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Tribunal Pénal International pour le Rwanda International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

IN THE APPEALS CHAMBER

Before:

Judge Theodor Meron, Presiding Judge

Judge Mohamed Shahabuddeen

Judge Mehmet Güney **Judge Fausto Pocar**

Judge Inés Mónica Weinberg de Roca

Registrar:

Mr. Adama Dieng

Decision of:

16 April 2004

THE PROSECUTOR

v.



CASIMIR BIZIMUNGU JUSTIN MUGENZI JEROME BICAMUMPAKA PROSPER MUGIRANEZA

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DECISION ON MOTIONS TO SEAL ANNEXTURE "A" TO THE PROSECUTOR'S APPEAL BRIEF

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- 1. Prosper Mugiraneza, the Respondent in this interlocutory appeal, has filed an urgent motion to seal documents that the Prosecution as Appellant filed with the Appeals Chamber. In response, the Prosecution filed an urgent motion of its own conceding that the documents should have been filed confidentially and therefore should now be sealed.²
- 2. The urgency arises from the fact that the Prosecution filed its appeal brief in this matter³ without designating any part of it confidential, even though Annexture A to that brief ("Annexture A") contained the full names, pseudonyms, and anticipated testimony of sixteen Prosecution witnesses who are subject to protective measures ordered by Trial Chamber II at the request of the Prosecution.
- 3. The parties agree that the filing of Annexture A as a public document violated the Trial Chamber's protective measures and request the Appeals Chamber to place that document under seal. The Appeals Chamber is satisfied that an order sealing Annexture A is necessary to protect the security of the witnesses concerned and to uphold the order of the Trial Chamber.
- 4. For the foregoing reasons, the Appeals Chamber:
 - GRANTS the motions by Prosper Muginareza and the Prosecution to seal Annexture A;
 - ORDERS that Annexture A be and hereby is designated confidential;
 - **DIRECTS** the Registrar to take all necessary steps to ensure that Annexture A is not publicly disseminated in contravention of the protective measures ordered by the Trial Chamber; and
 - ORDERS the parties, their employees and agents in receipt of Annexture A to refrain from disclosing or disseminating the contents thereof except as permitted by the Trial Chamber.

Prosper Mugiraneza's Emergency Motion to Seal Annexture A to the Prosecutor's Appellate Brief, 13 April 2004.

² Prosecutor's Urgent Motion to Seal Annexture "A" to the "Prosecutor's Appeal Against Trial Chamber II Decision of 5 February 2004," dated 14 April 2004.

³ Prosecutor's Appeal Against Trial Chamber II Decision of 5 February 2004, dated 31 March 2004. Case No. ICTR-99-50-AR73.4

Done in French and English, the English text being authoritative.

Done this 16th day of April 2004, At The Hague, The Netherlands.

Theodor Meron
Presiding Judge

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