

Annex 7

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Subject: TC X - Further directions on the cross examination of P-0150

Dear counsel,

The Chamber recalls that on 7 July 2021, the Presiding Judge reminded the parties of the logistical constraints, notably the need to conclude P-0150's testimony, including any re-examination and questioning by the Chamber, by 23 July 2021. The Defence was accordingly instructed to organise its time and structure its questioning in a concentrated manner (T-113-CONF-ENG ET p. 59 lines 14-18).

The Chamber also recalls its directions of 9 July 2021 concerning the unfolding of the cross examination (email from the Chamber dated 9 July 2021 at 13:44 and T-114). In this regard, the Chamber reiterates its concern that the Defence intends to spend a considerable amount of the time allotted on the first of five topics, dwelling on details which for the Chamber are of questionable relevance to the issues of the case or the credibility of the witness with respect to the evidence he has given.

Finally, the Chamber further recalls that, in accordance with paragraph 42 of the Direction on the conduct of proceedings, the cross-examination shall last 'no longer' than the questioning by the calling party (789-AnxA, para. 42). This time allotment will be strictly enforced by the Chamber.

In light of the aforementioned directions of the Chamber, the Chamber expects the Defence to organise the remainder of its cross examination in a focused manner.

Kind regards,

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On behalf of Trial Chamber X