



**Republic of Serbia
Office of the War Crimes Prosecutor**

**DISTRICT COURT IN BELGRADE
WAR CRIMES CHAMBER**

9 October 2006

Pursuant to my authority under Articles 46 '2(3), 265 '1, 266 and 341 of the Criminal Procedure Code, I hereby alter the INDICTMENT preferred on 7 October 2005 and registered under the above number,

INDICTMENT

Against the following accused:

1. SLOBODAN MEDIĆ,
2. PERO PETRAŠEVIĆ,
3. ALEKSANDAR MEDIĆ,
4. ALEKSANDAR VUKOV, and
5. BRANISLAV MEDIĆ,

whose respective personal details have been specified in the course of the proceedings so far.

BACKGROUND AND CHARGES

At all times relevant to this indictment there was a state of civil war conducted in the territory of the then Bosnia and Herzegovina between the armed forces of the Serbian, Croatian and Muslim ethnic groups. Active within the Republic of Srpska Krajina Army was the so-called »Scorpions« paramilitary unit, formed by the Republic of Srpska Krajina Oil Industry public enterprise. The Scorpions' original responsibility was to safeguard oil rigs in the village of Đeletovci and the surrounding areas. On 16 or 17 July 1995, at the site of Godinjske Bare in the vicinity

of Trnovo, in their capacity of the Scorpions members, the aforementioned accused individuals acted in contravention of the following regulations:

Article 3 '1 (1-A) of the IV Geneva Convention on protection of civilians in a state of war, passed on 12 August 1949 and ratified by the FPRY National Assembly (The FPRY Official Gazette No. 24/50), as well as Articles 4 '2-A and 13 of the II Annexed Protocol to the stated Convention,

Whereby they broke the rules of international law.

Aided and abetted by a number of FNU LNU members of the same unit, among whom were persons nicknamed »Miša Turčin« and »Đole Šiptar«, the herein accused individuals killed six Muslim captives, whereof Safet FEJZIĆ (born in 1978), Azmir ALISPAHIĆ (born in 1978), Sait SALKIĆ (born in 1975), Sadik SALKIĆ (born in 1978) and Smail IBRAHIMOVIĆ have been positively identified so far.

Further to the order issued by a FNU LNU superior of the Republic of Srpska Army, whereof the Scorpions constituted an active part, stating that the aforementioned captives, previously transported from Srebrenica, were to be deprived of life, the Scorpions commander, acc. Slobodan MEDIĆ, instructed the herein accused: Pero PETRAŠEVIĆ, Aleksandar MEDIĆ and Branislav MEDIĆ, as well as Milorad MOMIĆ and Slobodan DAVIDOVIĆ (the case against the latter two has been conducted within separate proceedings), to execute the captives at a site close to the battlefield, where military operations were in progress, whereby the victims' deaths could be misrepresented as an aftermath of the stated operations; by means of radio links, Slobodan MEDIĆ reported the plan to his deputy, acc. Aleksandar VUKOV, who was at the time deployed in the field; in subsequence, the captives were loaded on a truck and transported from Trnovo towards the location where the unit was deployed. When they reached a previously determined point, the captives were removed from the truck and made to lie down facing the ground, while they were surrounded by the accused: Pero PETRAŠEVIĆ, Milorad MOMIĆ, Slobodan DAVIDOVIĆ, Aleksandar MEDIĆ and Branislav MEDIĆ, who were holding automatic rifles in their hands; a short while later, they were joined by acc. Aleksandar VUKOV, who arrived at the site accompanied by a number of unidentified members of the unit, including those known under the aforementioned nicknames. Further to a premeditated plan, VUKOV engaged in the event by assisting the other accused individuals involved therein, since he, being the only one familiar with the terrain around the battlefield, instructed Pero PETRAŠEVIĆ of the site where the captives were to be executed; likewise, VUKOV ordered the soldiers accompanying him to join the operation, whereupon all of them forced the captives along the road towards the execution site; the captives, surrounded by the armed members of the unit, were at a certain point forced to step off the road and take the earth path leading to a group of burnt-down weekend houses; having reached the

structure owned by Hasan ZVIZDIĆ, while acc. Aleksandar MEDIC and several unidentified members of the unit assisted the other accused individuals by watching over the captives so as to prevent them from escaping, the accused: Pero PETRAŠEVIĆ, Branislav MEDIC, Milorad MOMIC and Slobodan DAVIDOVIĆ executed four of the captives by gunshots in the back; as the remaining two captives had carried the corpses of the executed behind the house, the herein accused individuals forced them into the burnt-down structure and ordered them to lie down facing the ground, whereupon they killed the two by gunshots in the head and back. At a later point, the corpses of the executed captives were poured over with petrol and burned on the part of FNU LNU persons.

By acting in the above described manner, the accused: Slobodan MEDIC, Branislav MEDIC and Pero PETRAŠEVIĆ engaged as co-perpetrators in the criminal offence recognised by Art. 142 (1) (war crime against civilians); whereas the accused:

Aleksandar MEDIC and Aleksandar VUKOV engaged as abettors in the criminal offence recognized by Art. 142 (1) (war crime against civilians) juncto Art. 24 of the FRY Penal Code.

WAR CRIMES PROSECUTOR
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