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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0931H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 Today, as planned, the Chamber continues to hear testimony of
- 6 witness Kaing Guek Eav, alias Duch. The Prosecution will continue
- 7 putting questions to the witness for another hour, then the
- 8 Chamber will hand over to civil party lawyers to put questions to
- 9 this witness.
- 10 Now the floor is handed over to the Prosecution to continue their
- 11 questioning to this witness, if any.
- 12 [09.32.44]
- 13 QUESTIONING BY MR. SMITH RESUMES:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning. Good morning, Your
- 15 Honours, good morning, counsel, good morning, Witness, and to the
- 16 general public.
- 17 Q. Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, last week we discussed a number of
- 18 matters, and throughout your testimony you referred to the fact
- 19 that CPK leaders attended large rallies or meetings.
- 20 How many rallies or meetings of the CPK did you attend during
- 21 that period from 1975 to 1979?
- 22 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 23 A. Mr. President, there were two types of meetings, the 17 April
- 24 meeting and the August 30th -- rather, the September 30th rally.
- 25 I began joining the rally on the 17 April 1975 -- rather, 1976,

- 1 and I also joined another meeting in that year, 1976.
- 2 In the last -- the last 19 -- the last 17 April rally was
- 3 conducted at the Olympic stadium. It was not conducted at Borei
- 4 Keila as it was conducted before. The previous meetings or
- 5 rallies were conducted at Borei Keila, and the 17 April 1978
- 6 meeting was conducted at the Olympic stadium. It was conducted at
- 7 the basketball court.
- 8 [09.35.14]
- 9 Q. So you referred to attending two rallies, one in 1976 and one
- 10 in 1978. Did you attend a rally in 1977 on the 17th of April?
- 11 A. I joined that meeting.
- 12 Q. And you've also mentioned that you attended rallies on the
- 13 30th of September. About how many of those rallies did you attend
- 14 during those three and a half years?
- 15 A. I attended such meetings in '60 -- rather, '76, '77 and '78.
- 16 During that time, there was a special rally. It was on the 6th of
- 17 January 1978. Pol Pot convened that rally in order to announce
- 18 the victory of the Revolutionary Army over the Vietnamese armies.
- 19 And the formal name of that Vietnamese army was called the
- 20 People's Armies of Vietnam, but I'm not sure about this name. I
- 21 joined that meeting at that time.
- 22 Q. And at these rallies, did you see either of Khieu Samphan,
- 23 Ieng Sary and Nuon Chea at any of these rallies?
- 24 A. Mr. President, the 17 April 1976 rally and during the 17 April
- 25 1977 meeting, there were only two delegates, Brother Pol Pot and

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- 1 Brother Nuon Chea.
- 2 The 13 -- during the 13 -- rather, the 30th September 1976 rally
- 3 and during the 30th September 1977 rally -- was actually
- 4 conducted since the 27 September. And during those meetings, I
- 5 saw only Brother Pol Pot and Brother Nuon Chea on the stage.
- 6 And as for the 17 April 1978, there were a lot of people joining
- 7 that rally. There were four of them. They were Brother Nuon Chea,
- 8 Brother Vorn Vet, Brother Thiounn Thioeunn -- I'm not sure about
- 9 the other. I'm not sure whether it was Brother Ieng Sary or
- 10 Brother Khieu Samphan. I was confused.
- 11 [09.39.41]
- 12 Besides, as for the rally on the 30th of September 1978, on the
- 13 stage there were three people, Brother Secretary Pol Pot, Brother
- 14 Deputy Secretary Nuon Chea and Brother Mok. It was conducted at
- 15 the Olympic stadium.
- 16 Q. Thank you. You've mentioned that, as -- part of your job at
- 17 S-21 was to train, and as a part of that, you read all the
- 18 "Revolutionary Flags" and "Revolutionary Youth".
- 19 So I'd like you to look at a document. It's D243/2.1.12. And I
- 20 have a few questions to ask you about that.
- 21 Your Honour, I have a hard copy if I can provide to the witness,
- 22 please.
- 23 [09.40.53]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 The Chamber permits. Court officer is instructed to bring the

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- 1 document from the Prosecution to the witness.
- 2 BY MR. SMITH:
- 3 Your Honours, also E3/11.
- 4 Q. Witness, if you can look at this document and if you see after
- 5 the first couple of pages, it states: "The presentation of the
- 6 Party representative on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of
- 7 the great victory of the founding of the Communist Party of
- 8 Kampuchea and on the occasion of the official domestic and
- 9 international public announcement of the Party."
- 10 [09.41.56]
- 11 Is this document a record of the speech that you referred to
- 12 earlier in your testimony about the announcement -- the public
- 13 announcement of the CPK?
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Yes. Defence counsel, you may proceed.
- 16 [09.42.26]
- 17 MR. PESTMAN:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning. I don't want to object,
- 19 but I'm just wondering whether we can see the document on the
- 20 screen. I have no document on the screen. Thank you.
- 21 MR. SMITH:
- 22 Yes, Your Honour. We're trying to place it on the screen now.
- 23 Your Honour, whilst the case manager is putting the document on
- 24 the screen, if I'll just continue the questions and it will come
- 25 up shortly.

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- 1 [09.43.21]
- 2 BY MR. SMITH:
- 3 Q. Witness, is this the document -- is this the "Revolutionary
- 4 Flag" that you referred to that announced -- publicly announced
- 5 the Communist Party of Kampuchea?
- 6 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 7 A. Mr. President, the question is not very practical. There were
- 8 two occasions of the announcements. The first one was secretly
- 9 done amongst the Party's members at Borei Keila. That document
- 10 was not published in the "Revolutionary Flag" magazine. I was
- 11 able to take some notes and I kept them at S-21.
- 12 This "Revolutionary Flag" was what Brother Pol read at the
- 13 Central Committee. I used to see this document, but I was not
- 14 really aware of the secret document.
- 15 [09.45.02]
- 16 Q. And the document that you have before you now, is that a copy
- 17 of an original document that you saw back during the -- your
- 18 period at S-21?
- 19 A. Mr. President, I do not believe that there was a copy of the
- 20 original "Revolutionary Flag".
- 21 Q. Thank you. But I'm referring to a photocopy of an original.
- 22 Do you agree that that's a photocopy of the original
- 23 "Revolutionary Flag"?
- 24 A. Mr. President, I did not see that the original was
- 25 photocopied, but I believe this was the copy of the original.

- 1 [09.46.28]
- 2 Q. Thank you. And, Witness, in the speech -- in this speech in
- 3 the "Revolutionary Flag", if I can take you to page 0063138--
- 4 it's tabbed in yellow. It's got a yellow tab, in the document
- 5 before. And English 00486228, in French 00492814. Witness, it has
- 6 a yellow tab and it's 0063138.
- 7 And in this document, do you see point 2? It should be marked
- 8 with a highlighter at page 39 in the Khmer version.
- 9 A. Mr. President, yes, I saw this.
- 10 Q. If you can read briefly the passage starting from point 2, and
- 11 then I have two questions to ask you about it.
- 12 A. Thank you. Mr. President, if I may read, as requested by the
- 13 prosecutor:
- 14 "Point 2, the Congress analyzed and defines the contradictions
- 15 directly inside Kampuchean society. At the time that we were
- 16 working out the Party's line, Kampuchean society was divided into
- 17 five distinct classes; the working class, the peasants class, the
- 18 petit bourgeoisie class, the capitalist class and the feudalist
- 19 class. In all, there were five classes.
- 20 [09.49.20]
- 21 "With their contradictions between these various classes, there
- 22 were -- and they were complicated ones. There were contradictions
- 23 between the workers and the capitalists, between the petit
- 24 bourgeoisie and the capitalists, between the peasants and the
- 25 land owners, between the capitalists and the peasants, etc. The

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- 1 contradictions were complex and much entangled. But which
- 2 contradictions played the leading role in society at that time?"
- 3 [09.50.05]
- 4 To answer this question, we had to find among the many
- 5 contradictions in society the one which involved the majority of
- 6 the population, which class most exploited the others, which
- 7 class was the most exploited and the most numerous.
- 8 An examination of the Kampuchean society of that time reveals
- 9 that the peasants were 85 per cent of the country's entire
- 10 population. Therefore, the peasants were the overwhelming
- 11 majority of the population. They were oppressed by all classes.
- 12 They were oppressed by the capitalists and the landowners.
- 13 However, it was from the landowners that the peasants suffered
- 14 the worst, most varied and most direct oppression.
- 15 Thus, 85 per cent of the population, the peasants, were in
- 16 contradiction with the exploiting class that exploited them
- 17 directly, the landowners.
- 18 [09.51.24]
- 19 Q. Thank you. If I can stop you there and now take you to the
- 20 following page. The ERN number is 0063140, English 00486230 and
- 21 French 00492816. And if I can read out the passage briefly, and
- 22 it's highlighted in your document, it states:
- 23 "Therefore, this contradiction was a life and death
- 24 contradiction. This was a profound contradiction in Kampuchean
- 25 society, one which impacted 85 per cent of the population. It was

- 1 for this reason that the First Party Congress defined this
- 2 contradiction as an antagonistic contradiction."
- 3 Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, my question is: Can you explain -- can you
- 4 explain the meaning within this document of "this contradiction
- 5 was a life and death contradiction"?
- 6 A. Thank you. Mr. President, in the philosophy of the
- 7 dialectical materialism, there were contradictions. The
- 8 contradiction between us and our enemy is the life and death
- 9 contradiction which means that for one to prosper, the other one
- 10 must die. This is what it means and I end my explanation here.
- 11 Q. Thank you. And does the term "antagonistic contradiction" mean
- 12 something different?
- 13 A. Mr. President, the antagonistic contradiction was the
- 14 contradiction between two parties. The two parties rely on each
- 15 other in order to promote the movement. For example, the
- 16 contradiction between the cadre and the combatants; these are the
- 17 internal conflicts. The resolution of this contradiction was done
- 18 through education.
- 19 Q. Thank you.
- 20 [09.54.38]
- 21 I'd now like to move to another topic and this is in relation to
- 22 the role of Khieu Samphan, which you discussed last week, and
- 23 also the role of Sua Vasi, Doeun, who you also discussed last
- 24 week.
- 25 You testified that Khieu Samphan was the Chairman or head of the

- 1 Central Office Committee of the CPK and you also testified that
- 2 Sua Vasi, Doeun, had that role, as well, until he was transferred
- 3 to the Ministry of Commerce. You also testified that although
- 4 Doeun had that role, as well, he was only in charge of
- 5 maintaining documents, but he did not have actual power. And you
- 6 also testified that when Doeun left that role, there was no
- 7 significant change to the role of Khieu Samphan in that
- 8 committee.
- 9 [09.55.49]
- 10 My question is: Who had the higher ranking role in the Party? Was
- 11 it Doeun or Khieu Samphan?
- 12 A. Mr. President, the explanation has to rely on my understanding
- 13 from now. Let me first begin my explanation based on my
- 14 understanding back then.
- 15 For those who loved Khieu Samphan knew clearly that Mr. Khieu
- 16 Samphan was in charge of the ministries in 1971 and he was one of
- 17 Pol Pot's students. From our perspective, we understood that his
- 18 role was nothing. He was only in charge of papers.
- 19 [09.57.27]
- 20 Later on, Doeun was appointed to work as the head of the Central
- 21 Office. We, from the lower levels, knew Doeun as a person and we
- 22 knew that, as Doeun was appointed the Chief of the Central
- 23 Office, the intention was to separate the force of Koy Thuon
- 24 apart.
- 25 From my understanding -- understanding, back then, the head --

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- 1 the position as the head of the Central Office was the
- 2 Secretariat of Pol Pot.
- 3 I also heard, informally, that Brother Pol Pot was in charge of
- 4 distributing machines to the bases. Moreover, there was also
- 5 evidence that Brother Khieu Samphan was the one who accompanied
- 6 Samdech Penn Nouth and Sihanouk to visit countryside. That was
- 7 what I knew back then.
- 8 Q. Thank you. And when Doeun left for the Ministry of Commerce,
- 9 did Khieu Samphan stay in the same position?
- 10 A. When Doeun left for the commerce section and later on he was
- 11 arrested; I still am convinced that Brother Khieu Samphan still
- 12 maintained his position. A few days ago, last week, I already
- 13 talked about this. No one could do anything regarding the
- 14 position Khieu Samphan held.
- 15 Q. And if we go back to my original question, do you know who was
- 16 higher ranking in the CPK? Was it Doeun or Khieu Samphan?
- 17 A. Mr. President, so far as I recollect, I read the record of
- 18 interviews by Khieu Samphan before the Co-Investigating Judges,
- 19 and this account is consistent with what my understanding is.
- 20 [10.01.11]
- 21 Brother Khieu Samphan was the member of the Central Office when
- 22 Doeun was also a member, but a candidate member. He could have
- 23 not been the full-right member; if he were, he could not or he
- 24 would not have held the full-right position as Brother Khieu
- 25 Samphan would. Although Khieu --Doeun could have been the head of

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- 1 the Central Office, he could be inferior than Khieu Samphan
- 2 because he was junior; he was as young as I was back then.
- 3 Q. And do you know who took over Doeun's tasks when he left the
- 4 Central Office to go to the ministry of commerce?
- 5 [10.02.14]
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 (No interpretation)
- 8 MR. VERCKEN:
- 9 Mr. President, I am intervening, quite simply, to point out to my
- 10 learned friend of the accusation that it would be proper for the
- 11 witness to be always precise in his answers when his testimony is
- 12 on issues that he was aware of at the time or information he
- 13 obtained in the course of the investigations. He has done so, so
- 14 far. I wouldn't like the witness to be caused to give a testimony
- 15 without clearly making the distinction between what he knew at
- 16 the time and what he knew, subsequently, as part of the judicial
- 17 investigations. Thank you.
- 18 BY MR. SMITH:
- 19 Yes, Your Honour, I think that's appropriate and I'll ask that
- 20 question.
- 21 [10.03.38]
- 22 Q. Back when you were at S-21, during that period, when Doeun
- 23 left for the Ministry of Commerce, did you know, back then, who
- 24 took over Doeun's tasks in the Central Committee?
- 25 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:

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- 1 A. I'm not sure regarding this. However, the person who knew a
- 2 lot and who took orders from Pol Pot and went all the way to S-21
- 3 was Pang.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 [10.05.04]
- 6 The next question is: In your testimony earlier, at one stage you
- 7 stated that the Central Office Committee was the same as Office
- 8 870; is there a different -- from what you knew back then, was
- 9 there a difference between Office 870 and the Central Office
- 10 Committee or are you saying they -- there -- they were the same
- 11 thing, from what you knew?
- 12 A. The Central Standing Committee, as I already said, comprised
- 13 of seven individuals: one, Brother Pol, Brother Nuon, Brother So
- 14 Phim, Brother Ung Choeun alias Mok, Brother Ieng Sary, Vorn Vet,
- 15 and Son Sen.
- 16 [10.06.24]
- 17 Among the seven people, two were outside; So Phim, the Secretary
- 18 of the East who was -- who was in charge of the East Zone and Ung
- 19 Choeun alias Nok -- alias Mok was also outside supervising the
- 20 whole Southwest Zone.
- 21 Q. Thank you. And in your testimony, you testified that there was
- 22 a -- a Standing Committee, which you've just discussed, and
- 23 you've also testified that there was a Central Office Committee.
- 24 Now, I'm talking about the Central Office Committee of the CPK.
- 25 And my question is: To your knowledge, back then, was the Central

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- 1 Office Committee the same as Office 870 or was it different?
- 2 A. Thank you for the question. Mr. President, the Central
- 3 Standing Committee comprised of the seven people, as indicated.
- 4 However, when it comes to the office of 870, it was the location
- 5 where people worked regularly; five people worked regularly,
- 6 Brother Pol, Brother Nuon, Brother Van, Brother Vorn, and Brother
- 7 Khieu, who had worked on a regular basis at the office.
- 8 Q. So are you saying then that when you referred to the Central
- 9 Office Committee of which Khieu Samphan and Doeun were heads that
- 10 is different to Office 870, to your knowledge, back then?
- 11 A. I think the distinction is, in this, as follows: The five
- 12 individuals who stationed in Phnom Penh were embedded with their
- 13 own authority and power as the members of the Standing Committee.
- 14 However, Khieu Samphan and Comrade Doeun did not enjoy the same
- 15 power as those mentioned.
- 16 [10.09.33]
- 17 Khieu Samphan, as the head of the office of 870, he had the
- 18 authority over the units under his supervision and, as I
- 19 indicated, at least there were one -- there was one unit at Chak
- 20 Angrae under his supervision, so this -- this is the real or
- 21 actual unit that I'm very convinced that he oversaw.
- 22 Q. Thank you. The relationship between Khieu Samphan and Pol Pot,
- 23 I think you testified earlier that it was a good relationship; is
- 24 that correct?
- 25 MR. VERCKEN:

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- 1 Mr. President, with your leave? Thank you.
- 2 I think that with the last question -- we went from a testimony
- 3 on what he knew at the time, to something he learned from books.
- 4 Now, the prosecutor is trying to gain an advantage by putting a
- 5 question to the witness on his -- on the relationship between my
- 6 client and Pol Pot, whereas the witness has already stated that
- 7 he never met my client, personally, throughout that period. So I
- 8 wonder on what basis he will rely to answer the prosecutor's
- 9 question.
- 10 [10.11.32]
- 11 This is problematic to me because subsequently we'd have to plead
- 12 and draft our closing brief. Everyone will try to clarify all
- 13 issues. The witness has already been interviewed 65 times as part
- 14 of the judicial investigations in addition to hearings before
- 15 this Chamber. It is, therefore, absolutely important that the
- 16 basis of the testimony he gives here should be crystal clear to
- 17 everyone. That is the main thrust of my submission.
- 18 BY MR. SMITH:
- 19 I'll continue to try and make that distinction between what he
- 20 knew now and what he knew before.
- 21 Q. So, perhaps, if I just rephrase the question and so it's
- 22 clear: Witness, during your period at S-21, were you aware of the
- 23 relationship -- of any relationship between Pol Pot and Khieu
- 24 Samphan and if you were aware of it, what was the nature of that
- 25 relationship?

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- 1 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 2 A. The relationship between Brothers Pol Pot and Khieu Samphan
- 3 was understood very well internally including me, myself, and I
- 4 understood that relation very well. And I just would like to know
- 5 because a person who just -- who graduated from just high school,
- 6 like me, paid great respect to Pol Pot and now Khieu Samphan, who
- 7 was -- who obtained higher education than us; he could still be
- 8 very -- could pay great respect to Pol Pot and we just wanted to
- 9 know why Brother Khieu Samphan respected Pol Pot very much.
- 10 [10.14.08]
- 11 And Koy Thuon discussed about such respect and he indicated that
- 12 the respect could vary from worst person to another. However, in
- 13 general, internally, we understood that this is how people paid
- 14 respect to Pol Pot.
- 15 Q. And did you know, at the time, when you were working at S-21
- 16 whether Pol Pot had the same respect for Khieu Samphan?
- 17 A. Thank you. I think I have no evidence to prove that Bong Pol
- 18 paid any respect to Khieu Samphan. However, I could see that the
- 19 relationship between the superior and the subordinate, it could
- 20 be inferred that the superior paid great attention to his
- 21 subordinate like my superior did to me -- Son Sen, indeed, did to
- 22 me.
- 23 Q. Were you aware of the relationship between Doeun and Pol Pot
- 24 during that period, and what that was like?
- 25 A. I already testified before that Doeun came to work at the

- 1 Central Office in his capacity as the person in charge of the
- 2 secretariat and I still stand by this position.
- 3 [10.16.23]
- 4 And I also told the Court that Doeun, assigned by Pol Pot to the
- 5 position at the Central Office, was to break Koy Thuon's forces
- 6 just to ensure that Koy Thuon's forces could not be well
- 7 connected and this is part of the work of Pol Pot to do so.
- 8 Q. Thank you.
- 9 I'd like to move to another topic now; it's in relation to the
- 10 GRUNK and FUNK members after 17th of April 1975. And the question
- 11 is: Do you know if there was a policy by the CPK with respect to
- 12 non-CPK members of the GRUNK?
- 13 A. I would like to talk about the term "the front." The front was
- 14 meant to gather forces to fulfil some tactical tasks including --
- 15 and in terms of long-term tactical tasks, some were friends, some
- 16 were not friends or enemies. So this is a big issue.
- 17 I may recollect in 1973 that there was a study session. Vorn Vet
- 18 lectured in that session. He said: "We did. We ate. We did our
- 19 best so that we could have something to eat and allow Sihanouk to
- 20 remain our chairman."
- 21 [10.18.53]
- 22 This short phrase made us understand the role of the front. That
- 23 slogan was discussed before 1975.
- 24 Later on, there was another study session lectured by Son Sen. He
- 25 said that our Party had applied different strategies. Our Party

- 1 appointed the state presidium which was rather different from
- 2 others parties. At that time, that was the appointment.
- 3 Later on, through radio broadcast, Sihanouk was heard to have
- 4 resigned from the Party; he retired. However, regarding the
- 5 former officials of the GRUNK, they were made to move to some
- 6 camps including Boeng Trabaek and the camp in Chraing Chamres.
- 7 When Huot Sambath was sent to S-21, Son Sen said when Huot
- 8 Sambath was in charge of the office, Son Sen had endured some
- 9 difficulties because it was Sambath who decided the scholarship
- 10 had to be offered to Son Sen.
- 11 [10.20.58]
- 12 Q. Would you also agree that a number of other high-level
- 13 ministers from the GRUNK were sent to S-21?
- 14 A. Thank you. Back then, ministers were only appointed
- 15 internally; not from the outside.
- 16 Q. Would you agree that a number of former members of the GRUNK
- 17 that held high-level positions were sent to S-21?
- 18 A. The diplomats or ambassadors appointed by the GRUNK were sent
- 19 to S-21 gradually, including Huot Sambath, the name I still
- 20 recollect very well.
- 21 Q. Was there a policy directed against GRUNK members,
- 22 particularly, in light of your answers that they were taken to be
- 23 re-educated and some of them sent to S-21?
- 24 A. Yes, it was. First, people were appointed -- were sent to join
- 25 the re-education centres and later on, they were released because

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- 1 the committee found out that they were bad elements; whether how
- 2 bad they were, it was beyond my understanding, but we, at S-21,
- 3 was -- were tasked with just interrogating any people sent in.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 [10.24.06]
- 6 And one last topic: When you left S-21 in January 1979, did you
- 7 leave all the documents behind?
- 8 A. On the 7 of January, I left Phnom Penh; it was when the tanks
- 9 were already right in front of my home. I left with only a pen
- 10 and a handgun. None of my subordinates or people in my unit could
- 11 manage to bring with them any piece of document, I believe.
- 12 Q. You said, at that time, Nuon Chea was your superior. Did he
- 13 tell you to destroy the documents or bring the documents with you
- 14 or leave the documents at S-21? Did he give you any instructions
- 15 about what to do with the documents when you had to leave Phnom
- 16 Penh?
- 17 A. I once already testified that I met Bong Nuon last and it was
- 18 not clear when I met him, but now I feel that I met on the 1st or
- 19 the 2nd of January 1979 when he ordered the executions of the
- 20 remaining prisoners in S-21. However, he did not talk to me about
- 21 any documents; he did not instruct me on how to handle the
- 22 documents.
- 23 [10.26.14]
- 24 Q. And how many prisoners were there when he gave you that order?
- 25 A. There were more than 100 prisoners; even over 500, I feel.

- 1 Q. And did you obey the order?
- 2 A. Immediately upon receiving the orders, I called Comrade Hor
- 3 who carried the orders immediately. Three days later, he came to
- 4 me that the mission -- the mission accomplished; he already
- 5 carried out the task as ordered.
- 6 Q. Just going back to the documents, you said that you received
- 7 no instructions from Nuon Chea in relation to the documents. At
- 8 some time later, after 1979, did you ever have a discussion with
- 9 Nuon Chea about what happened to the documents at S-21?
- 10 [10.28.14]
- 11 A. This happened in 1983 or 1984, but to my best recollection, it
- 12 was in 1983 rather. Brother Nuon went to Samlout -- Samlout
- 13 battlefield and he called me to meet him on one occasion. He
- 14 asked me whether I met him during the last day to work with him
- 15 or worked with Uncle Hem and I said: Yes, I met with Brother Hem.
- 16 And he asked me about -- what about the documents and I told him
- 17 the documents were in a mess. And he said: Look, on my side, we
- 18 destroyed them all. You were very bad that you could not manage
- 19 this. I think perhaps I could not recall all the words he talked,
- 20 back then, but it was something like that.
- 21 [10.29.41]
- 22 And in 1986, I met Son Sen, my superior, and reported to him on
- 23 all of this and Son Sen said that none -- documents were never
- 24 destroyed completely. I said what Nuon Chea said, so he talked
- 25 about the documents at the Central Office.

- 1 Q. And what mood was Nuon Chea in when he had that discussion
- 2 with you about not destroying the documents at S-21?
- 3 A. Mr. President, whose mood are you talking about? Are you
- 4 talking about the mood of Mr. Nuon Chea or the mood of Mr. Son
- 5 Sen?
- 6 Q. Nuon Chea.
- 7 A. It was his usual mood as I used to work with him. He did not
- 8 normally accept his weaknesses. He did not accept his weaknesses.
- 9 He liked to dominate other.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 I note the defence counsel is on his feet. You may proceed.
- 12 [10.31.41]
- 13 MR. SON ARUN:
- 14 The last answer from the witness was the speculation and I object
- 15 to that.
- 16 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 17 How many questions do you still have, Mr. Co-Prosecutor?
- 18 MR. SMITH:
- 19 One or two last -- very short questions, Your Honour.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 You are permitted to continue and to finish your questions to
- 22 this witness.
- 23 BY MR. SMITH:
- 24 Q. Witness, you've stated, in your interviews with the
- 25 Co-Investigative Judges and also in the Court over the last week,

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- 1 that, from reading the case file, you gained knowledge as to the
- 2 workings of the CPK during that -- the period of 1975 to 1979.
- 3 My question for you is: When you've testified over the last six
- days, has that been from your own personal knowledge, from during 4
- 5 the period, and not taking into account the knowledge you have
- 6 gained later?
- 7 MR. KARNAVAS:
- Mr. President, if I may interject here. 8
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Yes, Counsel.
- 11 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. President. And good morning to everyone in and
- 13 around the courtroom and especially to the Bench.
- 14 [10.33.27]
- The gentleman has testified quite a bit, often indicating what he 15
- 16 learned thereafter. Now we have this all-encompassing question to
- 17 sort of wrap up and sort of deliver on a silver platter the
- 18 gentleman's testimony as if everything that he's told us in the
- 19 last six days is from his memory.
- 20 I think it's farcical to even suggest that, let alone ask him to
- 21 validate his own testimony. I think it's quite clear that on
- 22 occasions he's indicated and he's admitted that what he learned
- 23 later, meaning what he read afterward--
- 24 [10.34.02]
- 25 Now, if he wishes to rephrase the question, perhaps I won't

- 1 object. But this question is self-serving and has no value at
- 2 all. Thank you.
- 3 MR. SMITH:
- 4 Your Honour--
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 National Defence Counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan, you may proceed.
- 7 [10.34.27]
- 8 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President. From -- after hearing answers from
- 10 witnesses -- witness has indicated, at times, that his answers
- 11 may be speculations, and we have heard of these speculations. And
- 12 now the prosecutor tries to elicit answer from the witness prior
- 13 to 1975, and I'm afraid that the witness will not able to do
- 14 that.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Yes, International Co-Prosecutor, you may proceed.
- 17 BY MR. SMITH:
- 18 Thank you, Your Honour. Perhaps I'll just rephrase the question.
- 19 Q. Over the last six days, have you told the truth to the Trial
- 20 Chamber?
- 21 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 22 A. Mr. President, I said everything the other day that I upheld
- 23 everything I said before the Co-Investigating Judges, and
- 24 everything I said during the Case 001 Trial.
- 25 Sometimes I talked in principles, as I respond to questions posed

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- 1 by Judge Lavergne, and sometimes I went into details about what I
- 2 hear and I understand.
- 3 MR. SMITH:
- 4 I have no further questions, Your Honour.
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 It is now appropriate for us to adjourn for 20 minutes, and we
- 8 will resume at 11 o'clock.
- 9 [10.36.45]
- 10 Security guards are instructed to accommodate the witness to his
- 11 waiting room and bring him back before the Court resumes. Yes,
- 12 defence counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary?
- 13 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 14 Good morning, Your Honours. Because of his health issues, Mr.
- 15 Ieng Sary requests that he waive his right to be present in this
- 16 courtroom, but request that he'll be continuing the proceedings
- 17 from the holding cell downstairs for the rest of the day.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Having heard the request from Mr. Ieng Sary through his counsels
- 20 that he would like to waive his rights to be present in this
- 21 courtroom and to continue the proceedings from the holding cell
- 22 below this courtroom, because of his health reasons that he could
- 23 not sit in this courtroom for a long time, the Chamber decides
- 24 that the request is granted, that is, Mr. Ieng Sary now waives
- 25 his right to be present in this courtroom and to continue the

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- 1 proceedings from the holding cell through audio-visual means for
- 2 the rest of today's proceedings.
- 3 The Chamber orders to the defence counsel for Ieng Sary to submit
- 4 the Chamber the written waiver with a thumbprint or a signature
- 5 from the accused, Ieng Sary.
- 6 [10.38.35]
- 7 AV Unit is instructed to live the proceedings to the holding
- 8 cells downstairs for the accused, Ieng Sary.
- 9 Security guards are instructed to bring Mr. Ieng Sary to the
- 10 holding cell.
- 11 The Court is adjourned.
- 12 (Court recesses from 1038H to 1100H)
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 15 [11.00.45]
- 16 Next, the Chamber would like to hand over to the Lead Co-Lawyers
- 17 for the civil parties. They may proceed.
- 18 MR. PICH ANG:
- 19 Mr. President, Your Honours, last week I indicated to the Chamber
- 20 that Lead Co-Lawyers will hand over to Mr. Hong Kimsuon to put
- 21 questions to the witness on behalf of Ms. Sin Siworn. Counsel
- 22 Hong Kimsuon will proceed with the lines of question, and Ms.
- 23 Lyma Nguyen will follow.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 The Chamber notes this. And, Counsel, you may proceed.

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- 1 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President, Your Honours. Good morning, Mr. Kaing
- 3 Guek Eav, alias Duch. Today, I have a few words of courtesy
- before we proceed. We are representing civil parties, and today, 4
- 5 on behalf of the civil parties, we are going to pose some
- 6 questions to you concerning the accused person.
- 7 [11.02.45]
- In Case File 001, you already testified in your capacity as an 8
- 9 accused, and you already expressed your remorse towards the
- victims and the families of the people who perished at S-21 --10
- the more than 12,000 people. Your apologies are compiled and 11
- disseminated. Your apologies, as you indicated in that -- you 12
- 13 emotionally responsible for the death -- or the crimes committed
- between 1975 and 1979. You indeed show great cooperation with the 14
- 15 Court back then, and on behalf of the civil parties we are very
- 16 grateful, indeed, to your openness and cooperation, and it is
- very important, indeed, that you tell the world -- Cambodian 17
- 18 people, in particular, about what had actually happened during
- 19 the Khmer Rouge regime.
- 20 [11.04.18]
- 21 And we are optimistic that you still continue to cooperate in
- 22 this courtroom setting concerning Case File 001 -- rather,
- 23 002/01, with regard to the communicative administrative
- 24 structures and also the brief background of the CPK.
- 25 On behalf of the civil parties and the victims, we hope you --

- 1 your genuine cooperation will remain in this courtroom.
- 2 QUESTIONING BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 3 Q. I would like now to proceed with some questions. Several
- 4 questions have already been posed by the Prosecution to you, but
- 5 I am interested to put questions concerning the structure
- 6 established at the foreign ministry -- foreign affairs ministry.
- 7 My first question would be: During the Khmer Rouge regime, who
- 8 was actually the most superior person at the Ministry of Foreign
- 9 Affairs?
- 10 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 11 A. The minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is -- or was
- 12 Mr. Ieng Sary, alias Van.
- 13 Q. You indicated that, during the Democratic Kampuchea regime,
- 14 you did not know where the Ministry of Foreign Affairs could have
- 15 been located, but you are convinced that Mr. Ieng Sary, alias
- 16 Van, was the minister of that Ministry.
- 17 [11.06.28]
- 18 My next quest is: Do you know, back then -- or, did you know back
- 19 then how were people recruited as the ministers for that -- for
- 20 those key ministries?
- 21 A. Mr. President, I don't know how or when this took place, but
- 22 after the election -- the assembly election, although there was
- 23 non-election -- but after that so-called election, people were
- 24 recruited for the post.
- 25 Q. Last week, the Prosecution already made request to the Chamber

- 1 that the -- some documents be presented to you. With the
- 2 President's leave, may I ask that the same document be presented
- 3 again?
- 4 [11.08.01]
- 5 Because I have a few more questions, different from the questions
- 6 put by the Prosecution.
- 7 I would like to refer to IS 13.2, document ERN 00019108 --
- 8 document concerning the minutes of the meeting on the 9th of
- 9 October 1975.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 12 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 Q. Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, do you see the document being projected on
- 15 the screen now?
- 16 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 17 A. Thank you. I actually could see this document now on the
- 18 screen clearly.
- 19 Q. I have a question on this. On page number 1, as highlighted in
- 20 red square brackets -- could you read it please?
- 21 A. Could you move your mouse? I'm sorry; I'm not able to use this
- 22 computer.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Court officer is now instructed to assist counsel and the
- 25 witness.

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- 1 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 2 Mr. President, with your leave, may I read this for him -- or to
- 3 him?
- 4 [11.10.27]
- 5 Q. Do you see anything on the screen?
- 6 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 7 Counsel, could you give the original document to me? Or were you
- 8 not allowed to do that?
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Counsel, you are now instructed to hand over to the witness the
- 11 document in hard copy you wish to refer to when putting questions
- 12 to the witness.
- 13 [11.10.47]
- 14 Please do the same as what the Prosecution had already done
- 15 concerning the documents. And we also note that, on the
- 16 documents, sometimes part of the documents could not be seen
- 17 clearly on one screen, and on the other screen it is not clearly
- 18 visible. So I think you should follow what the Prosecution had
- 19 already done pretty well with this.
- 20 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 21 Q. I would like just to read out, to save our time, the portion
- 22 of the text in the highlighted part.
- 23 Witness, please indicate to me if you now see the document on the
- 24 screen, and I would proceed with the reading. Do you see this?
- 25 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:

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- 1 A. Yes, I do.
- 2 Q. If you look at the square bracket in red, can you read it to
- 3 us, please?
- 4 A. I would like to read it as follows:
- 5 "Number 3. Comrade Van. Foreign Affairs work, both Party and the
- 6 State."
- 7 Q. Thank you. I would like to proceed with another question.
- 8 [11.12.34]
- 9 During the Democratic Kampuchea regime, from the 17th of April
- 10 1975 through 1976 of January, you indicated that you attended
- 11 sessions -- meetings -- with the Standing Committee and the
- 12 Central Committee meetings. My question here would be the works
- 13 of the ministries of foreign affairs and the Central Committee's
- 14 work. Could you tell the Court about -- on this?
- 15 A. Personally, I never attended meetings are the central office
- 16 or the Standing Committee meetings. May I therefore ask that
- 17 counsel redirect the question to something that is relevant to my
- 18 work?
- 19 Q. Thank you.
- 20 [11.13.47]
- 21 Are you aware that -- or, aware of the people who lived in
- 22 foreign countries and whose names, later on, were sent to the
- 23 S-21 -- and these people were from the Ministry of Foreign
- 24 Affairs? Could you -- how did you know that?
- 25 A. With regard to people from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

- 1 those who hold -- or, held the highest position were the
- 2 ambassadors, the ambassadors representing Democratic Kampuchea
- 3 regime abroad. Those ambassadors were called to return to the
- 4 country. Huot Sambath is -- or was an ambassador, as an example.
- 5 He was sent to S-21. I don't remember other names.
- 6 To put it simply, other ambassadors to other countries were also
- 7 sent to Cambodia. Meak Touch and another ambassador were called
- 8 to return to the country. Other officers from the Ministry of
- 9 Affairs -- Foreign Affairs, were also sent to S-21. Chau Seng and
- 10 Van Piny were also part of the people relevant to this part who
- 11 was sent to S-21.
- 12 Q. I would like to proceed to the next question, please. The
- 13 Co-Prosecutor showed you the records of interviews you gave
- 14 before the Chamber -- Co-Investigating Judges. And I would like
- 15 to refer to document E3/107, the 24th interview you gave to the
- 16 Court.
- 17 [11.16.42]
- 18 Do you still recall the statement you made before the
- 19 Co-Investigating Judges, the 24th interview regarding letters
- 20 sent by Mr. Ieng Sary to S-21 Security Office or Centre? This
- 21 document is E3/107. It is under ERN 00197970. With the
- 22 President's leave, I may ask that this document be presented to
- 23 the witness.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 You may proceed.

- 1 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 2 Q. Could you please look at the document with highlight?
- 3 [11.18.00]
- 4 The document has been highlighted for your easy reading.
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Counsel, what about the other two languages? Have you got the
- 7 references to French and English versions, and could you also
- 8 provide the ERN numbers of those relevant pages in the foreign
- 9 languages, because parties to the proceeding who do not read
- 10 Khmer may refer or rely on the foreign languages of the document?
- 11 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. President. Document ERN in English is 00198219.
- 13 Khmer ERN was already indicated -- I can repeat, 00197970. This
- 14 document is not available in French -- or, rather, I don't have
- 15 the French reference.
- 16 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 17 Q. Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, could you please look at this portion of
- 18 the statement, and would you wish to comment on this?
- 19 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 20 A. Mr. President, this event is still in my mind.
- 21 [11.19.58]
- 22 However, there was no letters from Ieng Sary to S-21. I remember
- 23 -- I still recollect this event vividly, but not remember any
- 24 letter sent by Ieng Sary to S-21.
- 25 May I ask that counsel redirect the question to the relevant

- 1 portion he wishes to ask me?
- 2 Q. Thank you. This question is relevant to the hierarchy -- or,
- 3 communication hierarchy from the parties. We just would like to
- 4 know about your knowledge regarding Ieng Sary's letters to S-21.
- 5 Before prisoners who were from --
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Counsel, you may proceed, Counsel Karnavas.
- 8 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President. I apologize to my colleague for
- 10 interrupting.
- 11 [11.21.15]
- 12 The question assumes facts which are not in evidence. The
- 13 gentleman testified over six days. Not once did he ever say that
- 14 any letters were being sent from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 15 or Mr. Ieng Sary himself to S-21.
- 16 Now, I didn't object initially, because I was waiting to see
- 17 where he would go with this. Clearly, there's nothing in this
- 18 document that would indicate that. No assumptions can be drawn
- 19 that would lead to that conclusion from reading this document. It
- 20 is highly improper, and it's suggestive.
- 21 Now, he was corrected by the witness that he never received
- 22 anything, yet the gentleman persists in this line of thinking and
- 23 in this line of questioning. So I suggest that he either rephrase
- 24 or move on.
- 25 But what he's doing is highly improper. He is inserting facts

- 1 which are not in evidence, and is claiming them to be so. And
- 2 that's testifying. Thank you.
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Thank you, Counsel.
- 5 And counsel for civil party is now advised to rephrase the
- 6 question to be more precise, and as long as the questions are
- 7 precise then we can save some objections. As indicated by the
- 8 Chamber, counsel is instructed to ensure that the questions are
- 9 well put and precise.
- 10 [11.23.05]
- 11 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to rephrase it.
- 13 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 14 Q. Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, last week you testified that the decision
- 15 to arrest or send someone to S-21 was made or, were made by the
- 16 Central Committee. Is that so?
- 17 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 18 A. The decision to arrest were made by the Central Committee in
- 19 broader sense, but in a more practical sense, it was Brother Pol
- 20 who made the decision and, in some cases, Brother Nuon was the
- 21 one who made such decisions.
- 22 Q. So the offices surrounding the Central Office -- and with Mr.
- 23 President's leave, I would like to present the same document
- 24 presented by the Prosecution to the witness, and I would like to
- 25 refer to IS 6.3 on the first page; ERN in Khmer, 00003136; in

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- 1 English, ERN -- my apologies --
- 2 (Microphone not activated)
- 3 [11.25.21]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Please make sure your mic is activated before you speak, Counsel.
- 6 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 7 Please excuse us. This document is IS 6.3, ERN in Khmer 00003136;
- 8 in English, ERN 0 -- my sincere apologies again. I would like to
- 9 repeat the number in English; ERN number in English is 00182814.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Counsel, could you please indicate to the Chamber whether you
- 12 wish to have the document be projected on the screen or not?
- 13 Counsel, please be more precise so that the Chamber can decide
- 14 what you wish the Chamber to do, otherwise our decision would not
- 15 be relevant.
- 16 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 17 With the President's leave, we would like this document to be put
- 18 up on the screen.
- 19 [11.27.03]
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Court officer is now instructed to bring the hard copy of the
- 22 document to the witness, and AV official is instructed to put up
- 23 the document on the screen.
- 24 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 25 Q. Witness, have you now seen the document on the screen?

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- 1 [11.27.44]
- 2 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 3 A. Yes, I have. And also I have obtained the document in hard
- 4 copy handed over to me.
- 5 Q. My question is relevant to the decisions by the Central
- 6 Committee. It is about the right to smash inside and outside the
- 7 ranks.
- 8 My question is: Have you ever read and understood the content of
- 9 this decision?
- 10 A. In real practice, I personally used to obey the standing --
- 11 the orders from the standing committee of the zones from 1971,
- 12 and this document was implemented after the -- 1976 because there
- 13 are a few other points that indicated in the decision for further
- 14 implementation.
- 15 Q. Thank you--
- 16 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 17 Counsel for the defence, you may proceed.
- 18 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 19 Thank you, Mr. President. I apologize again. The gentleman is
- 20 asked a specific question and then he goes on to give whatever
- 21 evidence he wishes to give. It's non-responsive and it makes it
- 22 very difficult for the rest of us to know whether to object or
- 23 not to object.
- 24 [11.29.46]
- 25 The question was whether he saw it, and then he went on on this

- 1 tangent. If the gentleman cooperates with the attorney, I believe
- 2 we could go step-by-step and this would avoid me having to object
- 3 to the sort of non sequiturs by the witness. Thank you.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 We have two issues here.
- 6 One, the Chamber notes that counsels are reminded to refrain from
- 7 repeating the same questions asked by the Prosecution. The
- 8 Prosecution has already asked the witness whether he has seen,
- 9 has read or has heard of the documents prior to the time the
- 10 witness was called to appear in this Court. We settled these
- 11 issues already.
- 12 The Chamber finds that this kind of question asking for the
- 13 witness' knowledge of the documents should not be asked again.
- 14 Secondly, the witness is reminded to pay attention to the
- 15 questions asked by counsels.
- 16 [11.31.31]
- 17 The question asked now by the civil party lawyers are about
- 18 whether the witness is aware or he know -- don't know about the
- 19 document. So if witness believe that the -- he has already
- 20 answered such a question, he may indicate as such. The Chamber
- 21 hopes the relevant parties and witness pay closer attention to
- 22 the question and answers.
- 23 Again, counsels are reminded of the questions that are not
- 24 allowed by the law, for example, the leading question or the
- 25 speculation question.

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- 1 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 2 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you for your reminder.
- 4 I have already indicated that this document was shown by the
- 5 Prosecution and I was moving towards the next question.
- 6 [11.32.52]
- 7 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 8 Q. Mr. Witness, following from what Mr. President has said, I
- 9 would like to ask you to answer the questions precisely.
- 10 My question is: Khmer people, or what we called "intellectuals"
- 11 who were sent from abroad to the country, I want to know whether
- 12 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs had to be informed of these
- 13 intellectuals or not?
- 14 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 15 A. Thank you, Mr. President. I can only answer this question in
- 16 principle.
- 17 The ambassadors from abroad were under the control -- direct
- 18 control of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Ministry of
- 19 Foreign Affairs was under the control of the Secretary and Deputy
- 20 Secretary of the Party. This is my answer to the question.
- 21 [11.34.13]
- 22 Q. Thank you.
- 23 My next question is: Because you have answered to the Chamber
- 24 that for those who were sent from abroad to S-21, do you still
- 25 remember -- I would like to refer to Document -- with your --

- 1 President's leave, I refer to document D120.
- 2 May I request that this document be displayed on the screen? The
- 3 ERN number is 00242920; the English ERN 00242931.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 The Chamber permits. Court officer is instructed to bring the
- 6 document from counsel to witness and assist with the display of
- 7 the document on the screen.
- 8 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 9 Q. Witness, can you have a look at the portion encircled in red?
- 10 What can you say about this portion? My apology, I understand
- 11 that you were examining the document.
- 12 [11.36.50]
- 13 Mr. President, may I request that the witness read the portion
- 14 encircled in red?
- 15 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 16 A. I indicated that I was far away from Ieng Sary. I saw him only
- 17 twice, as I mentioned earlier. However, I can assert that as a
- 18 principle of practice before arrests at the Ministry of Foreign
- 19 Affairs could be made, the decision from Ieng Sary was necessary.
- 20 There was only one exception that I mentioned earlier, that of
- 21 Chau Seng; arrested under a false name without Ieng Sary's
- 22 knowing.
- 23 I received the list of persons arrested before they arrived at
- 24 S-21. I have received the list of persons arrested before they
- 25 arrived at the prisons. Until August 15, 1977, Son Sen sent the

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- 1 list to me. After that, it was generally Pang who delivered the
- 2 lists, sometimes Lin. Thank you.
- 3 [11.38.59]
- 4 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 With your leave, Mr. President, I would like to provide the
- 7 documents to witness. It is the transcript documents D288/4.65.1.
- 8 This is a transcript from Case 001 of August 19, 2009, at page
- 9 56.
- 10 May I request that this document be displayed on the screen and
- 11 be provided to the witness?
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 The Chamber permits. Court officer is instructed to bring the
- 14 document to witness and the document be displayed on the screen
- 15 as requested by counsel.
- 16 [11.40.03]
- 17 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 18 May I request that the witness be reading the portion
- 19 highlighted?
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 So the document has not yet been displayed on the screen?
- 22 Can counsel indicate the English ERN so that relevant parties can
- 23 have access to the document; at least the English ERN if not the
- 24 French one?
- 25 (Short pause)

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- 1 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 2 My apology, Mr. President. There is a technical problem; the
- 3 document cannot be displayed on the screen. Can I read the
- 4 document in Khmer?
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Can you provide parties with ERN number -- the English ERN number
- 7 so that the parties can search by themselves for the document?
- 8 [11.42.34]
- 9 The Chamber already informed you that when documents be
- 10 discussed, documents of the three languages -- or at least two
- 11 languages of the working languages -- has to be referred to. You
- 12 must be prepared when it comes to examining documents.
- 13 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 15 May I move on to the next question while we are waiting for the
- 16 searching of the document?
- 17 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 18 Q. Mr. Witness, I want to ask you another question because my
- 19 time is running out.
- 20 From your recollections when you were the Secretary of S-21, did
- 21 you know Chau Seng?
- 22 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 23 A. Thank you. The name Chau Seng was still in my memory. I
- 24 remembered a lot about him.
- 25 [11.43.59]

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- 1 Q. Thank you. Can you indicate to the Chamber what kind of person
- 2 Chau Seng was as he was arrested and brought to S-21?
- 3 A. Thank you. Chau Seng was a popular mass. He fought against the
- 4 Lon Nol. He was the one who established the pedagogic institution
- 5 that trains teachers, but later on there was an implication made
- 6 against Chau Seng.
- 7 One time in August 1977, Chau Seng said that the Central
- 8 Committee -- rather, Son Sen told me that Chau Seng was to be
- 9 sent to S-21. This is the issue surrounding the arrest of Chau
- 10 Seng.
- 11 And then Chau Seng was interrogated. The superior made a decision
- 12 later that Chau Seng was to be smashed and that superior was
- 13 Brother Nuon. At the Investigation phase I called him Uncle Nuon.
- 14 He decided that Chau Seng be smashed.
- 15 Q. Thank you.
- 16 [11.46.06]
- 17 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 18 Mr. President, may I provide the ERN numbers that I was looking
- 19 for?
- 20 It is D288/4.655.1. The ERN in English is 00367432 through
- 21 00367530. And the Khmer ERN is 000367632 through 000367708.
- 22 May I request that the witness read the highlighted portion of
- 23 the document and may I request that the document be put onto the
- 24 screen?
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

- 1 The assistant is now instructed to put the document onto the
- 2 screen.
- 3 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 4 With your leave, Mr. President, may I continue with another
- 5 question instead?
- 6 [11.48.19]
- 7 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 8 Q. Mr. Witness, in your capacity as the Secretary of S-21, do you
- 9 remember about a prisoner named Ros Sarin?
- 10 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 11 A. Thank you, Mr. President. I do not recall Ros Sarin, I never
- 12 knew this person before.
- 13 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 14 With your leave, Mr. President, may I provide the document to the
- 15 witness, document ERN 0086716, D108/26.282? And the ERN -- my
- 16 apology, Mr. President. May I move on to the other question?
- 17 [11.50.08]
- 18 BY MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 19 Q. My next question, Mr. Witness, concerns another Khmer person
- 20 named Ouk Ket. Do you recall him in your capacity as the
- 21 supervisor of S-21?
- 22 MR. KAIN GUEK EAV:
- 23 A. Thank you. Mr. President, I remember Ouk Ket. I also remember
- 24 his wife and his daughter. They were civil parties in Case 001.
- 25 Q. Can you tell the Chamber about this because Case 001 is a

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- 1 different case in our case here?
- 2 [11.51.13]
- 3 Can you tell the Court that Ouk Ket, as well as Ros Sarin and
- 4 Chau Seng, were indeed ordinary prisoners or they were some other
- 5 kind of prisoners?
- 6 A. I never knew Ouk Ket before, but I remember him very well
- 7 because during Case 001 Trial, civil parties there -- there were
- 8 civil parties who were the wife and daughter of Ouk Ket.
- 9 I indicated back then that Ouk Ket came to S-21 prior to the time
- 10 that I was the Secretary of S-21, so I concluded that Ros Sarin
- 11 and Ouk Ket were the diplomats of the GRUNK and Chau Seng was a
- 12 progressive person, and he may have been in France. They were of
- 13 different types of people. Chau Seng was in a position to
- 14 establish training schools.
- 15 Q. Thank you. Do you remember where Chau Seng and Ouk Ket were
- 16 working before they were brought to S-21?
- 17 A. Mr. President, may I indicate that I came to knew about -- I
- 18 came to know about Ouk Ket during Case 001 Trial. His documents
- 19 were sent out to Ministry of Foreign Affairs. And as for Chau
- 20 Seng I knew about him from the beginning. My superior told me
- 21 about him.
- 22 Q. When you say they moved to Ministry of Foreign Affairs, does
- 23 that mean that they worked at the ministry?
- 24 A. Yes, it is correct.
- 25 [11.54.26]

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- 1 And that applies to Chau Seng. And as for Ouk Ket and Ros Sarin,
- 2 I think that they might not be working at the Ministry of Foreign
- 3 Affairs.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 My next question is -- it is only a reminding question. All
- 6 diplomats, intellectuals, and students who went from abroad to
- 7 Democratic Kampuchea, were all their names first submitted to the
- 8 Ministry of Foreign Affairs before they were sent to your
- 9 superior and to you?
- 10 A. Mr. President, in principle, it was like that.
- 11 Q. My question is: You said before the Court last week concerning
- 12 the arrest in the East Zone, you said that if the chief of the
- 13 unit rejected or requested that the people were to be maintained,
- 14 they would not be arrested; is that correct?
- 15 [11.56.30]
- 16 A. Yes, it was -- it is correct.
- 17 Q. Concerning the two persons I asked you about a while ago, Chau
- 18 Seng and Ouk Ket, from your understanding, before Chau Seng was
- 19 sent to S-21, before Ouk Ket was sent to S-21, there had to be
- 20 agreement from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; this is correct?
- 21 A. In principle, I can say yes. And that particularly applies to
- 22 Ouk Ket.
- 23 And as for Chau Seng, I think, at the time, Ieng Sary was not at
- 24 the Ministry, so the Standing Committee decided that Chau Seng
- 25 was sent to my superior and my superior sent Chau Seng to me. So,

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- 1 for this practical instance, the decision was made without the
- 2 Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 3 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 4 Mr. President, I am mindful of the time. Maybe we now take the
- 5 adjournment.
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 It is now appropriate for us to adjourn for lunch break. The
- 9 Chamber will adjourn and will resume at 1.30, this afternoon.
- 10 Security guards are instructed to escort the witness back to the
- 11 waiting room and return him to the courtroom by 1.30.
- 12 [11.58.25]
- 13 Yes, defence counsel for Nuon Chea, you may proceed.
- 14 MR. PESTMAN:
- 15 Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. My client would like to remain
- 16 downstairs after the break to follow the proceedings from the
- 17 holding cell.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Having heard the request of Nuon Chea made through his counsel,
- 20 that request that he be following the proceedings from the
- 21 holding cell downstairs during the afternoon session, by waiving
- 22 his right to be present in the courtroom, the Chamber grants the
- 23 request of Mr. Nuon Chea that he will be following the
- 24 proceedings from the holding cell downstairs for the duration of
- 25 the afternoon session.

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- 1 The Chamber directs that the defence counsel for Nuon Chea submit
- 2 the written waiver with the thumbprint or signature of the
- 3 accused person.
- 4 AV Unit is instructed to live the proceedings to the holding cell
- 5 for this afternoon session. Detention facility quards are
- 6 instructed to bring the accused to the holding cell, downstairs,
- 7 and return Mr. Khieu Samphan to the courtroom by 1.30, this
- 8 afternoon.
- 9 The Court is now adjourned.
- 10 (Court recesses from 1200H to 1332H)
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 13 Next, the Chamber hands over to civil party lawyer who has been
- 14 delegated to put questions to this witness.
- 15 MR. HONG KIMSUON:
- 16 Mr. President, I do not have any further questions for this
- 17 witness, but my colleague, Ms. Lyma Nguyen will continue
- 18 questioning this witness.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Yes, the floor is now yours, Counsel.
- 21 MS. NGUYEN:
- 22 Good afternoon, Your Honours. Good afternoon, all parties to the
- 23 proceedings. Good afternoon, Witness and members of the gallery
- 24 and civil parties sitting inside the Court.
- 25 [13.34.35]

- 1 Your Honours, before I start, I think it might be helpful to
- 2 clarify exactly how much time the civil parties have, and what
- 3 that time goes into. As I understand it, there are six court
- 4 hours per day. We've already donated one hour to the Prosecution,
- 5 leaving us five hours remaining. One hour was used earlier by my
- 6 national co-counsel, with four hours remaining. We have two and a
- 7 half hours this afternoon, and the way that I understand it, we
- 8 then have one and a half hours going into tomorrow, and ending at
- 9 around the first break. If I could have some clarification over
- 10 this, then that might assist us to formulate the scope and extent
- 11 of our questions for today.
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Counsel Karnavas, you may proceed.
- 14 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 15 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, everyone.
- 16 [13.35.35]
- 17 Of course, we leave it to the wise discretion of the Court.
- 18 However, it appears that, first, they asked for a day. Now
- 19 they're going by hours. They have to pick and choose. I mean,
- 20 nice trick, but that's not how it works. They donated one hour to
- 21 the Prosecution, we started half hour late today, so they may
- 22 have a half hour, as far as I'm concerned, tomorrow morning to
- 23 make up for the half hour that we lost this morning. But to go
- 24 through the mental gymnastics of the arithmetic that we just did
- 25 is a bit of sleight of hand.

- 1 They asked for one day, they gave part of it away, they have
- 2 until the remaining of the day, and if the Court desires, they
- 3 can give them the half hour to make up for starting late this
- 4 morning. Anything more than that, I think, is a bit too much.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 [13.36.25]
- 7 MS. NGUYEN:
- 8 Your Honours, it was always our understanding that one day meant
- 9 one full day, and that one full day meant six hours, or
- 10 thereabouts. The calculations were done for the assistance of the
- 11 Court. Your Honours don't need to answer it right now, but
- 12 perhaps, towards the end of today, if we can get some
- 13 clarification on that -- and, yes, in light of --
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 The Court will not answer to this question. You have the entire
- 16 day for today. Tomorrow, the Chamber will ask a number of
- 17 questions to this witness before it hands over to the defence
- 18 counsel.
- 19 OUESTIONING BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 20 Thank you for the clarification, Your Honour.
- 21 [13.37.31]
- 22 Q. Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, before I start my questioning, perhaps I
- 23 could request for you to be as succinct as possible in your
- 24 answers, unless I request for a more detailed answer by asking
- 25 you to explain something or asking you to describe something. Is

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- 1 that something that you can do?
- 2 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 3 A. Mr. President, I will oblige.
- 4 Q. Thank you, Witness.
- 5 Witness, you said in evidence, yesterday, that S-21 belonged to
- 6 the regiment for the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea. Was there a
- 7 division of the Revolutionary Army dealing with the Air Force?
- 8 A. Thank you. Mr. President, the 502 Division was the Air Force.
- 9 Q. (Microphone not activated)
- 10 [13.38.47]
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Please activate your mic.
- 13 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 14 Q. Witness, the question was: Who was the chief of Division 502?
- 15 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 16 A. Mr. President, it was Sou Met. He was the chief of Division
- 17 502.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Yes, Mr. Karnavas?
- 20 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 21 Thank you, Mr. President. Earlier, we just heard that additional
- 22 time is being requested. Now it appears that questions are being
- 23 asked which seem to be irrelevant -- perhaps more relevant for
- 24 Case 003 and 004 -- or, 003, and this may be the ploy to suggest
- 25 that there are civil parties out there for 003.

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- 1 [13.39.43]
- 2 I would respectfully request that the questions relate strictly
- 3 to 002/01. Thank you.
- 4 MS. NGUYEN:
- 5 Your Honours, the questions are relevant to Case 002/1; they're
- 6 related to the communications structure.
- 7 The evidence has -- the witness has already given evidence about
- 8 the structure of the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea, and these
- 9 questions relate not only to the vertical communications
- 10 structures and administrative structures of the regime, but also
- 11 to the horizontal structures. And, in my submission, they are -
- 12 they are relevant to this trial.
- 13 [13.40.35]
- 14 Now, if I may continue?
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Counsel is advised to be precise when it comes to questioning to
- 17 the witness concerning naming individuals. Some individuals may
- 18 be the subject to be summoned by the Court. This may be against
- 19 the protective measure principle. The Chamber would like just to
- 20 remind the counsel to be mindful of this provision.
- 21 The Chamber will not remind the witness to address other witness
- 22 by pseudonyms, because they are not aware of the pseudonyms of
- 23 other witnesses. Only parties are reminded of using pseudonyms to
- 24 address potential witnesses in order to be in line with the
- 25 principle of protective measures.

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- 1 MS. NGUYEN:
- 2 Your Honours, as I understand it, these persons have -- evidence
- 3 have been given, in relation to these persons and their role in
- 4 the structure, in Case 001 already, and there is plenty of
- 5 evidence on the Case 001 case file in relation to the roles of
- 6 these people.
- 7 [13.42.18]
- 8 Now, I'm trying to establish that there were certain
- 9 communication channels that are within the realm of knowledge of
- 10 Mr. Kaing Guek Eav, and I'm not aware that anyone who has been
- 11 mentioned in these questions so far has been indeed called as a
- 12 witness in these proceedings.
- 13 (Judges deliberate)
- 14 [13.43.31]
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Civil party lawyer can continue. The objection made by Defence
- 17 Counsel Karnavas does not stand.
- 18 However, the Chamber would like to remind parties that the
- 19 discussion at this stage is about the facts concerning the three
- 20 accused persons. Other irrelevant issues should not be the
- 21 subject of discussion at this stage. So your question should be
- 22 very related to the facts.
- 23 MS. NGUYEN:
- 24 Your Honours, I will do the best that I can.
- 25 Perhaps I could show the witness a document, with the leave of

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- 1 the Court. This is document D288/5.210, with English ERN
- 2 00178065. The Khmer ERN is 00052994.
- 3 May I have the court greffier forward this document to the
- 4 witness?
- 5 [13.45.37]
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Court officer is instructed to bring the document from counsel to
- 8 witness.
- 9 MS. NGUYEN:
- 10 Could I also have our case manager show this document onto the
- 11 screen?
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 The Chamber permits that. The assistant is instructed to put up
- 14 the document on the screen.
- 15 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 16 Q. Witness, referring to either the document on the screen or the
- 17 hard copy document in your hand, could you please state whether
- 18 you have seen this document before?
- 19 [13.46.36]
- 20 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 21 A. Thank you, Mr. President. I have seen this document; I saw it
- 22 during the Case 001 Trial.
- 23 Q. Could you please identify for the Court the particulars of the
- 24 document, including who it was addressed to, who it was from, and
- 25 the date of that document, please?

- 1 A. Mr. President, the date of this document is the 1st April
- 2 1977. Son Sen asked Sou Met to write this document to me. He gave
- 3 this document to me.
- 4 I talked about this during Case 001 Trial.
- 5 Q. And could you summarize for the Court what the document is
- 6 about?
- 7 A. Mr. President, I would like to read the first part -- the
- 8 second part -- the third part, rather, part 1, paragraphs 3 and
- 9 4:
- 10 "After obtaining the confession of Saom of M-62, we have
- 11 transferred the followings to S-21:
- 12 "1. Phorn, whose wife named Phal (the network of Saom), was sent
- 13 on the 30th of March 1977.
- 14 "2. Sie, whose wife named Hoeung, is a traitor and has already
- 15 been arrested. Also, he is Saom's network of M-62, sent on the
- 16 31st of March 1977.
- 17 "3. Muk, a member of Battalion 512 (based on the confessions of
- 18 Sarum and Saom -- based on the confessions of Sarum and Saom of
- 19 M-62), was sent during the night of the 31st of March 1977.
- 20 "4. Phal, a member of Battalion 514 (based on the confessions of
- 21 Sarum and Saom of M-62), was sent in the morning of the 1st of
- 22 April 1977."
- 23 [13.50.13]
- 24 This document talks about the people sent to S-21 on the basis of
- 25 Angkar's decision.

- 1 And as for number 2, it reads that: "I wish to request Angkar's
- 2 advice on the remainder in order to take further action."
- 3 It means that it needs to seek advice from Angkar for those names
- 4 mentioned in the confessions. This is my reading, Your Honour.
- 5 Q. Thank you, Witness.
- 6 You mentioned in evidence, earlier, that the term "Angkar" was
- 7 used by individuals to sometimes refer to different things. You
- 8 gave the example that Nat used the term "Angkar" to refer to
- 9 himself, whereas you would use the term "Angkar" to refer to Pol
- 10 Pot or anyone who was instructed by Pol Pot.
- 11 [13.51.23]
- 12 Could you please clarify what "Angkar" refers to in this letter?
- 13 A. Thank you, Mr. President. The word "Angkar" mentioned in
- 14 Comrade Met's letter referred to Pol Pot.
- 15 Q. Witness, you said earlier that Son Sen had directed the author
- of this letter to send the letter to you. Does this mean that
- 17 both you and the letter's author reported to the same person?
- 18 A. Mr. President, both of us reported to the supreme -- superior
- 19 through Son Sen.
- 20 Q. Witness, could I could I just get you to clarify also what
- 21 "to take further action", in paragraph 2 of the letter, means?
- 22 A. Mr. President, the names on the basis of the confessions of
- 23 Saom and Sarum that Comrade Met sent to S-21 include others who
- 24 he sought advice from Angkar for further action. The further
- 25 action meant whether those names -- those people were to be sent

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- 1 to S-21 or not, and it was up to Angkar to decide on this.
- 2 [13.53.53]
- 3 MS. NGUYEN:
- 4 If I could take leave of the Court to present another document to
- 5 the witness?
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Can you provide the document number?
- 8 MS. NGUYEN:
- 9 Yes, Your Honours. The document number is D288/5.211. The ERN in
- 10 English is 00178066, and the ERN in Khmer is 00002416.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Court officer is instructed to bring the document from counsel
- 13 and show it to witness for examination.
- 14 MS. NGUYEN:
- 15 I would also ask, at this stage, for the case manager to bring it
- 16 up on the screen.
- 17 [13.55.32]
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 The Chamber permits.
- 20 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 21 Thank you, Your Honour.
- 22 Q. Witness, could you please state whether you've seen this
- 23 document before and whether you recognize it?
- 24 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 25 A. Thank you. Mr. President, I saw this document during Case File

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- 1 001 Trial.
- 2 Q. Could you identify the document for the Court, starting again
- 3 with who it was addressed to, who it was sent from, and the date
- 4 of the document?
- 5 [13.56.35]
- 6 A. Mr. President, this letter was Comrade Met's. He sent it to me
- 7 following the instruction of the superior. It was actually sent
- 8 from my superior; it was not sent directly from Comrade Met. The
- 9 date of this document is 30th May 1977.
- 10 Q. When you say that it was sent directly from your superior, do
- 11 you mean to say that it was sent from the office of your superior
- 12 directly to your office?
- 13 A. Thank you. Mr. President, such these documents were sent
- 14 either from the messengers or some other kind of people, but I'm
- 15 sure that these documents reached me.
- 16 Q. Witness, if you could clarify for the Court, again, the last
- 17 paragraph, which says: "If Angkar allows, I would like to have
- 18 that confession in order to search for more enemies".
- 19 [13.58.14]
- 20 What does "Angkar" refer to in that paragraph?
- 21 A. Thank you. Mr. President, the word "Angkar" in paragraph 4
- 22 referred to the same person as in the previous document, through
- 23 Son Sen.
- 24 Q. Witness, if the document was sent through -- directly from Son
- 25 Sen, why is it that Son Sen did not sign the document?

- 1 A. Thank you. Mr. President, the writings of Comrade Met was
- 2 different from others, and we have seen that we had the signature
- 3 and the names of the -- of Comrade Met in this letter.
- 4 Q. Do you mean, Witness, that Met's writing is different from Son
- 5 Sen's writing?
- 6 A. Thank you. Mr. President, Comrade Comrade Met's handwriting
- 7 is different from that of Son Sen.
- 8 Q. Witness, I have another document to show you, if the Court
- 9 grants leave. This is document ERN, in English, 00224319;
- 10 document D108/31.40; and in Khmer, it's ERN 00002078.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 You may proceed.
- 13 [14.00.49]
- 14 Court officer is now instructed to hand over the document to the
- 15 witness.
- 16 And AV officer is now instructed to ensure that the document is
- 17 put up on the screen.
- 18 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 19 Q. Witness, have you seen this document before?
- 20 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 21 A. (No interpretation)
- 22 $\,$ Q. Could you -- could you please identify the document for the
- 23 Court, starting with who it's addressed to, who it's from, and
- 24 the date?
- 25 A. This document was another letter by Comrade Met--

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 Witness, could you please hold on?
- 3 [14.01.51]
- 4 Counsel, you are on your feet. You may proceed.
- 5 MR. PESTMAN:
- 6 Sorry to interrupt, but we haven't got the document on the
- 7 screen. It helps to see the document. Thank you.
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Court assistant, could you please advise the Court why the
- 10 document -- Oh, it is now back up on the screen.
- 11 Counsel, you may proceed with the question, but please be
- 12 reminded that the document be up on the screen. Only when it is
- 13 projected on the screen and that witness has received the hard
- 14 copy, then you may proceed with the questions. We wish to do this
- 15 because it is to be precise, and that parties also can save their
- 16 objections concerning documents being projected before a question
- 17 is put, because we have already seem to have established this
- 18 kind of pattern of work very well already.
- 19 [14.03.12]
- 20 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 21 Yes, Your Honour. Thank you for the reminder.
- 22 Q. Witness, could you summarize what the document is about? And I
- 23 don't -- I'm not expecting you to read the document. Could you
- 24 say whether it concerns confessions?
- 25 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:

- 1 A. This document concerns the request by the upper echelon to
- 2 obtain confession from Sem immediately, so that Angkar could
- 3 follow up his confession on time, or as soon as possible. The
- 4 document is dated 10th of August 1977.
- 5 Q. And can you clarify, as you have before, what the last
- 6 sentence refers to, the sentence that says: "Please reply through
- 7 Angkar as soon as possible."
- 8 A. I think the last wordings could have been understood as "as
- 9 soon as possible", although it's hard to read from this text.
- 10 [14.05.39]
- 11 However, I do not have any comment on the term "Angkar" -- the
- 12 different comment other than the one that I already testified.
- 13 Q. And just to be clear, you're referring to "Angkar" as Pol Pot
- 14 or as Son Sen?
- 15 A. Son Sen never regarded himself as Angkar, although some of his
- 16 subordinates would call him Angkar. But I, personally, regarded
- 17 Angkar as a person who was superior than that; sometimes Nuon
- 18 Chea, sometimes Pol Pot. So, when Son Sen brought the letter to
- 19 me, normally he would say that the letter was sent through me by
- 20 Angkar. That's what he indicated.
- 21 Q. Now, Witness, I noticed that the date on this letter is the
- 22 10th of August 1977. You gave evidence earlier that, on the 15th
- 23 of August 1977, Son Sen was sent to Neak Loeang, and Nuon Chea
- 24 took over Son Sen's position. Do you recall that?
- 25 [14.07.14]

- 1 A. I do not know whether counsel made this mistake or through
- 2 translation lost, but Son Sen left me for Neak Loeang in 1978 --
- 3 rather, 1977, not 1978. That's when Son Sen left for Neak Loeang.
- 4 Q. Yes, and if I recall correctly, you gave evidence earlier
- 5 that, when Son Sen left, he was taken over by Nuon Chea -- or his
- 6 position was taken over by Nuon Chea, and Nuon Chea became your
- 7 direct supervisor; is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes, it is.
- 9 Q. So, given the date on this letter, it appears as though the
- 10 letter was only written five days before Son Sen was sent to Neak
- 11 Loeang. Was there a handover from Son Sen to Nuon Chea, in terms
- 12 of the tasks and responsibilities of his position?
- 13 A. I may not wish to respond to this question, because I want to
- 14 avoid any speculation. I'm afraid that my response would be
- 15 falling into the line of speculation regarding this particular
- 16 question.
- 17 [14.09.22]
- 18 Q. Thank you, Witness. Did you continue to receive similar
- 19 letters from Sou Met after he left to Neak Loeang in August 1977?
- 20 A. I'm afraid I don't recollect the details.
- 21 Q. Witness, could you please clarify the system of messengers
- 22 that was used to send these letters to you?
- 23 A. During that regime, Son Sen used two messengers to come to
- S-21. Comrade Phan was the most frequent person who came to S-21
- 25 as a messenger. Comrade Phan would come by car when another

- 1 comrade, Comrade Noeun, would come by motorcycle.
- 2 After the 15th of August 1977, Brother Nuon used two messengers:
- 3 Comrade Toeung and Comrade Sot, alias Chiv.
- 4 [14.11.22]
- 5 Later on, these two people -- never seen again, and Comrade Lin
- 6 took over the messenger position, and Comrade Ky, the chairman of
- 7 K-7, who would come to S-21 with letters brought directly from
- 8 Pol Pot.
- 9 So this is how letters were sent to S-21. It is that S-21 had no
- 10 authority to send anyone from S-21 to obtain the letters from
- 11 Angkar. It was Angkar who would send messengers to bring letters
- 12 to us.
- 13 Q. Did the messengers use any system of coding when they were
- 14 delivering the letters?
- 15 A. They did not use any specific coding. Brother Khieu used
- 16 Comrades Phan and Noeun since I had been working with Nat. And
- 17 when he left, Comrade -- rather, Bong Nuon introduced me to Pang.
- 18 [14.13.01]
- 19 And also another messenger was introduced. With just first
- 20 introduction, it was enough for us to get to know one another.
- 21 And I had known Pang and Toeung, who worked for Angkar, for a
- 22 long time. So, again, just the first introduction by our
- 23 superior, then we could establish this communication without any
- 24 problem.
- 25 Q. Thank you, Witness.

- 1 I'd like to now move on to another topic, and, as I had alluded
- 2 to the Court the other day, I will be asking about the capture of
- 3 foreign nationals off the coast of Cambodia.
- 4 [14.14.00]
- 5 If the witness could be shown the Democratic Kampuchea
- 6 Constitution, which was previously shown to him by the
- 7 Prosecution. I have another copy here for the witness.
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Court officer is now instructed to hand over the document from
- 10 counsel to the witness.
- 11 MS. NGUYEN:
- 12 Does Your Honour require me to read the ERNs in English and
- 13 Khmer, or am I able to forgo that, since the document had already
- 14 been presented to the witness?
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Yes indeed, ERN numbers shall be read out so that other parties
- 17 are informed, because the French, English, and Khmer ERNs are
- 18 bearing different numbers.
- 19 MS. NGUYEN:
- 20 Yes, Your Honour. The English ERN of this document is 00184838.
- 21 It is document number D1.3.22.2. The Khmer ERN starts 0089841 and
- 22 the French ERN starts 0012644. Could I please have this document
- 23 shown on the screen?
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 You may proceed.

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- 1 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 2 Q. Witness, I draw your attention to Chapter 16 of the DK
- 3 Constitution; in particular, the second paragraph of Article 21.
- 4 Can you see that?
- 5 [14.16.18]
- 6 A. Yes, I can see this.
- 7 Q. This part of the constitution reads:
- 8 "Democratic Kampuchea adheres to a policy of independence, peace,
- 9 neutrality, and non-alignment. It will permit absolutely no
- 10 foreign country to maintain military bases on its territory, and
- 11 it resolutely opposed to all forms of outside interference in its
- 12 internal affairs and to all forms of subversion and aggression
- 13 against Democratic Kampuchea from outside, whether military,
- 14 political, cultural, social, diplomatic, or humanitarian."
- 15 [14.17.05]
- 16 Have you studied or taught this part of the Constitution?
- 17 A. According to my reading and my experience, the Democratic
- 18 Kampuchea had implemented this portion of the constitution
- 19 absolutely and firmly.
- 20 Q. Which regiment or unit of the Revolutionary Army of the
- 21 Kampuchea had responsibility over protecting the coastal waters
- 22 of the Democratic Kampuchea?
- 23 A. The navy forces for Democratic Kampuchea was from Division
- 24 106.
- 25 Q. And did this division have a mandate to defend the Democratic

- 1 Kampuchea's waters aggressively?
- 2 A. Rather, the -- this division, Division 164, was meant to
- 3 protect waters, borders, and any matters relevant to maritime
- 4 within the territory of Cambodia firmly and absolutely.
- 5 Q. Who was the chief of Division 164, and what was his role in
- 6 relation to the Central Committee?
- 7 A. The commander of this division was Meas Muth.
- 8 [14.20.23]
- 9 He just became member of the Standing Committee recently.
- 10 Q. Do you recall having said, in evidence on the 29th of March,
- 11 that the Minister of Foreign Affairs was the implementer of
- 12 foreign policy of the Democratic Kampuchea?
- 13 A. The minister of foreign affairs was fully in charge of foreign
- 14 affairs, and I did testify like that.
- 15 Q. You also said in evidence that a large number of Thai
- 16 fishermen were sent to S-21 before the 30th of March 1976. Was
- 17 the arrest or capture of foreign nationals off the coast of
- 18 Cambodia a matter of foreign affairs?
- 19 A. The list of the fishermen who were still there at S-21 -- and
- 20 I would like to explain as follows.
- 21 [14.21.58]
- 22 These people were arrested by people at Division 164 under the
- 23 order from the general staff under order from Son Sen, not from
- 24 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 25 Q. Did the resolute opposition of all forms of outside

- 1 interference in the internal affairs of the Democratic Kampuchea,
- 2 which features in the constitution under Chapter 16, form a basis
- 3 as to the treatment of foreign nationals by the Democratic
- 4 Kampuchea?
- 5 A. Mr. President, counsel seems to have only read out a statement
- 6 without putting question.
- 7 Q. Witness, the question was: Did the policy under Chapter 16 of
- 8 the constitution on form a basis -- a foundation, for the
- 9 treatment of foreign nationals by the state?
- 10 A. I think, perhaps, the language used here were not the same.
- 11 The -- Division 164 was embedded with the jurisdiction to protect
- 12 waters -- maritime border -- exclusively.
- 13 Q. Do you recall, in Case 001 proceedings that evidence was led
- 14 about the detention of foreign nationals at S-21?
- 15 A. There were numbers of foreign nationals who were detained at
- 16 S-21, and later on executed.
- 17 [14.25.09]
- 18 Q. I'd like you to turn your mind to the Western foreign
- 19 nationals, the Caucasians who were captured off the coast of
- 20 Cambodia and taken to S-21. Do you accept that evidence was given
- 21 in Case 001 that these Westerners included two Australians, one
- 22 Briton, one New Zealander, and three Americans?
- 23 A. I think this issue has been well understood by the world.
- 24 These -- four Westerners were sent to S-21 -- four only.
- 25 [14.25.57]

- 1 They were detained and executed and orders were rendered from the
- 2 superior to burn them with car tires into ashes.
- 3 Q. I do have some questions for you about that issue, but before
- 4 we get to that, I'd like to ask; were the foreigners -- were the
- 5 foreign nationals considered to be important prisoners or special
- 6 prisoners when they arrived at S-21?
- 7 A. With regard to the Thai fishermen, there was no important
- 8 consideration regarding them, because they were executed
- 9 summarily. But, with regard to the four Westerners, there were --
- 10 there was some level of attention, and I had to choose some
- 11 interrogators who had experience interrogating key people to
- 12 conduct interrogation on these four Westerners.
- 13 Q. Why was it that these four Westerners had some sort of special
- 14 status?
- 15 A. These people entered Cambodia illegally, without permission
- 16 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Democratic Kampuchea
- 17 treated these people as spies. These wide-eyed Westerners were
- 18 believed to have experience in spying others -- or in espionage.
- 19 Q. Are you aware whether the Minister for Foreign Affairs
- 20 participated in any decisions regarding the capture, arrest, or
- 21 transfer of these foreign nationals to S-21?
- 22 A. I think, as a work principle permits, I don't see why the
- 23 Minister of Foreign Affairs had to do anything with this.
- 24 [14.29.20]
- 25 It was at the hand of Pol Pot and Nuon Chea who would be the ones

- 1 who shall handle this.
- 2 Q. Could you confirm what special procedures took place with the
- 3 special prisoners?
- 4 A. Mr. President, at S-21, these people were detained in special
- 5 rooms. The interrogators themselves were chosen by me. They were
- 6 experienced interrogators. I was very specific. And after the
- 7 interrogations there would be a decision to smash. The smash was
- 8 to be conducted in a formal burning to ash.
- 9 Q. In evidence, you said earlier that you conferred with Nuon
- 10 Chea on a regular basis about the identification of special
- 11 prisoners.
- 12 [14.30.49]
- 13 Did you confer with Nuon Chea in this case with the four foreign
- 14 nationals who you referred to earlier?
- 15 A. Thank you. Mr. President, to my recollection, these four
- 16 prisoners were sent from the superior. They were sent during the
- 17 times that Son Sen was in charge. And the second time that they
- 18 were sent, they were sent during the time that Nuon Chea was in
- 19 charge of the place, so I was following the order from Nuon Chea,
- 20 and I implemented the order.
- 21 Q. You said earlier, Witness, that Nuon Chea gave you an order to
- 22 burn the foreign Westerner's in tires. When did Nuon Chea give
- 23 you this order, if you could recall the date?
- 24 A. Thank you. Mr. President, I do not recall the date.
- Q. Why was it necessary to burn the foreign Westerners in tires?

- 1 A. Mr. President, we needed to burn them in tires because they -
- 2 we wanted them to be burned completely, to burn their bones into
- 3 ashes.
- 4 [14.33.08]
- 5 Q. And why was it necessary to burn them to ashes?
- 6 A. The reason was that no one would be able to trace -- to trace
- 7 them so no bones were left behind.
- 8 Q. Had these foreign national prisoners been executed before they
- 9 were burned in the tires?
- 10 A. Mr. President, these prisoners were not burned alive. No one
- 11 was burned alive; they were first killed before they were burned.
- 12 Q. After they were burnt to ashes, did you have to report that to
- 13 your superior?
- 14 A. I had to report to the -- to my superiors that it was
- 15 implemented -- the order was implemented.
- 16 Q. And how did you know when that order had been implemented?
- 17 A. I reported to my superiors that the regulation or the order
- 18 was already implemented, and I received the report from Comrade
- 19 Hor whom I ordered to do the burning.
- 20 Q. Did you have to send any evidence to your superiors to show
- 21 that that had taken place? Where any photos taken of the corpses?
- 22 [14.35.52]
- 23 A. These four individuals were not taken -- any photos.
- 24 Q. I just wanted a point of clarification. You said that there
- 25 were two lots of foreign nationals who came in at different

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- 1 times; that the first time -- the first lot who came in was
- 2 during a period where you were under the supervision of Son Sen
- 3 and the second lot who came in was during a period when you were
- 4 under the supervision of Nuon Chea; is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, it is correct.
- 6 Q. So are you saying, then, that the first lot came in before the
- 7 17th of August 1977 and the second lot came in after the 17th of
- 8 August 1977?
- 9 A. Mr. President, it is correct, but it was not before 17 August
- 10 1977, it was after it was before 15 August 1977 and after the
- 11 15 of August 1977.
- 12 [14.37.23]
- 13 Q. Yes, Witness, thank you for that clarification.
- 14 I'd like to show the witness a document. This document has
- 15 previously been shown to the witness by the Prosecution. It's a
- 16 copy of the "Revolutionary Flag". Your Honours, may I please have
- 17 the Court staff bring this document to the witness?
- 18 Your Honours, just to clarify the different versions of the
- 19 document, the Khmer version ERN starts 00064551 and goes to
- 20 00064585, the English version starts 00185322 and goes to
- 21 00185348, and the French version starts 00524447 and goes to
- 22 00524475.
- 23 [14.38.56]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Can you also provide the document number; is it a D or an E

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- 1 document?
- 2 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 3 Yes, Your Honour, the document's number is IS 11.14.
- 4 Q. Witness, do you actually already have this document before
- 5 you?
- 6 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 7 A. Mr. President, it is difficult to find this. May I be provided
- 8 with a new document?
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Court officer is instructed to take the document from Counsel and
- 11 bring it to witness and the assistant may put the document onto
- 12 the screen.
- 13 [14.40.02]
- 14 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 15 Q. Witness, do you recall being shown this very document by the
- 16 prosecutor on Tuesday the 27th of March?
- 17 Just to identify it, I'll say that it's the "Revolutionary Flag"
- 18 special number, May to June 1978.
- 19 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 20 A. Thank you, Mr. President. After having seen this document, I'm
- 21 sure I have received this document. I must have received this
- 22 document from the prosecutors; the issue was of the May and June
- 23 1978.
- 24 Q. Yes and, in evidence, you confirmed that you had taught the
- 25 contents of this document to your staff at S-21; do you recall

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- 1 that?
- 2 A. Mr. President, the "Revolutionary Flag" magazines are the
- 3 sources for educating cadres in terms of intellectuals and
- 4 spiritual. Sometimes, I quote -- I quoted from this page,
- 5 sometime, I quoted from the other page. So I selected certain
- 6 contents of the "Revolutionary Flag" magazines to teach; I'm not
- 7 sure of which portion that counsel is referring to.
- 8 Q. Witness, I draw your attention to page 26 of the Khmer version
- 9 of the "Revolutionary Flag"; this is ERN 00185332-- Oh, sorry,
- 10 excuse me, that was the English ERN. The Khmer ERN is 00064566.
- 11 [14.42.35]
- 12 This is underneath the heading that says: "What are the
- 13 Contradictions Between our Revolution and the Counter Revolution?
- 14 What are the Forces Opposing Our Revolution?" That's the heading.
- 15 Do you see that?
- 16 A. Mr. President, yes, I see these points.
- 17 Q. The document is also being shown on the screen and certain
- 18 portions of the document have been boxed in a red colour. I'll
- 19 take you through those portions.
- 20 The first box is a title. The second box says: "The problem is a
- 21 political one."
- 22 The third box says: "The contradiction is between socialism and
- 23 the capitalists. This is basically the correct problematic and it
- 24 is basically correct that there must be measures attacking
- 25 capitalism."

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- 1 [14.43.44]
- 2 The fourth box should say: "Immediately after liberation, the
- 3 attacks against us began. Who was attacking us? It was the CIA,
- 4 the Yuon, and the KGB."
- 5 Going down the document, the sixth box should say: "The heads we
- 6 must attack are CIA, Yuon, and KGB. Since 1975, the forces that
- 7 have attacked us have all nothing other than CIA and Yuon."
- 8 Further down that same paragraph, it talks about the CIA: "The
- 9 only difference among them was that some of these CIA's were more
- 10 on the American side whilst others were more on the Yuon side."
- 11 And then the box further down after that says: "What we want to
- 12 make clear here is that these traitorous networks have always
- 13 been with the CIA and the Yuon and that inside the Yuon, the CIA
- 14 are already predominant."
- 15 Further down, the next paragraph that's boxed says: "All such
- 16 opposition forces are CIA, Yuon, and Soviet espionage agents and
- 17 it is these forces that we must attack."
- 18 [14.45.16]
- 19 The paragraph after that says: "To sum things up, in the
- 20 contradiction with us are the CIA, the Yuon, and the KGB and
- 21 amongst these, the Yuon are the most noxious and acute."
- 22 The next boxed part says: "Our sharpest attack is on the
- 23 aggressive, territory-swallowing Yuon. At the same time, we
- 24 attack the CIA and the KGB."
- 25 And then on the next page or the the next page, yes, page 30 of

- 1 the Khmer document, there is a statement in the box: "There are
- 2 only CIA, Yuon, and Soviet forces attacking our revolution."
- 3 [14.46.10]
- 4 Witness, could you explain to the Court what was your
- 5 understanding of CIA at the time?
- 6 A. Mr. President, CIA, at the time, referred to Khmers in
- 7 Cambodia, but who received appointments from the America.
- 8 Q. Did your understanding of the CIA derive from the propaganda
- 9 documents such as the "Revolutionary Flag" which you said, in
- 10 evidence, was written by the Party Secretary?
- 11 A. Mr. President, the life and death enemy of the Communist Party
- of Kampuchea were to be determined by the Secretary of the Party.
- 13 No one could determine that.
- 14 Q. Can you explain to the Court can you please explain to the
- 15 Court what "Yuon" refers to?
- 16 A. Mr. President, "Yuon" refers to "Yuons" who lived in the Khmer
- 17 territories. Actually, it refers to the Khmer people with "Yuon"
- 18 tendency; they are -- they were against the Party's policies.
- 19 Q. And what was the Party line in relation to the "Yuon" enemy?
- 20 [14.48.51]
- 21 A. The Party policies were to the -- smash all enemies. Those who
- 22 were arrested were brought to the police and after interrogated,
- 23 they were to be smashed.
- 24 Q. In evidence, last week, you said that Son -- Son Sen directed
- 25 that S-21 was to identify and extract confessions from CIA

- 1 agents. You said that you later had to identify KGB agents and
- 2 there was also the aggressive "Yuon" who had to be smashed and
- 3 killed. Could you confirm then the classes of enemies of the
- 4 Communist Party of Kampuchea included the CIA, the KGB, and the
- 5 "Yuon"?
- 6 A. As the life and death enemies of the Communist Party of
- 7 Kampuchea were these three groups, CIA, KGB, and the "Yuon"
- 8 agents.
- 9 Q. Witness, just so that we can be absolutely clear, because you
- 10 explained that "Yuon" refers to "Yuon" who live in Khmer
- 11 territory or Khmer people with "Yuon" tendencies, are you
- 12 referring to the Vietnamese when you say "Yuon"?
- 13 [14.50.40]
- 14 A. Thank you. Mr. President, we have misunderstood one word.
- 15 Perhaps I made a mistake. We were to explore the "Yuon" enemies
- 16 within the Khmer territory; we were not to arrest "Yuon" enemies
- 17 in their territory. Then I moved on to talk about the Communist
- 18 Party of Kampuchea referring to the old forces of the enemies of
- 19 the Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea.
- 20 Q. Witness, thank you for that, but it is still confusing when
- 21 you refer to "Yuon" to explain the word "Yuon". So just to be
- 22 very clear, does "Yuon" mean people who are racially Vietnamese
- 23 or ethnically Vietnamese or have Vietnamese nationality?
- 24 A. In practice and in theory -- in theory we refer to the "Yuon"
- 25 agents as -- as the agents following the Cambodian territories

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- 1 and that refers to Khmer people with "Yuon" tendencies and they
- 2 refers to the forces of the People Revolutionary Party of
- 3 Kampuchea.
- 4 In practice, we saw this together; "Yuon" people were not able to
- 5 live in Cambodia, they would be looked at every time.
- 6 [14.53.10]
- 7 Q. I might just move on now. In evidence, earlier, you said that
- 8 Son Sen reprimanded you for there being no CIA confessions at
- 9 S-21 on one occasion; do you remember when he reprimanded you for
- 10 this?
- 11 A. Thank you. I do not recall the exact date, but the situation
- 12 there was that I was with Nat; I was his deputy. I was
- 13 interrogating a prisoner with him. He took out a piece of paper;
- 14 he said that now, in Sector 32, a CIA agent was found. No matter
- 15 if that CIA agent was base, he was still a CIA agent. Now, the
- 16 security sector of Sector 32 was -- found a CIA agent and how --
- 17 and why did S-21 not find any CIA agents?
- 18 [14.54.53]
- 19 Chap Nam was the chief of the Security Sector; it was Sector 32.
- 20 It was probably in December because I remember that it was before
- 21 I got married. Those who were from the Soviet Union were asked
- 22 and they named CIA rather and then Son Sen questioned why we
- 23 refer the Soviet people as CIA. And so we questioned them again
- 24 and so they said they were KGB not CIA, so that is why the KGB
- 25 agents were identified.

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- 1 And after that the third category of enemy were identified; they
- 2 was the "Yuon" agents. The word "agents" is very important here.
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- It is now appropriate for us to take a short break. We will break 4
- 5 for 20 minutes -- rather, we will break for 15 minutes and we
- 6 will resume after that.
- 7 Security guard is instructed to escort witness to the waiting
- room and return him to the courtroom before we resume. 8
- 9 The Court is adjourned.
- THE GREFFIER: 10
- 11 All rise.
- 12 (Court recesses from 1508H to 1513H)
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- Please be seated. The Court is now back in session. 14
- 15 We would like to hand over to Counsel for the civil party--
- 16 We note that counsel for Nuon Chea is on his feet. You may
- 17 proceed first.
- MR. PESTMAN: 18
- 19 I'm sorry to stand up again but I just had a question, because
- 20 apparently, Mr. President, you said something about three days
- 21 being given to the Defence to examine or cross-examine this
- 22 particular witness, in total -- something which not translated
- 23 into English. I don't know whether I was informed correctly or
- 24 not.
- 25 [15.15.07]

- 1 Is it true that we will only have three days for combined for
- 2 our cross examination?
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Yes indeed, according to the schedule, defence counsels have
- 5 three days starting from tomorrow. And the Chamber has not
- 6 determined precisely how the three days will be divided among the
- 7 three civil rather, three defence teams because, so far as we
- 8 observed, each and individual defence counsel has used the
- 9 allocated time differently. Some may have used more times than
- 10 the others and some have exercised their rights not to put
- 11 questions, and they have, for example, indicated to the senior
- 12 legal officer of the Trial Chamber that they would need half day,
- 13 but then they would not use the half day asked -- so on and so
- 14 forth. For this, the Chamber wishes to just make clear that we
- 15 offer three days for the defence counsels the three defend
- 16 counsels. Whether -- how they share the times among themselves --
- 17 then they would need to advise the Chamber, and -- yes, we hope
- 18 it's clear.
- 19 [15.17.03]
- 20 MR. PESTMAN:
- 21 Because we had indicated earlier to the senior legal officer that
- 22 we were we did not know how much time we needed, exactly. Of
- 23 course, dependent on the questions asked by the prosecutor and
- 24 the answers given -- also to questions by the civil parties, but
- 25 I my estimate is now that we will need approximately two days

- 1 for our cross-examination. I don't know whether that allows
- 2 enough time for the other teams to do their part of the
- 3 cross-examination.
- 4 [15.17.36]
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Counsel for Khieu Samphan, you may proceed.
- 7 MR. VERCKEN:
- 8 Thank you, Mr. President. First of all, this whole discussion
- 9 regarding the duration of the cross examination of the witness
- 10 now on -- at the dock leads me to underscore the great difficulty
- 11 the obscure nature of these proceedings place us.
- 12 Regarding, in particular, the way your Chamber is going to use
- 13 the elements from the investigation. Let me clarify.
- 14 I spoke about this matter to all parties present here -- except
- 15 for the Prosecution, I must confess, and no one is able to answer
- 16 the simple following question, which is: at the end of this
- 17 trial, are you going to deliberate and are you going to use the
- 18 totality of the investigation or will you only limit yourselves
- 19 to the documents that were produced before the Chamber and
- 20 debated in public, and that were indexed corresponding to this
- 21 status?
- 22 [15.19.49]
- 23 And I mention this right now because, when we cross-examine
- 24 someone, and especially someone as the witness, who was
- 25 questioned 65 times, as I already said, you can very well imagine

- 1 that if you look at the totality of these 65 sessions it will be
- 2 very it
- 3 will be different from just looking at the transcripts and at the
- 4 documents that were produced before the Court and approved as
- 5 such.
- 6 So that is my issue, and apparently I'm not the only one who is
- 7 confused about this -- and this is very important because in
- 8 terms of allowing my team to determine how much time we're going
- 9 to need to cross-examine this witness as well as the others, of
- 10 course.
- 11 [15.20.32]
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Could you advise the Chamber how much time would you need?
- 14 Counsel for Nuon Chea indicated that they would need
- 15 approximately two days for this so the Chamber is now expecting
- 16 from you the exact time your counsel your team wishes to have.
- 17 As we have learned from the past that sometimes you would ask for
- 18 more time and that, when it came to the time you put questions,
- 19 then counsel chose not to put any question.
- 20 And it is difficult for Chamber to determine the time for each
- 21 counsel. We understand that witness has different experience
- 22 accounts or testimonies to give to the Chamber, and for that the
- 23 Chamber cannot make any decision on the time and that for that
- 24 reason as well we also need to understand from counsels -- they
- 25 are supposed to advise the Chamber on how much time they need.

- 1 On Friday, counsels are also supposed to provide some preliminary
- 2 information concerning the times needed to the Chamber in that
- 3 meeting.
- 4 [15.22.37]
- 5 And at the same time the Chamber also needs to consider whether
- 6 questions are repetitious and if questions are repeated, then
- 7 Chamber may remind parties concerning their time used.
- 8 MR. VERCKEN:
- 9 Yes, Mr. President, I understand very well your concerns. And
- 10 this is why, in order to clearly address your concerns in the
- 11 most reliable way possible, I am requesting clarification as soon
- 12 as possible, and, if possible, right now, about how this trial is
- 13 going to unfold. I'd like to know very clearly, and I need this
- 14 in order to determine how much time I will require to
- 15 cross-examine the witness.
- 16 I need to know the rules according to which your Tribunal
- 17 operates; and I need to know which are the documents that you're
- 18 going to take with you when you deliberate. Are you going to use
- 19 the totality of the investigation for your deliberations?
- 20 [15.24.13]
- 21 Well, in that case, what I'm trying to say is that the
- 22 cross-examination will necessarily be longer because it will not
- 23 be based only on elements that were put before the Chamber during
- 24 the hearings. But on the other hand, if you tell us that the only
- 25 elements that you're going to take with you when you are going to

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- 1 deliberate are the transcripts and the documents that were that
- 2 were produced before the Chamber and that were indexed, well,
- 3 then, this will restrict, of course, the time that I will need to
- 4 cross-examine the witness.
- 5 And this question is being asked, in fact, from both sides: from
- 6 the Prosecution as well as from the Defence, so I think that it
- 7 is essential to obtain a clear and simple answer as soon as
- 8 possible. And then, on that basis, of course, we will be able to
- 9 address the concerns of the Chamber.
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Counsel for Ieng Sary, would you wish to make any observation
- 12 concerning this?
- 13 (Judges deliberate)
- 14 [15.26.58]
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Counsel Karnavas, you may now proceed.
- 17 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President. Thus far, I've prepared approximately
- 19 two days' worth of examination. However, that is based on if I
- 20 were to be going first, which I'm not. Depending on what happens
- 21 with the Nuon Chea team, obviously, I will then reconsider and
- 22 edit away things that might have been covered by them, assuming
- 23 they're covered sufficiently. And so I can only say that at least
- 24 a day I will need. I'll try to be as efficient as possible but I
- 25 have prepared for two days for the gentleman.

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- 1 And before I sit down, I notice that we've eaten up about --
- 2 approximately half hour worth of the civil parties' time, and I
- 3 do think -- at least the Ieng Sary team thinks it's it would be
- 4 fair to give the civil parties one hour tomorrow morning to make
- 5 up for the lost time this morning and this afternoon that's been
- 6 take up with procedural matters. Thank you.
- 7 [15.38.10]
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 International Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 10 MR. SMITH:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President. Certainly, in answer to the defence
- 12 team for Khieu Samphan, it would be the Prosecution's position
- 13 that all of this witness' prior statements be taken into account
- 14 in your deliberations, and all of his prior testimony. Your
- 15 Honours have already made a decision on this point and stated
- 16 that all of the prior statements of a witness are deemed put
- 17 before the Chamber.
- 18 [15.28.46]
- 19 The witness is available here for cross-examination, and
- 20 certainly it accords with international criminal law practice
- 21 particularly in relation to the acts and conduct of the accused.
- 22 If the witness the witness needs to be present for examination
- 23 and now that that has occurred, we would ask -- we will be
- 24 submitting that all of his prior testimony and statements be
- 25 taken into consideration. Thank you.

- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil party, you may proceed first.
- 3 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 4 Yes, good afternoon, Your Honours, good afternoon, President.
- 5 First, a few observations regarding the issue that was raised by
- 6 the Defence, I believe that it's very difficult for us to gauge
- 7 precisely how much time is necessary for examination ahead of
- 8 time, independently of the issue of documents. It's difficult
- 9 because we do not know the questions that are put by the other
- 10 parties before us so we can only provide you with estimates. And
- 11 I understand, of course, that the Defence teams are not always
- 12 able, just as we are, to provide a specific time.
- 13 [15.30.12]
- 14 Now, regarding the issue of documents, I in my opinion, I also
- 15 believe that we should clarify which documents you're going to
- 16 use when you deliberate. As far as I am concerned, I thought that
- 17 any document that had been put before the Chamber could be used
- 18 during the deliberation, but it might be a good idea for your
- 19 Chamber to specify exactly what it means by "document produced
- 20 before the Chamber", because obviously this is not clear for
- 21 everyone. It is true that -- regarding the quantity of documents
- 22 that your Chamber will use will have an effect on the time for
- 23 examination.
- 24 [15.30.59]
- 25 And last point and please forgive me for insisting, and I was

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- 1 going to ask you this question at the end of the day but I will
- 2 do it right now because we're discussing this issue of
- 3 examination. And I think there was a misunderstanding regarding
- 4 our request for extra time. I'm not going to count up our time,
- 5 precisely, but it's true the hearing started 30 minutes late this
- 6 morning for reasons that we could not control. Thirty minutes is
- 7 a lot in a one-day examination and we would like at least to be
- 8 able to recuperate these 30 minutes, but also the 20-25 minutes
- 9 that we are spending now discussing an important issue. So I am
- 10 delighted to see that my colleague working for my colleague --
- 11 the Ieng Sary defence is willing to grant us one hour now, and I
- 12 believe indeed that it would be a good idea to have one extra
- 13 hour tomorrow because we have lost more than 45 minutes without
- 14 us being responsible for this.
- 15 [15.32.10]
- 16 So I am kindly requesting the Court to grant us an extra hour.
- 17 And I think it's also normal for the Defence to ask for extra
- 18 time if the Defence feels that it's necessary. This hearing is
- 19 based on a debate, and we should not limit this time to debate
- 20 the issues if the parties believe that it is necessary and --
- 21 during which time we also put documents before the Court.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Defence Counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan, you may proceed. And this
- 24 is the last time you will take the floor for this afternoon's
- 25 session.

- 1 MR. VERCKEN:
- 2 Not this afternoon, Mr. President; with regard to this question.
- 3 I would like to respond to the prosecutor and say that contrary
- 4 to what he has said the practice that he wishes to have applied
- 5 is not at all that of the International Courts.
- 6 [15.33.12]
- 7 International courts apply an accusatory procedure and the
- 8 Chamber has to deliberate on documents tendered into evidence and
- 9 there has to be a public debate on that. This is what happens in
- 10 France and it is similar to what we are doing here. The assize
- 11 courts cannot deliberate without the documents.
- 12 Let me cite the situation at ICTR, the International Criminal
- 13 Tribunal for Rwanda, where the practice that is being presented
- 14 by the prosecutor doesn't obtain the -- the proceedings cannot
- 15 proceed -- or cannot be held without the documents being tendered
- 16 into evidence and debated upon by the parties.
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Is this your last standing, Mr. Pestman? Would you -- how many
- 19 times more you need to take the floor?
- 20 MR. PESTMAN:
- 21 Well, I certainly hope it's my last time. It's a bit confusing
- 22 because there's two discussions running parallel.
- 23 [15.34.33]
- 24 There's one about the amount of days allotted for the Defence. I
- 25 haven't heard Khieu Samphan's position on that particular issue,

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- 1 so I can count two plus maybe two, it's already four, so I
- 2 foresee a problem.
- 3 I would like to know that as far as I'm aware that the prosecutor
- 4 and the civil parties together had six-and-half, seven days to
- 5 examine this witness. So I would maintain that we have at least a
- 6 similar amount of days to our disposal to cross-examine the
- 7 witness as well.
- 8 [15.35.05]
- 9 The other discussion is quite interesting, but it's not the first
- 10 time that we have this discussion, the discussion about the
- 11 probative value of statements given before the Investigating
- 12 Judges which are not dealt with or mentioned during the
- 13 examination of a witness.
- 14 We had this discussion with the senior legal officer and she told
- 15 me -- and I think it's important that that is put on the record
- 16 -- she told me or us that persons present at the time that she
- 17 took the position she thought that the Trial Chamber would take
- 18 the position that only those excerpts which were discussed with
- 19 the witness or by the witness could be used as evidence, and not
- 20 other statements or excerpts which are not dealt with in court.
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Yes, please.
- 23 MR. SMITH:
- 24 Thank you, Your Honours. I think there's a couple of things that
- 25 have been confused here.

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- 1 Firstly, the Prosecution is not asking Your Honours to take the
- 2 witness statements -- this witness's statements and trial
- 3 transcript into account without them being placed before the
- 4 Chamber.
- 5 [15.36.27]
- 6 We put them on our list to be placed before the Chamber, and Your
- 7 Honours' have already stated that once the witness appears the
- 8 documents are in fact beyond but before the Chamber. That was a
- 9 ruling of Your Honours.
- 10 Secondly, the practice at the International Criminal Tribunal for
- 11 the Former Yugoslavia is that if a witness appears that statement
- 12 can go in as evidence in conjunction with the witness testimony.
- 13 [15.36.56]
- 14 Also, the practice is that witness statements can go into the
- 15 Chamber's consideration without that witness appearing if that
- 16 statement does not relate to material relating to the acts and
- 17 conduct of the accused.
- 18 In this situation, because the witness is here, he's here to be
- 19 cross-examined on his statements and any testimony he gives. And
- 20 so it is the international practice that statements that have
- 21 been put before the Chamber can be taken into account.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 24 I apologize, Mr. President, but just--
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

- 1 You are not yet permitted to take the floor, Counsel. You can't
- 2 just stand up and talk. You promised once that you would seek
- 3 leave from us.
- 4 Now, concerning the delay and the loss of time for counsel for
- 5 civil parties this morning because of the traffic jam, today's
- 6 hearing will be delayed to four-twenty.
- 7 However, there have been interruptions from parties concerning
- 8 questions, objections, so this contributes to the loss of the
- 9 time to be given to the civil party lawyers.
- 10 [15.39.15]
- 11 To reflect this, the Chamber decides that an additional one hour
- 12 will be provided to civil party lawyers tomorrow morning to
- 13 continue their questionings to this witness.
- 14 Secondly, concerning the documents to be the basis on the
- 15 Chamber's decision, the Chamber finds that in -- at paragraph 3
- of the Rule and Evidence Provision, the Chamber has not observed
- 17 any other provisions besides Internal Rule 87.3, that the Chamber
- 18 will consider evidence to be placed before the Court or the
- 19 documents that are placed before the parties by the Chamber.
- 20 [15.40.42]
- 21 Documents considered to be -- will be considered to be placed
- 22 before the Court when their contents are summarized before the
- 23 Court. This is the basis for the Chamber to consider its
- 24 decision.
- 25 Secondly, because of the facts in the Closing Order are broad in

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- 1 nature, the Chamber considers Internal Rule 89 ter concerning
- 2 severance of the proceedings. This was the basis of the Chamber's
- 3 decision when it comes to the Severance Order.
- 4 This is different from the facts set out in the Closing Order;
- 5 that is why we are dealing with this segment, Case 002/1. The
- 6 Chamber has been following the order as mentioned in the
- 7 memorandum that was sent out to the parties.
- 8 And in order to make this clear or even clearer, I would like to
- 9 hand over to Judge Lavergne to specify this issue because it
- 10 deals more with the French proceedings.
- 11 Judge Lavergne, you may proceed.
- 12 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 13 Yes. Thank you, Mr. President.
- 14 [15.42.59]
- 15 I do not know whether the reference to French civil law is
- 16 actually pertinent, but what I know is that you've made proper
- 17 reference to Rule 87.3 which is the rule that is applicable to
- 18 this Case and which provides clearly that for the Chamber to rule
- 19 it has to rely on documents tendered into evidence.
- 20 And we should also be clear on this point; we cannot make do with
- 21 parts of documents read out. When a document is tendered into
- 22 evidence, it is the entire document which is used by the Chamber
- 23 as the case may apply.
- 24 I think we have already clarified this matter and stated that
- 25 when a witness is testifying all prior testimonies, all prior

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- 1 declarations, have to be tendered into evidence, which means that
- 2 the parties have the opportunity if they so wish to rely on those
- 3 documents to ask questions, and that is part of adversarial
- 4 proceedings.
- 5 [15.44.19]
- 6 So if the parties wish to use the documents, they may do so, and
- 7 if they do not wish to do so, so be it, and the Chamber relies on
- 8 those documents in making a ruling.
- 9 I hope this clarification settles the matter and the rule that
- 10 applies is Rule 85.3.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 The Chamber now hands over to civil party counsel to continue her
- 13 questioning.
- 14 The Chamber will not give the floor to you again, Counsel. That
- 15 was your last forum. I asked you that clearly.
- 16 Now, civil party counsel can continue her questioning and the
- 17 proceedings will last until 4.20.
- 18 MS. NGUYEN:
- 19 Thank you very much, Your Honours.
- 20 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 21 Q. Witness, just before the break, I asked you about the incident
- 22 where Son Sen reprimanded you for there being no CIA confessions
- 23 at S-21. I asked you for the date that he reprimanded you, and
- 24 you said it was probably around December. Can you clarify what
- 25 year this was, please?

- 1 [15.45.59]
- 2 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 3 A. Thank you for your clarification. It was in December 1975,
- 4 before I got married.
- 5 Q. Thank you, Witness. Did you feel under pressure from Son Sen
- 6 to obtain CIA confessions at S-21?
- 7 A. Thank you. Mr. President, at that time I understood that it
- 8 was more of an -- imposing an order than an explanation.
- 9 Q. So you understood that you must carry that -- carry out that
- 10 order; is that correct?
- 11 A. No one could reject the order of the Party. Soldiers had to
- 12 obey the orders.
- 13 Q. And was Son Sen, likewise, under pressure himself from the
- 14 upper echelons to obtain CIA confessions from S-21?
- 15 [15.47.52]
- 16 A. I would be speculating if I answered this question.
- 17 Q. Did Nuon Chea ever impose on you or order you or make you feel
- 18 pressured to extract confessions at S-21 for people being CIA?
- 19 A. Mr. President, when Son Sen talked about the facts that S-21
- 20 could not find any CIA, it was like an imposition of an order
- 21 already and that imposition of order was from Son Sen. And when
- 22 Nuon Chea came to supervise S-21, S-21 was already in a position
- 23 that it had to follow the Party's policies. Everyone had to be in
- 24 agreement that the Party's policy was to be implemented.
- 25 Q. Why was it necessary to have CIA confessions at S-21?

- 1 A. Mr. President, the duty of S-21 was to implement the
- 2 counter-espionage -- rather was to counter-espionage. That was
- 3 why we were required to find CIA, KGB and the territories
- 4 following "Yuon" agents.
- 5 MS. NGUYEN:
- 6 Your Honours, I now seek leave to have the witness shown another
- 7 document. This is document number D57 and it is ERN 008 -- sorry,
- 8 00088751. This document appears to only be in the Khmer language
- 9 although there is some English written on it.
- 10 [15.51.29]
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 The Court permits. The assistant is instructed to put up the
- 13 document onto the screen and court officer is instructed to bring
- 14 the document to the witness.
- 15 MS. NGUYEN:
- 16 Your Honour, I might just add that this document also goes by the
- 17 number D108/26.272.
- 18 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 19 Q. Witness, have you seen this document before; do you recognize
- 20 it?
- 21 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 22 A. Mr. President, this document was shown to me during the Case
- 23 001 Trial. However, if we move into this -- move to the other
- 24 pages of this document, we would be able to see who was -- who
- 25 the interrogator was. Was it Mam Nai or Comrade Pon?

- 1 Q. Perhaps I would just get you to identify the document first
- 2 and then we can get into those details later.
- 3 [15.53.01]
- 4 Could you please turn over to the page to where there is a
- 5 chart-like schedule and could you please identify the columns --
- 6 the titles of the columns at the top of the page and also the
- 7 title of the document?
- 8 A. In the first column, it reads the names of the prisoner
- 9 entered on the 26 of November 1978.
- 10 Q. Are there any other identifying particulars contained on that
- 11 schedule such as names, age, gender, and where they are from?
- 12 A. In this document, yes, there is. There's the age of these two
- 13 individuals. It's 29 years old, both of them, both of them were
- 14 male, and they were sent from Kampong Saom. These two victims
- 15 were arrested and interrogated, and who were considered as the
- 16 foreign intelligence, were from Hawaii.
- 17 [15.54.59]
- 18 Q. Witness, you are referring to the first and second entry on
- 19 the document. Could you please read the names of these two
- 20 individuals?
- 21 A. The first one, his name was Christopher Edward DeLance.
- 22 Another one is Michael Scott Kemo (sic).
- 23 Q. Just for the record, I think that reads "Michael Scott Deeds".
- 24 Witness, do you remember seeing these two prisoners at S-21?
- 25 A. Thank you. Mr. President, when I went to S-21 I saw one

- 1 English person. I do not recall his name, and I only knew about
- 2 the other three foreigners brought to S-21.
- 3 Q. Did you see any confessions from Christopher DeLance and
- 4 Michael Scott Deeds during your time at S-21?
- 5 A. Mr. President, I do not have the Khmer translation.
- 6 Q. Witness, I'll repeat the question again.
- 7 The question -- Witness, the question was: Did you see the
- 8 confessions of Christopher DeLance and Michael Scott Deeds during
- 9 your time at S-21?
- 10 [15.57.52]
- 11 A. Thank you. Mr. President, I have seen the confessions of these
- 12 four individuals. If you wish to ask me any specific questions
- 13 about these confessions, I am pleased to receive any confession.
- 14 MS. NGUYEN:
- 15 Yes, Your Honour, I might take this opportunity to hand over a
- 16 copy of the confession of Michael Deeds to the witness. It is a
- 17 rather lengthy document, and I think that it could help to
- 18 refresh his memory.
- 19 The ERN of this document is 00211734 -- that is the ERN of Khmer
- 20 version of the document. It is document D22/21/3. And the English
- 21 version of the document is ERN 00335569. The French version of
- this document is ERN 00323822.
- 23 [15.59.27]
- 24 May I have the document passed to the witness, please?
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 What is the purpose of asking the witness concerning this
- 2 specific document?
- 3 MS. NGUYEN:
- 4 Your Honour, we've heard the witness give evidence about the
- 5 Party line in relation to CIA and KGB and "Yuon". The
- 6 significance of the document, Your Honour, is that it is a very
- 7 lengthy document. It contains a great deal of detail about CIA
- 8 operations, training, reporting lines, communications, equipment,
- 9 technical instruments, missions and purposes, and intelligence in
- 10 the region, which has a very Communist Kampuchea -- Communist
- 11 Party of Kampuchea political slant to it.
- 12 I just wanted to show the witness this document and have him
- 13 comment on whether or not -- or how the victims came to confess
- 14 to these things, or rather, the process taken, the efforts taken,
- 15 for the interrogators to extract this specific, very detailed
- 16 information from the victims.
- 17 [16.01.16]
- 18 The confession itself, Your Honour, is not to be used for -- to
- 19 prove the truth of its content, it's not the contents of the
- 20 document if it sought to be relied upon, these documents were
- 21 obtained under torture and I think that there is ample
- 22 jurisprudence that confessions made under torture are inherently
- 23 unreliable.
- 24 The information to be derived from this confession is to be
- 25 derived from the length of the confession, the details included

- 1 in the confession, the political slant taken in the information
- 2 given, and the resemblance to party propaganda of the information
- 3 extracted from the victims.
- 4 (Judges deliberate)
- 5 [16.04.07]
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 The Chamber rejects the counsel's request to put this document
- 8 for debate. Counsel may proceed further with other questions
- 9 instead.
- 10 MS. NGUYEN:
- 11 Your Honours, if you are against me on this one, I can move on,
- 12 but I would like to draw your attention to a ruling that the
- 13 Trial Chamber made in Case 001. Excuse me, Your Honour, it is a
- 14 division of the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges in Case 002
- 15 and also related to the PTC division.
- 16 It's document D130/8 and it's an Order on the use of statements
- 17 which were or may have been obtained by torture. It was dated the
- 18 28th of July 2009. And paragraph 27 of this document says:
- 19 "That the question of reliability of the information contained in
- 20 a confession does not arise if the information obtained is not
- 21 being used for the truth of its contents, but rather as evidence
- 22 that the CPK relied on the contents of the confession to carry
- 23 out systematic crimes falling within the jurisdiction of the
- 24 ECCC.
- 25 [16.05.38]

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- 1 It goes on to say that, for example, a confession may contain
- 2 lists of names of people that the torture victim has identified
- 3 as traitors and if it can be demonstrated that the people listed
- 4 were later arrested or executed, this may assist in proving that
- 5 the charged persons relied on these confessions in order to
- 6 commit systematic arrests and/or executions. As such, the
- 7 information contained in the confession is not being used for the
- 8 truth of its contents; that is, it's not being used to establish
- 9 that the persons concerned were actual traitors, but rather to
- 10 show how the confession was used and that is, that it was used to
- 11 commit crimes against the persons named in the confession."
- 12 In this case, the -- the confession isn't relied on for its
- 13 inherent truthfulness, but if Your Honour -- if Your Honours are
- 14 against me here, I can move on and I can question the witness
- 15 from his memory.
- 16 (Judges deliberate)
- 17 [16.08.56]
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 The Chamber decides, therefore, that you may proceed with your
- 20 questionings.
- 21 MS. NGUYEN:
- 22 Your Honours, just to be clear, does that mean proceed to ask the
- 23 witness from his memory or -- yes, okay. Thank you very much.
- 24 Witness--
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

- 1 Indeed, you're supposed to proceed with the questions asking for
- 2 the witness -- asking witness to tell -- testify based on his
- 3 memories, what he witnessed and heard. So your questions could be
- 4 proceeded and the Chamber will also rule upon immediately if the
- 5 questions are not relevant.
- 6 BY MS. NGUYEN:
- 7 Thank you, Your Honours.
- 8 [16.10.08]
- 9 Q. Witness, you just mentioned before that you remembered the
- 10 confessions of the foreign nationals who entered into S-21.
- 11 Generally speaking, how long were these confessions; if you could
- 12 recall length of pages, for example?
- 13 MR. KAING GUEK EAV:
- 14 A. I don't remember, but I know it was lengthy.
- 15 Q. And the -- did these confessions come to you in both the
- 16 English language and the Khmer language?
- 17 A. The confessions came into two versions; both English and
- 18 Khmer.
- 19 Q. Did the prisoners -- the foreign national Western prisoners,
- 20 did they write in their own mother tongue, English?
- 21 A. Western prisoners made their confession in their native
- 22 language.
- 23 Q. Were these then, subsequently, translated into the Khmer
- 24 language or were they translated simultaneously as the confession
- 25 was being obtained?

- 1 [16.12.03]
- 2 A. In interrogating these four Westerners, I recruited a person
- 3 who could speak English very well to be with the interrogator
- 4 when interrogation took place.
- 5 Q. So the interrogation and the translation of the confession
- 6 were taken or were carried out by two different people?
- 7 A. Indeed, there were a translator or interpreter selected among
- 8 the prisoners and the interrogator.
- 9 Q. Would you agree, from having read those confessions, that the
- 10 information contained in the confessions align with the political
- 11 message that the Communist Party of Kampuchea wanted to send out
- 12 to its Party members?
- 13 A. I'm afraid I did not understand the question. Could it be
- 14 rephrased?
- 15 Q. Witness, you read these confessions and you understood their
- 16 contents; is that correct?
- 17 A. I neither reject this entirely, nor accept it entirely because
- 18 these accounts are separate. This confession was obtained in the
- 19 new context to me.
- 20 [16.14.33]
- 21 Q. And, Witness, could you please clarify for the Court what you
- 22 neither accepted nor rejected? What account did you neither
- 23 accept nor reject?
- 24 A. Normally, things that were new, I could never deny it
- 25 immediately, entirely, and I may remember them. And that's all.

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- 1 Q. During the interrogation sessions, were there any guidelines
- 2 given to the interrogators as to what should be extracted out of
- 3 the victims?
- 4 [16.15.48]
- 5 A. Normally, guidelines and objectives were communicated to us
- 6 all along. As the chairman of S-21, I just wished to know whether
- 7 the interpreter understood the language he's supposed to render
- 8 and I had to be with him sitting side by side to learn whether
- 9 this was genuine and, indeed, I learned from that moment that the
- 10 interpreter was of good quality; he could render the confession.
- 11 Q. Witness, what I'm interested in knowing is what did the
- 12 interrogators put to the victims to extract the confessions that
- 13 they obtained to the victims being CIA agents?
- 14 [16.17.19]
- 15 A. With regard to this specific case, I'm afraid I cannot
- 16 respond. The people whom I assigned to interrogate these four
- 17 Westerners were those who had been working at M-13 and
- 18 interrogation techniques were also taught to them there and they
- 19 were skilled in their job.
- 20 Q. Were the contents of documents such as the "Revolutionary
- 21 Flag" used by interrogators during the interrogation sessions
- 22 with victims?
- 23 A. The "Revolutionary Flag" magazines' portions regarding the
- 24 enemies of the nation including the CIA, KGB, and the "Yuon"
- 25 agents were well trained to every member of the Party. I don't

believe that this notion would ever be conveyed to the prisoners anyway because member understood it well. MR. PRESIDENT: Since it is now appropriate time for today adjournment, the hearing session today will adjourn, and the following session will be resumed tomorrow, at 9 a.m. Security personnels are now instructed to bring the witness and the accused persons to the detention facility and have them returned to the courtroom by 9 a.m. The Court is adjourned. (Court adjourns at 1619H)