

**Case: Slobodan Medić *et al***  
**War Crimes Chamber**  
**Belgrade District Court, Republic of Serbia**  
**Case number: K.br. 6-05**

**Trial Chamber:** Gordana Božilović-Petrović, Judge, Trial Chamber President, Vesko Krstajić, Judge, Trial Chamber Member, Vinka Beraha-Nikićević, Judge, Trial Chamber Member

**Prosecutor:** Bogdan Stanković

**Accused:** Slobodan Medić, Pera Petrašević, Aleksandar Medić, Aleksandar Vukov and Branislav Medić

**Report:** Nataša Kandić, Humanitarian Law Center (HLC) and Dragoljub Todorović, Attorney, victims representatives

**12 May 2006**

**Examination of witness Petar Dmitrović a.k.a. ‘Čubra’**

The witness arrived in the unit in mid-1993 and stayed in it until November 1995, when the unit was forced to leave Croatian territory as a result of the signing of the Erdut peaceful reintegration agreement. He was persuaded to join by Branislav Vučenović, whom he knew well, and he also knew the commander and a number of others. When the unit went out into the field in June 1995, the witness was deputy to company commander Đuro Opačić, a duty he performed while in the field at Trnovo.

The witness said that the commander’s security comprised Pera Petrašević, Milorad Momić, Aleksandar Medić and Slobodan Davidović, who always slept in the same house as Medić. While Medić may have gone somewhere on his own or without one of the four, the four never went anywhere without their commander.

The witness said he knew nothing about the incident itself because he had been manning the front line with his soldiers. Half the company manned the line and the other half rested. He commanded one half and commander Opačić the other. Although he alleged he knew nothing about the execution, the witness said: ‘While I was at the front line I heard someone say that some people, some prisoners had been around.’ When the Trial Chamber President asked him when he heard the prisoners being mentioned, he replied that he could not say that because one loses the sense of time in the woods.

He said he first learned of the incident when he saw the footage on television in June 2005.

**Victims’ Legal Representative notes:**

*Significantly, the only time the security guards went away without their commander was to carry out the execution that is the subject-matter of the indictment.*

The hearing was attended by Nura Begović, Rejha Avdić, Naza Hasanović, Ešefa Alić, Refija Alić and Bahra Kandžetović from the Srebrenica Women's Association as well as by Nura Alispahić, mother of Azmir Alispahić, and Safeta Muhić, sister of Safet Fejzić.