

**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

**15 March 2006**

**Examination of witness Đuro Mileusnić**

The witness said that during his service on the Trnovo front he was not with his unit but served as a driver attached to the command post in Trnovo where RS police and army units were stationed.

He said he had only learned of the execution of the prisoners in the Trnovo sector when he saw the video footage on television.

Because of his manner of giving evidence and his avoidance of direct answers, the Trial Chamber President found it necessary on several occasions to caution him that making perjurious statements was a criminal offence.

**Examination of witness Đuro Opačić**

The witness joined the unit in 1992 but did not remember the month. At that time the unit numbered about 30 men guarding the facilities of the Krajina Oil Industry company. The unit was part of the Vukovar Corps of the VRS and got its name 'Škorpioni' in 1994.

On the Trnovo front the witness commanded a company with Petar Dmitrović a.k.a. 'Čubra' serving as his deputy. He commanded half the unit at the front line for four days, then the other half took over for as many days under the command of his deputy Dmitrović.

As to the execution itself the witness said he had had no knowledge of it other than hearing rather vague accounts concerning an incident in which a number of prisoners were reportedly killed. He said that he had asked commander Medić at the time whether the rumours were true and that he received the reply that no incident had occurred.

## **Victims' Legal representative Notes**

*Neither the Trial Chamber nor any other participant in the proceedings brought to Opačić's attention Slobodan Stojković's assertion that Opačić was present when Commander Medić gave Stojković the order to go and film the execution. If Stojković's assertion is true, it follows that Opačić concealed the facts of Commander Medić's involvement in the shooting of the prisoners.*

The hearing was attended, under arrangements made by the HLC, by Hajra Ćatić, Rejha Avdić, Naza Hasanović and Ešefa Alić of the Srebrenica Women's Association, Hana Fejzić, mother of Safet, Hana Salkić, mother of Saib, and Nura Alispahić, mother of Azmir.

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