a member of the "Akazu", the former President's inner circle, to plan, order and instigate genocide, adding that his influence extended de facto to security officials, in particular the presidential guard, Interahamwe militias, MRND/CDR party leaders, government officials and local residents in Gisenyi and Kigali prefectures.

The defence denied all the allegations against the accused and argued that he was never in any conspiracy. It added that he and his family were hiding

when many of the massacres occurred in Gisenyi prefecture.

Zigiranyirazo was born on 2 February 1938 in Giciye commune, Gisenyi prefecture, Rwanda. He served as préfet of Kibuye in 1973 and as préfet of Ruhengeri from 1974 to 1989. He was arrested in Belgium on 26 July 2001 and transferred to the Tribunal on 3 October 2001. The trial commenced on 3 October 2005 and closed on 29 May 2008.

Protais Zigiranyirazo was assisted by John Philpot (Canada) and Peter Zaduk (Canada) while the Prosecution was led by Wallace Kapaya assisted by Charity Kagwi-Ndungu, Gina Butler, Iksander Ismail and Jane Mukangira.

Simon Bikindi Sentenced to 15 Years' Imprisonment



Trial Chamber III composed of Judges Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca, Florence Rita Arrey and Robert Fremr, on Tuesday 2 December 2008, convicted Simon Bikindi of direct and public incitement to commit genocide and sentenced him to fifteen years imprisonment. Credit was

given to him for time spent in prison. Simon Bikindi was born on 28 September 1954 in Rwerere commune, Gisenyi prefecture, Rwanda. In 1994, he was a famous singer and composer, and the leader of a ballet troupe, the Irindiro.

Simon Bikindi was charged with six counts: (1) conspiracy to commit genocide; (2) genocide or alternatively (3) complicity in genocide; (4) direct and public incitement to commit genocide; (5) murder and (6) persecution as crimes against humanity. The Prosecution alleged that, through his songs and speeches, and in concert with Interahamwe, RTLM, CDR, MRND and Government figures, Simon Bikindi participated in the anti-Tutsi campaign in Rwanda in 1994, inciting and promoting hatred and violence against Tutsi, thereby encouraging the genocide. The Prosecution also alleged that Simon Bikindi was responsible for specific attacks and killings in Gisenyi prefecture, most of them perpetrated by Interahamwe, some being members of the Irindiro ballet. Three of Bikindi's songs were specifically referred to in the Indictment: Twasezereye, Nanga Abahutu and Bene Sebahinzi.

The Chamber found that all three songs manipulated the history of Rwanda to extol Hutu solidarity. It also found that Bikindi composed Nanga Abahutu and Bene Sebahinzi with the specific intention to disseminate pro-Hutu ideology and anti-Tutsi propaganda, and thus to encourage ethnic hatred. The Chamber further found that all three songs were deployed in 1994 in Rwanda in a propaganda campaign to promote contempt for and hatred of the Tutsi population, and to incite people to attack and kill Tutsi. The Chamber found that their broadcasting by RTLM during the genocide had an amplifying effect on the genocide. However, the



Chamber found that it had, not been proven beyond reasonable doubt that Bikindi had played any role in these broadcasts or in the dissemination of the three alleged songs in 1994.

Furthermore, the Chamber found that the Prosecution failed to prove that Bikindi conspired with political figures or the individuals alleged in the Indictment to commit genocide or that he was responsible for any of the specific attacks or killings charged. However, it found beyond reasonable doubt that, Simon Bikindi used a vehicle outfitted with a public-address system on the main road between Kivumu and Kayove at the end of June 1994 to incite people to exterminate Tutsi. Accordingly, the Chamber found Simon Bikindi guilty of direct and public incitement to commit genocide for his calls to exterminate Tutsi at the end of June 1994 on the Kivumu-Kayove road and acquitted him on the counts of conspiracy to commit genocide, genocide, complicity in genocide, and murder and persecution as

crimes against humanity. The Chamber considered that there were no mitigating factors, and that the fact that Simon Bikindi abused his stature by using his influence to incite genocide is an aggravating factor.

Simon Bikindi was arrested in The Netherlands on 12 July 2001 and transferred to the Tribunal on 27 March 2002. The indictment against him was confirmed on 5 July 2001, and a warrant of arrest and transfer was issued. His trial commenced on 18 September 2006. The Defence case concluded on 7 November 2007. A site visit was organised in April 2008, followed by the closing arguments on 26 May 2008.

Simon Bikindi was assisted by Andreas O'Shea (South Africa) and Jean de Dieu Momo (Cameroon) while the prosecution was led by William T. Egbe assisted by Veronic Wright, Patrick Gabaake, Peter Tafah, Iain Morley, Sulaiman Khan, Amina Ibrahim and Disengi Mugeyo.

ICTR Judicial Activities

Judicial Calendar—01 January to 12 February 2009

Case	Bench	Prosecution	Defence	Party presenting his/here case
Kalimanzira	Judges Byron (Pres.), Kam, Joensen	C. Graham V. Wright K. Murukutla O. Jammeh	A. Vercken A. Guisse	Defence
Karemera	Judges Byron (Pres.), Kam, Joensen	D. Webster A. Frankson-Wallace I. Morley G. Visser S. N'Dow	P. Robinson P. Ngimbi D. Mbaye F. Sow C. Hounkpatin F. Weyl	Status Conference
Nshogoza	Judges Khan (Pres.), Muthoga, Akay	P. Ng'aura A. Seye D. Mabura M. Ka	A. Turner	Status Conference / Prosecution
Ngirabatware	Judges Sekule (Pres.), Ramarosan, Bossa	W. Kapaya P. Gabaake B. Wallace I. Ismail	D. Thomas	Status Conference/ Further appearance of the Accused

Work of the Trial Chambers and the Appeals Chamber

1. Trial Chamber I

Ongoing trials

Setako

The case is scheduled to resume on 16 February 2009. It is expected that the Prosecution case will require a session of no longer than three weeks to complete.

Nsengimana

The last Defence witness was heard on 17 September 2008. The Prosecution and Defence closing briefs were filed on 5 December 2008. The Chamber will hear oral closing arguments on Thursday 12 February and Friday 13 February 2009.

Hategekimana

The trial in the matter of the Prosecutor v. Hategekimana,

which was scheduled to commence on 26 January 2009, was adjourned following the revelation of disclosure and translation problems discussed at a Status Conference on 28 January 2009, and pending the formulation of a new Trial Bench following the recusal of the Presiding Judge, Florence Rita Arrey, of Cameroon.

Cases where judgement delivery is awaited

Renzaho

Deliberations in this case are ongoing. The Chamber will announce the date of judgment in due course.

2. Trial Chamber II

Ongoing trials

Nyiramasuhuko et al. (Butare)

The Chamber is currently deliberating on nine motions. The closing briefs of the parties are expected to be filed by 17 February 2009.



Nshogoza

The trial commenced as scheduled on 9 February 2009 with the presentation of the Prosecution case. The Chamber issued three decisions and two orders at the beginning of February 2009. This included an order to the Prosecution regarding disclosure issues and decisions denying two Defence motions for certification to appeal.

Military II

The trial will resume on 16 February for the recall of some witnesses. Closing Briefs are to be filed by 31 March 2009.

Cases where judgement delivery is awaited

Rukundo

The Chamber is currently engaged in the judgement drafting. The judgement will be rendered on 27 February 2009.

Bizimungu et al.

After having heard closing arguments from 1 to 5 December 2008, the Chamber is currently considering pending interlocutory motions and is engaged in the judgement drafting.

Trials about to commence shortly

Ngirabatware,

The Chamber issued one decision partially granting the amendment of the indictment. Following this decision, the Chamber held a further appearance of the accused and a status conference on 9 February 2009.

3. Trial Chamber III

Ongoing trials

Kalimanzira

The trial resumed the second and final trial session for the presentation of the Defence case on 26 January 2009 and is scheduled to close on 13 February. In that regard the Accused was heard on 10 and 11 February 2009. Five decisions have been rendered since the beginning of the year.

Karemera et al.

Since the beginning of 2009, the Chamber has rendered various decisions, including a decision on 6 February 2009 denying provisional release for Mathieu Ndirumpatse. A status conference was held on Monday 9 February 2009. Mr. Ndirumpatse indicated on that occasion that he was not anymore willing to let the trial continue in his absence while being hospitalised and with the facilities he has been provided with to be able to participate in his defence. Therefore, on Monday 16 February 2009, the Chamber will hear the Parties submissions on both the issues of stay of proceedings and severance.

Muvunyi

The trial was scheduled to commence on 12 January 2009. However, the Defence Counsel failed to appear on that date, and the Chamber adjourned the proceedings until 14 January. On that day, the Presiding Judge rendered various oral decisions, including a denial of the request for a hearing on the motion for provisional release and on the scope of the retrial limiting the admissible evidence to the

evidence previously adduced during the initial trial. The Chamber currently has three motions pending. The Chamber will address the issue of rescheduling the commencement of the trial in due course.

4. Appeals Chamber

The Appeals Chamber is seized of four cases involving appeals from judgement.

In the *Bikindi* case, both parties filed notices of appeal from the Trial Judgement rendered on 2 December 2008 and the briefing is in progress.

On 2 February 2009, the Appeals Chamber rendered its Judgement in the *Karera* case, affirming his sentence of imprisonment for the remainder of his life.

In the *Zigiranyirazo* case, where the Trial Judgement was rendered on 18 December 2008, both parties filed notices of appeal. The Appeals Chamber granted an extension of time to Protais Zigiranyirazo to file his appellant's brief within 40 days of the filing of the French translation of the judgement.

In the *Nchamihigo* case, the Appeals Chamber granted a 30-day extension of time to Simeon Nchamihigo to file his notice of appeal upon the filing of the French translation of the Trial Judgement.

In connection with the *Bagosora et al.* Trial Chamber Judgement pronounced on 18 December 2008, the Appeals Chamber decided that the notices of appeal from the prosecution, Anatole Nsengiyumva, and Aloys Ntabakuze are to be filed within 30 days of the filing of the written Trial Judgement. The Judgement was filed on 9 February. The Appeals Chamber also decided that Theoneste Bagosora's notice of appeal is to be filed no later than 30 days from the date of the filing of the French translation of the Trial Judgement; his appellant's brief no later than 75 days from the date of the filing of his notice of appeal; and his brief in reply, if any, no later than 15 days from the date of the filing of the French translation of the prosecution's respondent's brief.

In addition to these appeals, the Appeals Chamber is seized of a request for review relating to the *Media* case Appeal Judgement, filed by Jean-Bosco Barayagwiza; a request for review filed by Eliezer Niyitegeka; as well as applications from Georges Rutaganda, Emmanuel Ndirabahizi, and Alfred Musema concerning post appeal matters.

On 30 January 2008, the Appeals Chamber dismissed an interlocutory appeal in the *Karemera et al.* case concerning Matthieu Ndirumpatse's witness list.

From the beginning of 2009, the Appeals Chamber has rendered one Judgement, in the *Karera* case, two decisions on interlocutory appeals, one decision concerning post appeal matters, and twenty-four preliminary decisions or orders.

To date, the Appeals Chamber has delivered twenty-one Appeal Judgements, concluding the appellate proceedings in respect of twenty-seven persons.



Judicial Decisions of the ICTR from 1 December 2008—31 January 2009

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03/12/2008	ICTR-97-21-1012	NYIRAMASUHUKE ET NTAHOBALI - DECISION ON NTAHOBALI'S MOTION FOR EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE OR FOR RECALL OF PROSECUTION WITNESSES QY, SJ AND OTHERS	TC 2
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03/12/2008	ICTR-97-21-1012	NYIRAMASUHUKE ET NTAHOBALI - DECISION ON NTAHOBALI'S MOTION FOR EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE OR FOR RECALL OF PROSECUTION WITNESSES QY, SJ AND OTHERS	TC 2
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04/12/2008	ICTR-98-44-1381	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON JOSEPH NZIRORERA'S 20TH NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF RULE 66 AND MOTION FOR REMEDIAL AND PUNITIVE MEASURES: COLONEL FELICIEN MUBERUKA	TC 3
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16/01/2009	ICTR-98-41-2304	BAGOSORA ET AL - DECISION ON PROSECUTION'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL	AC
16/01/2009	ICTR-00-55B-0096	HATEGEKIMANA - DECISION ON PROSECUTION EXTREMELY URGENT MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE MEASURES	TC 3
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26/01/2009	ICTR-00-55A-0352/2	MUVUNYI - DECISION RELATIVE A LA REQUETE DE MUVUNYI AUX FINS DE MISE EN LIBERTE PROVISOIRE	AC
26/01/2009	ICTR-07-91-0138	NSHOGOZA - DECISION ON DEFENCE MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION ON 24 NOVEMBER 2008 WITNESS PROTECTION ORDER	TC 3
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27/01/2009	ICTR-05-88-0132	KALIMANZIRA - DECISION RELATIVE AUX REQUETES DE LA DEFENSE AUX FINS DE MAINLEVEE DES MESURES DE PROTECTION DES TEMOINS AB19 ET AK01	TC 3
28/01/2009	ICTR-99-52-2346	NAHIMANA ET AL - BARAYAGWIZA - DECISION ON JEAN-BOSCO BARAYAGWIZA'S MOTIONS OF 11 DECEMBER 2008 AND 6 JANUARY 2009	AC
28/01/2009	ICTR-01-73-0704	ZIGIRANYIRAZO - DECISION ON PROTAIS ZIGIRANYIRAZO'S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME	TC 3
29/01/2009	ICTR-00-55A-0390	MUVUNYI - DECISION ON THE DEFENCE MOTION FOR PROVISIONAL RELEASE - RULE 65 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE	Trial Team IV
29/01/2009	ICTR-00-55A-0388	MUVUNYI - DECISION ADMITTING THE EXPERT EVIDENCE OF EVARISTE NTAKIRUTIMANA - RULES 92BIS (D) AND 94BIS OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE)	Trial Team IV
29/01/2009	ICTR-00-55A-0389	MUVUNYI - DECISION ON PROSECUTION MOTION FOR CERTIFICATION TO APPEAL THE LIMITATION OF THE SCOPE OF THE RETRIAL	Trial Team IV
29/01/2009	ICTR-99-54-0093	NGIRABATWARE - DECISION ON PROSECUTION MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND THE INDICTMENT	TC 2
29/01/2009	ICTR-00-55B-0104	HATEGEKIMANA - REPONSE CONJOINTE DU PROCUREUR AUX REQUETES DE LA DEFENSE EN -RECONSIDERATION DES DECISIONS DE LA CHAMBRE SUR LES MESURES DE PROTECTION DES TEMOINS.....	TC 3
29/01/2009	ICTR-98-44-1545	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION ON JOSEPH NZIRORERA'S MOTIONS FOR SUBPOENA TO: FABIEN BUNANI, EUGENE MBARUSHIMANA, AND PASCAL NTAWUMENYUMUNSI	TC 3
29/01/2009	ICTR-98-44-1546	KAREMERA ET AL - DECISION SUR LA REQUETE D'EDOUARD KAREMERA AUX FINS D'EXTENSION DE DELAI POUR DEPOSER SA REPONSE A LA REQUETE DU PROCUREUR EN ADMISSION DE PREUVES	TC 3

Three New *Ad Litem* Judges Join Tribunal

Three new *ad litem* judges appointed by the United Nations Secretary General to the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda have already reported for work in Arusha, Tanzania.

The three are Judge Joseph Masanche (Tanzania) who was sworn in on 12 January 2009 during a ceremony witnessed by the Registrar Mr. Adama Dieng, representing the UN Secretary General. The swearing-in ceremonies of Judge Mparany Mamy

Richard Rajohnson (Madagascar) on 26 January 2009 and Judge Aydin Sefa Akay (Turkey), on 29 January 2009 were witnessed by the Deputy Registrar, Mr. Everard O'Donnell. The ceremonies were administered by the Tribunal's President, Judge Dennis Byron.

Their appointment was made following an appeal, in December 2008, by the President of the Tribunal Judge Dennis Byron, to the UN Security Council to appoint more *ad litem* judges to replace those permanent and *ad litem* judges who have resigned and to assist the Tribunal in light of the heavy workload facing it this year.



L-R—Mr. Dieng, Judge Masanche, Judge Byron, Judge Rajohnson and Judge Akay

Judge Masanche (64) was Judge of the High Court of Tanzania since 1989. Prior to that he worked in the judiciary in various capacities as Resident Magistrate, District Registrar and Judge In-Charge. He graduated in 1970 with an LLB from the University of East Africa.

Judge Rajohnson (60) was General Secretary of the Ministry of Justice since 2002. He worked for several years in senior positions in the Ministry of Justice and as a Judge and Senior Examining Magistrate in the courts of Madagascar. He has a Diplôme (Postgraduate degree) from the Judicial Studies Institute and Licence (Bachelor's degree) in private law from the Antananarivo University.

Judge Akay (58) was Legal Counsellor in the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Turkish Permanent Representations to the UN, UNESCO and to the Council of Europe, Strasbourg. In this function, he represented the Turkish government in cases before the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg. Judge Akay worked for many years as a lawyer in civil and criminal law. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in 1972 from the Ankara University, Faculty of Law and in 1998, he obtained his Master's Degree and a PhD in Human Rights from the Hacettepe University, Atatürk.

ICTR Briefs the Press in Nairobi

The Norfolk hotel in Nairobi did not expect so many journalists and media representatives on Thursday 11 December 2008 so early in the morning. They were all rushing to the hotel conference room where the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) had invited them for a breakfast briefing. Guests sitting on the terrace of the hotel having their breakfast were surprised by the crowd of journalists. Cameramen and photographers carrying their equipment entered the breakfast room, dragging cables and moving chairs in order to be in the front row for the briefing called by ICTR. The interest of the media that day was legitimate. In a few days, on 18 December 2008, ICTR would render one of its most important judgments since its inception in the small town of Arusha, north west of



Tanzania which gained fame because the international community decided to locate the seat of the International Criminal Tribunal there. The Tribunal's aim is to adjudicate the masterminds behind the most heinous acts of barbarism committed in the 20th Century.



Roland Amoussouga and Bocar Sy

Roland Amoussouga, Chief of External Relations and Strategic Planning Section and the Spokesperson of the ICTR and Bocar Sy, Head of Communication invited the media for the briefing which covered, among others topics, the Bagosora judgment, focus on transfers of cases to national jurisdictions like Rwanda and other countries, the Completion Strategy of the Tribunal and cases of accused persons at large. The journalists present showed a lot of interest but their main concern was related to the case of Felicien Kabuga, "stake holder" of the 1994 genocide who has taken refuge in Kenya according to the latest evidence gathered by the investigators of the Tribunal. During his presentation the Spokesperson of ICTR called upon "Member States to take more active steps in apprehending the remaining fugitives". He added, "the value of our achievements will be diminished unless all these arrests are secured".

Fruitful Mission to West Africa

From 21 to 31 January, the Registrar, Mr. Adama Dieng led ICTR Delegation on mission to Dakar on the invitation of the judiciary body of Senegal and to Mali to assess and inspect the conditions of imprisonment of the 14 ICTR convicts who are currently serving their sentence there. The delegation was composed of Mr. Roland Amoussouga, Chief, External Relations & Strategic Planning Section (ERSPS) and ICTR Spokesperson, Mr. Mandiaye Niang, Special Assistant to the Registrar, Ms. Stéphanie Rouault and Ms. Hélène Dolin, Courtroom steno-typists and Mr. Xavier Rosencwajg, Audio-Video technician. The Delegation left Arusha on 21 January 2009 for Dakar, Senegal, the first phase of its mission.

As part of the ICTR's outreach effort in contributing to the capacity building and enhancement of the national jurisdictions in Africa, the ICTR Delegation attended on 23 January 2009 the opening session of the Judiciary in Dakar, Senegal. During the ceremony, they

conducted a demonstration of real-time court reporting in the presence of His Excellency Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of the Republic of Senegal, members of the Senegalese Government, the Diplomatic Corps and local Dignitaries. ICTR's cooperation with the Senegalese Judiciary on the use of new technologies in the justice delivery process was highly acclaimed. It was the first time in Senegal that a solemn court proceeding was completely recorded by steno-typists in real time. This demonstration attracted a lot of interest from the Senegalese judiciary and from other official authorities. It was agreed that further steps would be taken to ensure a successful integration of these new technologies in the judicial process. In order to assist the Senegalese judiciary, ICTR will soon provide it with a feasibility document detailing the technical requirements and the overall cost estimates.

While in Dakar, the Registrar, accompanied by his close collaborators and the Executive Director of the Africa Legal Aid (AFLA) Ms Evelyn AnKumah, met several officials of the Senegalese Government to discuss and agree on matters relating to the preparation of a joint international forum on ICTR Gender Justice, which is to be held on 6 and 7 March 2009 in Dakar. They held fruitful meetings with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Minister of Justice, the Minister in charge of Family and Gender, the Dutch Deputy Ambassador in Senegal and Senior officials of the Ministry of Information, including the Director of the National Television. The meetings helped secure important undertakings and pledges for a successful organization of the upcoming forum. In addition, the Registrar was received in an audience by His Excellency President Abdoulaye Wade to review matters of mutual cooperation.

After Dakar, the Registrar, his Special Assistant and the Chief of ERSPS proceeded on 27 January 2009 to Bamako, Mali, for the second phase of the mission.

The mission was mainly focused on the assessment and inspection of the conditions of imprisonment of the 14 ICTR convicts transferred to the newly renovated Koulikoro prison. Through the good office of Mr. Joseph Byll-Cataria, UNDP Resident Representative and Coordinator of the activities of the Agencies of the United Nations System, a trip to Koulikoro was organized. A guided tour was provided to the ICTR delegation,



The Delegation with the ICTR Convicts in Mali

This visit provided the Registrar with an opportunity to physically assess the level of functionality of the newly built cells. The Registrar also held a general town hall meeting with all the ICTR prisoners and the management of the prison. He discussed issues relating to communication, maintenance, medical care,

etc. The Registrar decided on immediate interim and long-term measures to solve some of the problems raised, like the improvement of the running water system and communication with ICTR. He also agreed to further review other issues raised upon his return to Arusha. This was the case for the transfer to Mali of the convicts' personal effects and the coverage of some particular medical expenses. The Registrar also promised to seize the Prosecutor of the issue of restitution of personal properties that were seized during arrest.

In a separate meeting with the Chief Warden, the Registrar clarified the legal status of ICTR prisoners in Mali where the Malian National Law applies.



L-R: Mr. Roland Amoussouga, Mr. Amadou Toumani Touré, the President of Mali, Mr. Adama Dieng and Mr. Mandiaye Niang

In the presence of the UNDP Resident Representative, the Registrar and his delegation met with the Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. They also held fruitful meetings with the Ministry of Justice in the presence of the Director of National Prisons, with the Prime Minister and with the President of the Republic of Mali.



L-R: Mr. Joseph Byll-Cataria, UNDP Resident Representative, Mr. Maharafa Traoré, Mali Minister of Justice & Mr. Adama Dieng

These meetings provided the Registrar with the opportunity to appease some legitimate concerns on the part of the officials of the Malian penitentiary system as regards possible impact of the closure of the ICTR operations on the enforcement of ICTR sentences in Mali. The Registrar clarified issues relating to the residual mechanism and legacy, currently under consideration before the Security Council. Indeed, the Malian authorities were anxious to know what would happen once the ICTR winds up its activities. Would there be continuation in the contribution of the United Nations to the upkeep and maintenance costs of the ICTR prisoners throughout



the duration of the enforcement of their sentences in Mali. The way forward has been agreed upon.

Upon completion of their mission, the Registrar and his delegation left Bamako on Friday 30 January 2009.

News from Kigali

- **ICTR to Open More Information Centres in Rwanda**

The International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), on 10 January 2009 completed the exercise of setting up and organising 10 Mini-Information and Documentation Centres in Rwanda. This activity was implemented by Umusanzu Centre.

The centres, located in Rubavu, Musanze, Muhanga, Nyamagabe, Rusizi, Karongi, Ngoma, Gicumbi, Nyagatare and Gasabo judiciary are aimed at bridging the information gap between ICTR and the people of Rwanda.

Having catered for the Kigali population through its main Information Centre; "Umusanzu mu Bwiyunge", (which translates as "a contribution to reconciliation") the Tribunal decided to expand its outreach coverage to the ten regions with financial support from the European union.



Karongi Information Centre

The Centres have televisions that will enable area residents to follow live telecasts of court sessions in Arusha, Tanzania, the seat of the Tribunal. The Centres are also equipped with books, chairs, shelves, printers, photocopying machines and computers that will aid the residents to access information on the Internet.

The extension of "Umusanzu mu Bwiyunge" facilities to the provinces means easy access to information about the the work of the Tribunal by the Rwandan public and local government officials, judicial personnel, teachers, religious leaders and students.

The first Centre was opened on 14 November 2008 at Gasabo Higher Court of Instance in Kabuga, Kigali city by the ICTR Registrar Mr. Adama Dieng accompanied by the Head of the European Commission to Rwanda, Mr. David Macrae, and a representative of the Government of. The occasion was also witnessed by representatives from UN Agencies and International organisations in Rwanda.

The remaining nine centres will soon to be opened officially. The ICTR, through its outreach programme, continues to inform and sensitise the population on the role of International Justice in contributing to the Unity and Reconciliation Process in Rwanda. Various programmes are regularly carried out in the country ranging from awareness raising workshops in schools and at community centres, exhibitions, screening of documentaries, and capacity building for various professionals.

- **Kigali Hosts Video Conference on Memorial to the Holocaust**

The ICTR in Kigali on Monday 26 January 2009 was the venue of a video conference commemorating the International Day for the Rememberance of Holocaust Victims . The event, organised by the United Nations Department of Information was coordinated by Mr. Innocent Kamanzi, ICTR Information Officer of the ERSPS Sub Office in Kigali.



Innocent Kamanzi and Rwandan students during the conference

The video conference was attended by nine institutions; six UN Information Centres in Africa (Antananarivo, Brazaville, Bujumbura, Dakar, Lome and Yaounde) the ICTR, Memorial de la Shoah in Paris, France and the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

News from The Hague

- **External Relations and Outreach Activities**

The Head of the ICTR Office in The Hague, Mr. Koffi Kumelio A. Afandé, represented the Registrar of the ICTR at the traditional new year reception organised by command of Her Majesty the Queen of the Kingdom of Netherlands in honour of the Diplomatic Corps and International Organisations. The reception took place on Wednesday, 7 January 2009 at the Noordeinde Palace in The Hague.

As part of the activities to raise awareness about the Tribunal's work in developing international criminal law and justice, Mr. Afandé, on 26 January 2009 briefed a group of students of the "Fachhochschule des Bundes für öffentliche Verwaltung" in Bruehl/Germany who were on a visit to the ICTY, on progress in the implementation of the Tribunal's Completion Strategy. He laid emphasis on the key decisions and rulings that had broken new ground in the fight against the culture of impunity, as reflected in the case law, and outlined the number of cases completed and the number of accused tried as of 18 December 2008. He enlightened the visiting students on the difficulties encountered by the Tribunal in referring cases to



national jurisdictions as well as on the heavy workload facing the Tribunal in 2009 at both trial and appeal levels. Mr. Afande stressed the challenges facing the Tribunal in areas such as investigations on and the arrest of fugitives, relocation of acquitted and released prisoners, transfer of prisoners and enforcement sentences. He also informed the visitors about progress made in establishing Residual Mechanisms to deal with essential functions that will continue after the closure of the Tribunal and the arrangements being made to preserve the Legacy of the Tribunal.

• **Inter-Tribunals/Courts Co-operation, ICTR-Internal Co-operation**

Ms Justine Ndongo-Keller, Chief of the Language Services Section (LSS), stopped over in The Hague for a three-day visit to the Language Services Sub-Unit (LSS-U) of ACSU from 26 to 28 January 2009.

In addition to having working sessions with the staff of LSS-U, the Chief of Section paid a courtesy call on President Robinson and had a meeting with her counterpart in ICTY.

ICTR Staff News

• **ICTR Fitness/Welfare Centre**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Aero -body Pump</p> <p>18.00 – 19.00</p> <p>It is a combination of different aerobic exercise which will reduce your stress level and increase your lung and heart efficiency</p>	<p>Yoga Increase Flexibility</p> <p>1730-18.00</p> <p>Body Combat 18.00 – 19.00</p> <p>It is a very high energy cardiovascular class that combines martial arts movements</p>	<p>Tummy Killer</p> <p>18.00 – 19.00</p> <p>it is designed to improve your abdominal muscles and give you a perfect shape</p>	<p>Step Interval</p> <p>19.00 – 20.00</p> <p>It is an aerobic exercise with the use of an elevated platform "the step". An excellent Fat-Burner</p>	<p>Stretching</p> <p>18.00 – 18.45</p> <p>It helps maintain flexibility and will keep your body flexible. It is the best prevention against muscle tension, and increase circulation of the blood to various part of the body.</p>	<p>Circuit Training</p> <p>10.00- 11.00</p> <p>It is a type of interval training in which strength exercises are combined with endurance.</p>

ICTR Staff Counselling/Welfare Unit



2009 a New Year...

Many people look forward to the New Year for a new start on old habits - Anonymous

Dear Colleagues,

The early days of the New Year are the most crucial in planning for the entire year. That is when most people sketch a graph for the entire year. However be realistic with your plan. To implement the goals you would like to achieve, you would need to keep track of each small step towards your larger goals. In some societies, people talk about New Year resolutions which amount to commitments you make to change your behavior. It can provide a sort of direction for people to follow in the coming year.

Some female staff told us that it would be good to lose some weight and spend more time with their kids; a local staff member is planning to build a house in Arusha with his savings; a cleaner at the Serengeti

wing says she would like to visit Zanzibar this year; two senior managers at DASS Office are thinking of climbing the Kilimanjaro, etc. and I believe that many of us are thinking and working on securing a new job.

Let's welcome this New Year with some important resolutions:

Be Healthy: Let us welcome this New Year with a resolution to get in shape and be healthy and fit. Planned dieting coupled with regular exercise is the key to shedding those extra calories and being in perfect health throughout the year. Adopt the New Year resolution to be healthy and feel the difference health provides. This year, we have hired two high qualified Aerobics instructors to meet your demands Aerobics and sport sessions are going to be organized soon.

Learn something new and improve your skills: Have you resolved to learn something new this New Year? It will help you in your career development. If possible, ask your supervisor for permission to spend sometime learning something new. For instance, if you are working at Procurement Unit, you could spend



an hour a day learning about work at the Supply Unit. Be aware of the skills that you have and which you may need to secure a new job. Plan your own exit strategy...!!!

Improve your networking: Don't hide the fact that you are looking for a job. Many believe that networking is the best way to find a new job. You could approach former ICTR staff members working in other missions or places, with a letter such as: "Anna, as you may know ICTR is in its completion strategy and I have received a contract of 3 months. I would like to ask you a favor, perhaps there is something available for me in your place. Any ideas you have would be highly appreciated."

Spend more time with the family: Make that little difference with your presence in the midst of your family and cherished ones. Take New Year resolutions to go on more trips with your family and visit new places. There are many places to visit in Tanzania, such as the wonderful Lushoto. It is just 3-4 hours away. Get out of the routine and go for a trip or plan a vacation to make this New Year different from the other years.

Quit Drinking/Smoking: why not to welcome the New Year with a resolution to quit drinking and smoking and enjoy a healthy life?

Enjoy Life More: Get out of the stress of daily chores and enjoy the spirit of living an easy life. Adopt a New Year resolution to enjoy life more and to derive the maximum pleasure from 2009.

Help Others: Let's adopt a popular and unselfish New Year resolution of helping others. Be more involved in community work.

Try to be realistic with the goals you set for yourself and talk about them. It is important that you don't keep

your resolutions secret. In some cultures, people prefer to keep them to themselves, but If possible, try to share them with a very close friend or a family member who will be there to support and encourage you.

Remember: nothing gets accomplished in one day. Resolutions may be set in a day, but accomplished with a hundred steps that occur throughout the year. If you decide to start going to the gym, remember that it takes time to make it a habit for it to become part of your personality, so stick to it until it becomes a habit.

The ICTR Gym has two renowned fitness instructors:

- **Ramadhani Shebughe**



Rama has eight years of experience as a fitness instructor. He used to work for sports complexes such as Total Body Fitness, Players and BodyTech in Arusha and BMK Health Club, etc., in Dar es Salaam.

- **Mr. Revocatus Mtani**

Revo has been a trainer for the past three years and has worked in Gyms such as Muscular Gym, Cleopatra and New Arusha Hotel, all of which are in Arusha town. He now works for ICTR Fitness/Welfare Committee.

