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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0905H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 In today's hearing, parties will continue to present documents
- 6 before the Chamber, namely, the document relevant the structure
- 7 and communication of the Democratic Kampuchea.
- 8 [09.06.32]
- 9 And, yesterday, the floor was taken by the Civil Party Lead
- 10 Co-Lawyers, and the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers still have
- 11 another hour to finish the presentation of the documents.
- 12 But before I hand over to the Lead Co-Lawyers, I would like to
- 13 ask Greffier Se Kolvuthy to report the attendance of parties.
- 14 THE GREFFIER:
- 15 Good morning, Mr. President. All parties are present except Mr.
- 16 Ieng Sary, due to his health reason. However, due to his
- 17 application E237, the Accused has waived his right to be present
- 18 directly in attending the hearing of certain witnesses, TCCP-169,
- 19 that the Chamber is scheduled to hear him today.
- 20 Mr. Michael Karnavas, the international counsel for Mr. Ieng
- 21 Sary, is not present, due to his busy schedule.
- 22 As for TCCP-169 will be in the waiting room at 10.30 this
- 23 morning.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you.

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- 1 I note that the defence counsel is on his feet. You may proceed.
- 2 [09.08.20]
- 3 MR. IANUZZI:
- 4 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, everyone. Just with
- 5 respect to that last announcement, will we be moving into witness
- 6 testimony this afternoon if time permits -- excuse me, civil
- 7 party testimony?
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 The Chamber has determined the date for the Prosecution and the
- 10 civil parties to put the documents before the Chamber for two
- 11 days, and we also allocate the time to the defence teams for two
- 12 days as well. So the Chamber will abide by its decision in
- 13 relation to the scheduling of the hearing of the document
- 14 presentation by parties.
- 15 We will continue hearing this presentation in relation to the
- 16 documents concerning the communication of the Democratic
- 17 Kampuchea. However, the Chamber today has reserved one civil
- 18 party in order to continue the proceeding and to expedite the
- 19 proceedings before us, in case where the defence teams decide not
- 20 present any evidentiary documents before the Chamber.
- 21 [09.10.02]
- 22 And the civil party that the Chamber has summoned to testify is a
- 23 reserved civil party. That is in the preparation in case we do
- 24 not have any other matters; we will have to make use of that
- 25 opportunity to hear this testimony of the civil party.

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- 1 MR. IANUZZI:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President. That's exactly what I wanted to know.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Now I hand over to the Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties. You
- 6 may proceed.
- 7 MR. PICH ANG:
- 8 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, and good
- 9 morning to all parties and member of the public. My name is Pich
- 10 Ang. I am the Lead -- National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil
- 11 party.
- 12 The Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers Section will wrap up our
- 13 presentation within an hour this morning. And yesterday I
- 14 presented a number of documents, including the video clips of Mr.
- 15 Nuon Chea and Mr. Khieu Samphan, and this morning I will continue
- 16 on from where I left off yesterday concerning the video clips of
- 17 Mr. Khieu Samphan.
- 18 [09.11.44]
- 19 And, once again, I would like to refer to the video number
- 20 E109/2.3R. This video clip depicts the second episode of the
- 21 video, and I have already given it to the AV booth. So I would
- 22 like to seek permission from the Chamber to have it played for
- 23 the Chamber as well as the members of the public.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 You may proceed.

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1 AV assistant, you are instructed to play this video clip as per

- 2 the request by the Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties.
- 3 [09.12.38]
- 4 (Audio-visual presentation)
- 5 "[Interpreted from Khmer]: I respected the discipline. I
- 6 respected the discipline in the sense that I wasn't working in
- 7 the fields or building dams with my comrades. I simply stayed out
- 8 of the way so that I did not disrupt them; that was my spirit.
- 9 And I was accused of not trying to know or understand anything.
- 10 "But, firstly, how could I imagine this? It was a nationalist
- 11 movement, so I trusted from my heart. Secondly, because I was
- 12 thinking that I could contribute in part if I could not work in
- 13 the field like my compatriots. So I tried to live modestly. I did
- 14 not want to be perceived that my countrymen work hard in the
- 15 field and they had to endure a lot of difficulties and I was
- 16 living in Phnom Penh, I enjoyed my life, and I had a lot of foods
- 17 to eat on myself. So, both my wife and I -- I was the head of the
- 18 state, and my wife was a cook. She cooked, and I was not resented
- 19 with that because I did not work as hard as my countrymen in the
- 20 field, and my wife did not work that hard either. So I have no
- 21 reason to complain because I was fine, myself, in Phnom Penh. I
- 22 met my family together, even if my children were in the
- 23 Children's Centre. They came home to visit us every week; they
- 24 were in a better and privileged situation than those who worked
- 25 hard in the field. So I had nothing to complain about my life."

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- 1 (End of audio-visual presentation)
- 2 [09.14.40]
- 3 MR. PICH ANG:
- 4 I would like to mention that this video start from a minute 30
- 5 seconds to 28 minutes and 20 seconds, and this video depicts the
- 6 situation of the victims in the cooperatives.
- 7 Next, I would like to seek leave from Mr. President to president
- 8 this Statute of the Communist Party of Kampuchea -- a portion of
- 9 this Statute, starting from Article 8 -- rather, Article 7,
- 10 concerning the Party organizational line from the Centre to the
- 11 base.
- 12 With your leave, Mr. President, I would like it to be displayed
- on the screens. And this is document IS 9.1.
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 You may proceed.
- 16 MR. PICH ANG:
- 17 I would like to start from Article 7, since I have already
- 18 mentioned the title of the document. And instead of reading the
- 19 relevant ERNs, I go to the article immediately:
- 20 [09.16.24]
- 21 "Article 7: Party organizational lines. The Party organizational
- 22 lines are as follows:
- 23 "1. The Party organization which has the highest power rights
- 24 throughout the country is the General Conference representing the
- 25 entire country.

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- 1 "During the period of time between one General Conference to
- 2 another, the highest operational unit throughout the country is
- 3 the Central Committee.
- 4 "2. The organization which has the highest power rights in each
- 5 zone is the Zone Representational Conference.
- 6 "During the time from one conference to another, the highest
- 7 operational organization for each individual zone is the Zone
- 8 Committee.
- 9 "3. The organization which has the highest power rights in each
- 10 sector or city is the Sector or the City Representational
- 11 Conference.
- 12 "During the time between one Sector or City Conference to
- 13 another, the highest operational organization for that sector or
- 14 city is the Sector or City Committee.
- 15 [09.17.51]
- 16 "4. The organization which has the highest power rights in each
- 17 district is Conference representing the district.
- 18 "During the time period from one District Conference to another,
- 19 the operational organization for each individual district is the
- 20 District Committee.
- 21 "5. The organization which has the highest power rights from a
- 22 branch is the Branch Representational Conference (for large
- 23 branches) or the Branch Conference for the entire (sic) of the
- 24 branches (for small branches).
- 25 "During the time period between Branch Conferences, the

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- 1 operational organization for each branch is the Branch Committee
- 2 (for large branches) or the Secretary or Deputy Secretary (for
- 3 small branches).
- 4 "6. Party organizations in the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea
- 5 have similar organizations, according to each Party echelon
- 6 framework.
- 7 [09.19.13]
- 8 "Article 8: Any sector or unit which has special characteristics,
- 9 be they political, military, economic or culture-social affairs
- 10 related, may be organized separately, with the Central Committee
- 11 being responsible, directly or indirectly, along a specific
- 12 organizational line.
- 13 "Article 9: Each revolutionary cooperative, factory, military,
- 14 company-level unit, worksite, and Ministry Office may organize a
- 15 Party Branch, provided there are three or more Party members.
- 16 "Branches which have from three to eight Party members must
- 17 select a Secretary or Deputy Secretary to lead routine work.
- 18 "Branches with nine or more Party members must select a Branch
- 19 Committee to lead.
- 20 "If necessary for the work, a Sub-Branch may be organized.
- 21 "Article 10: The tasks of a branch: A branch has two tasks:
- 22 "1. Tasks among the popular masses
- 23 "Proselytize the popular masses with specific plans and programs
- 24 in its area, in the unions and cooperatives, and in the
- 25 Revolutionary Army, regarding political lines, ideological

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- 1 principles and stances, and organizational lines, according to
- 2 the task of national defence and the construction of Democratic
- 3 Kampuchea in the Party stance of class struggle of socialist
- 4 revolution and in building socialism.
- 5 [09.21.04]
- 6 "Along with this, [a branch] must grasp and agitate popular mass
- 7 organizations at each site in the unions and the cooperatives and
- 8 in the Revolutionary Army to carry out revolutionary activities
- 9 strongly in accordance with the tasks of national defence and the
- 10 construction of Democratic Kampuchea in the Party direction of
- 11 socialist revolution and building socialism.
- 12 "2. Internal tasks, that is:
- 13 "A. Closely re-educate and be a Party members and core
- 14 organizations politically, ideologically, and organizationally,
- 15 according to the tasks of national defence and constructing
- 16 Democratic Kampuchea with the Party stance of class struggle of
- 17 socialist revolution and building socialism.
- 18 "B. Closely grasp organization in the strengthening and expanding
- 19 of and the screening of Party members in core organizations.
- 20 "Clearly, deeply, and closely arrange the tasking of Party
- 21 members and core organizations to work among the popular masses,
- 22 the worker-peasants, in the unions and cooperatives, and in the
- 23 Revolutionary Army, in order to agitate the revolutionary
- 24 movement to be constantly hot, according to the Party political
- 25 lines of national defence and the construction of Democratic

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- 1 Kampuchea, in the Party direction of socialist revolution and
- 2 building socialism.
- 3 [09.22.32]
- 4 "Implement a regular and detailed branch life once monthly.
- 5 "'Manage branch property and administer branch discipline,
- 6 maintaining a system of reporting to upper echelon to the
- 7 situation of the work of the branch, etc."
- 8 I would like to skip one article and move to Article 12, the
- 9 District Committee:
- 10 "The District Committee must hold an ordinary District
- 11 Representation Conference once every six months in order to:
- 12 "1. Clearly and profoundly examine and deliberate on District
- 13 activities by drawing experience, seeking out good and bad
- 14 qualities.
- 15 "2. Designate new work, according to the Party line. Must
- 16 designate clear plans for work among the popular masses and for
- 17 internal Party work, within its district framework.
- 18 "3. Select and appoint the new leadership organization, the
- 19 District Committee (based on the Ten Criteria of the Party and
- 20 with the prior examination, deliberation, and agreement of the
- 21 Sector Committee and the Zone Committee).
- 22 [09.23.38]
- 23 "Article 13: Tasks of the District Committee.
- 24 "The tasks of the District Committee are:
- 25 "1. Go down close to the branches, down to the specific bases of

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1 branches in the unions and cooperatives and in the Revolutionary

- 2 Army, in order to lead the implementation of tasks, both among
- 3 the popular masses and internally, to be always hot and active in
- 4 plans, according to the political lines of national defence and
- 5 the construction of Democratic Kampuchea and according to the
- 6 Party's direction of socialist revolution and building socialism.
- 7 "2. Constantly and tightly grasp the popular masses in the
- 8 unions and cooperatives and in the Revolutionary Army within its
- 9 district framework politically, ideologically, and
- 10 organizationally by constantly arming them politically,
- 11 ideologically, and organizationally in the tasks of national
- 12 defence and the construction of Democratic Kampuchea, according
- 13 to the Party direction of socialist revolution and building
- 14 socialism.
- 15 "3. Constantly and tightly grasp the branches, cadres, and Party
- 16 members, along with all the core organizations of the district,
- 17 in regards to the personal history, politically, ideologically,
- 18 and organizationally, by arming them politically, ideologically,
- 19 and organizationally [...].
- 20 [09.25.03]
- 21 "4. Manage the property of the district organizations and
- 22 administer discipline in the district framework, maintaining a
- 23 system of reporting to upper echelon [...].
- 24 "Article 14: The District Committee must hold ordinary meetings
- 25 once monthly to examine, monitor, and deliberate on old work and

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- 1 to bring up new work.
- 2 "Article 15: Sector-City Committee must hold ordinary
- 3 Sector-City Representational Conferences once every six months in
- 4 order to:
- 5 "1. Clearly and profoundly examine and deliberate the sector-city
- 6 activities by drawing experience, seeking out good and bad
- 7 qualities.
- 8 "2. Designate new work according to the Party line. Must
- 9 designate clear plans for work among the popular masses and for
- 10 internal Party work, within its sector [...].
- 11 "3) Select and appoint the new leadership organization, the
- 12 Sector-City Committee (based on the Ten Criteria of the Party and
- 13 with the prior examination, deliberation, and agreement of the
- 14 Zone Committee).
- 15 [09.26.08]
- 16 "Article 16: Tasks of the Sector-City Committee
- 17 "The tasks of the Sector-City Committee are:
- 18 "1. Go down close to the district and branches and the specific
- 19 bases of the branches in the unions and cooperatives and in the
- 20 Revolutionary Army, in order to lead the implementation of tasks,
- 21 both among the popular masses and internally, to be always hot
- 22 and active in plans, according to the political lines of national
- 23 defence and the construction of Democratic Kampuchea and
- 24 according to the Party's direction of socialist revolution and
- 25 building socialism.

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- 1 "2. Constantly and tightly grasp the popular masses in the unions
- 2 and cooperatives and in the Revolutionary Army within its
- 3 sector-city framework politically, ideologically, and
- 4 organizationally by constantly aiming them politically,
- 5 ideologically, and organizationally in the tasks of national
- 6 defence and the construction of Democratic Kampuchea, according
- 7 to Party direction of socialist revolution and building
- 8 socialism.
- 9 "3. Constantly and tightly grasp the district organizations, the
- 10 branch organizations, the cadres, the Party members along with
- 11 all the core organizations of the sector in regards to personal
- 12 histories, politically, ideologically, and organizationally, by
- 13 arming them politically, ideologically, and organizationally in
- 14 the tasks of national defence and the construction of Democratic
- 15 Kampuchea [...].
- 16 "4. Manage the property of the sector-city organizations and
- 17 administer discipline in the sector-city framework [...].
- 18 [09.27.54]
- 19 "Article 17: The Sector-City Committee must hold ordinary
- 20 meetings once every monthly (sic) to examine, monitor, and
- 21 deliberate on old work and to bring up new work.
- 22 "Zone Committee
- 23 "Article 18: The Zone Committee must hold an ordinary Zone
- 24 Representational Conference once each year in order to:
- 25 "1. Clearly and profoundly examine and deliberate on zone

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- 1 activities by drawing experience, seeking out good and bad
- 2 qualities.
- 3 "2. Designate new work according to the Party line. Must
- 4 designate clear plans for work among the popular masses and for
- 5 the internal Party work, within its zone framework.
- 6 "3. Select and appoint the new leadership organization, the Zone
- 7 Committee (based on the Ten Criteria of the Party and with the
- 8 prior examination, deliberation, and agreement of the Central
- 9 Committee).
- 10 [09.28.56]
- 11 "Article 19: The tasks of the Zone Committee
- 12 "The tasks of the Zone Committee are:
- 13 "1. Go down close to the sectors, districts, branches, and the
- 14 specific bases of the branches in the unions and cooperatives,
- 15 and in the Revolutionary Army in order to lead the implementation
- 16 of tasks, both among the popular masses and internally, to be
- 17 always hot and active in plans according to the political lines
- 18 of the national defence and the construction of Democratic
- 19 Kampuchea and according to the Party's direction of socialist
- 20 revolution and building socialism.
- 21 "2. Constantly and tightly grasp the popular masses in the unions
- 22 and cooperatives and in the Revolutionary Army within its zone,
- 23 politically, ideologically, and organizationally, by constantly
- 24 arming them politically, ideologically, and organizationally in
- 25 the tasks of national defence and the construction of Democratic

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- 1 Kampuchea, according to the Party direction of socialist
- 2 revolution and building socialism.
- 3 [09.30.10]
- 4 "3. Constantly and tightly grasp all the sectors, all the
- 5 district parties, all the branches, all the cadres and Party
- 6 members, along with all the core organization of the zone in
- 7 regard to personal histories, politically, ideologically, and
- 8 organizationally, by arming them politically, ideologically, and
- 9 organizationally in the tasks of national defence and the
- 10 construction of Democratic Kampuchea, according to the Party
- 11 direction of socialist revolution and building socialism.
- 12 "4. Manage the property of zone organizations and administer
- 13 discipline in the zone framework, maintaining a system of
- 14 reporting to the Central Committee on the situation and the work
- 15 of the zone.
- 16 "Article 20: The Zone Committee must hold ordinary meetings once
- 17 every three months to examine, monitor, and deliberate on old
- 18 work and to bring up new work.
- 19 "The Central Committee
- 20 "Article 21: The Central Committee must call an ordinary General
- 21 Conference representing the entire country once every four years
- 22 in order to:
- 23 "1. Clearly and profoundly examine and deliberate on the old
- 24 Central Committee activities by drawing past experience of right
- 25 and wrong regarding politics, ideology, and organization, [as

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- 1 well as] all important work.
- 2 [09.31.38]
- 3 "2. Designate the political line and Statute of the Party.
- 4 "3. Select and appoint the new Central Committee (based on the
- 5 Ten Criteria of the Party).
- 6 "Article 22: A General Conference may be held before the
- 7 designated time or can be postponed, according to the specific
- 8 situation.
- 9 "The number of full-rights representatives who must be invited to
- 10 participate in a General Conference representing the entire
- 11 country will be designated by the Central Committee.
- 12 "Article 23: The tasks of the Central Committee
- 13 "The tasks of the Central Committee are:
- 14 "1. Implement the Party political line and Statute throughout the
- 15 Party.
- 16 "2. Instruct all zones and sector-city organizations and Party
- 17 organizations responsible for various matters to carry out
- 18 activities, according to the political line and the ideological
- 19 and organizational [disciplines] and stances in accordance with
- 20 the tasks of national defence and building Democratic Kampuchea
- 21 and in accordance with the Party direction of socialist
- 22 revolution and building socialism.
- 23 [09.32.58]
- 24 "3. Govern and arrange cadres and Party members throughout the
- 25 entire Party, along with all core organizations, by constantly,

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- 1 clearly, and closely grasping personal history, political,
- 2 ideological, and organizational stances and closely and
- 3 constantly arming them politically, ideologically, and
- 4 organizationally.
- 5 "4. Act in the name of the Party in contacts with all
- 6 brother-sister Marxist-Leninist parties."
- 7 I would like to end my quote of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.
- 8 I would like to refer to another document in relation to the book
- 9 written by Khieu Samphan, entitled "Cambodia's Recent History and
- 10 the Reasons Behind the Decisions I Made".
- 11 I do not have the document numbers with me; my apology for that
- 12 -- Document E4.23 (sic). And I would like to read one sentence of
- 13 the excerpts: ERN in Khmer, 00103883; ERN in English, 00103785;
- 14 in French, 00595497. So I would like now to read from the
- 15 excerpt.
- 16 [09.34.46]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 You may proceed.
- 19 MR. PICH ANG:
- 20 I would like to quote the book written by Mr. Khieu Samphan as
- 21 the following:
- 22 "However, if there's a thorough investigation, we can find the
- 23 Central Committee of the CPK cannot be compared to the Central
- 24 Committee of other party who was known in the world. As I wrote
- 25 in my open letter dated 16 of August 2001, this organization was

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- 1 not the Angkar of the leadership of the Party; it was just the
- 2 place where cadres can be trained ideology, politically,
- 3 especially to educate the secretary and the committee of the
- 4 Party who were responsible for zones, sectors, and army so that
- 5 they can learn well on political decision on behalf of the
- 6 Standing Committee. " End of quote.
- 7 I'm now finishing my presentation of documents, so I would like
- 8 to request that the Court allow my co-counsel to continue.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 11 [09.36.35]
- 12 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 13 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 14 morning, everyone. I will complete the presentation by the Civil
- 15 Party Lead Co-Lawyers.
- 16 A lot of documents have already been presented to the Chamber and
- 17 to the public. And as I said, I will restrict myself to 11
- 18 documents -- that is a very small number of documents. I will
- 19 limit myself solely to the central structure as mentioned in the
- 20 Closing Order.
- 21 And to start this presentation, I would like to refer to
- 22 statements made by Khieu Samphan and Nuon Chea.
- 23 A few years after the end of the regime, in 2006 and 2007,
- 24 journalists took statements from them. I will quote these
- 25 documents. These statements express Nuon Chea's and Khieu

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- 1 Samphan's vision of the central structure and their role within
- 2 that central structure.
- 3 [09.38.02]
- 4 The first document has the number E3/122. It is a series of notes
- 5 taken by Mr. Ea Meng-Try and Loeung Sopheak during their
- 6 interviews of Khieu Samphan and Nuon Chea on the 9th, 10th, and
- 7 11th of June 2006.
- 8 And, beginning with Mr. Khieu Samphan, this is what he stated in
- 9 this document E3/122. The ERN in French is 00613201, and the ERN
- 10 in Khmer is 00347033, and the ERN in English is 00000926. And
- 11 this is what he states -- and I quote: "Everyone made so many
- 12 errors. No one is perfect. We have to learn from our mistakes
- 13 then move to make a change. I also committed mistakes during my
- 14 time in power."
- 15 [09.39.14]
- 16 In the same document -- and the ERN in French is 00613204; ERN in
- 17 Khmer, 00347037; and the ERN in English, 00000929 -- Mr. Khieu
- 18 Samphan responds to the following question: "Who are, precisely,
- 19 members of the Central Committee?"
- 20 "There were eight persons. Members of the Committee met to take
- 21 specific decisions before referring them to the members of the
- 22 Central Committee, who came from every region and zone throughout
- 23 the country. I was a member of the Central Committee but I did
- 24 not have any -- I did not have control over any zone. The
- 25 Standing Committee members include Pol Pot, Secretary; Nuon Chea,

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- 1 Deputy Secretary; Ieng Sary; Son Sen; Ta Mok; Vorn Vet; and So
- 2 Phim."
- 3 In the same document and the ERN--
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Counsel, hold on. Now the defence counsel is on his feet.
- 6 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 7 [09.40.43]
- 8 MR. VERCKEN:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President. I am counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan. I
- 10 would like to state at this juncture that we challenge these
- 11 documents, which I note that were purportedly taken by a so
- 12 called journalist. We do not have any audio recording of that
- 13 interview. We have already made objections.
- 14 And I would comment by saying that I view this reading of the
- 15 notes without any possible objection as going beyond the limits.
- 16 I think we should do without them, Mr. President. That is what I
- 17 wanted to state.
- 18 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 19 May I respond, Mr. President, with your leave?
- 20 Let me point out that this document has already been tendered
- 21 into evidence and admitted as number E3/122.
- 22 [09.41.51]
- 23 May I also point out that Mr. Khieu Samphan may, as an accused
- 24 person, comment on these documents. But if I read the
- 25 instructions of the Chamber correctly, counsel for Khieu Samphan

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- 1 is not allowed to make comments at this point, and I see no point
- 2 -- I don't -- I think Mr. Khieu Samphan should be allowed to
- 3 comment on these notes, and the Chamber will assess the probative
- 4 value of these documents subsequently.
- 5 (Judges deliberate)
- 6 [09.43.46]
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 The objection by the defence counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan was
- 9 not well-founded.
- 10 The document has been indicated as E3, so the party can present
- 11 before the Chamber as the evidence in the proceeding for
- 12 presentation of documents before the Chamber.
- 13 And in the case of probative value or the weight of the evidence,
- 14 the Trial Chamber will consider this evidence when it makes the
- 15 decision in the judgement.
- 16 And the defence counsel for Khieu Samphan should not be on your
- 17 feet to object the presentation of the document by the other
- 18 party. And, in fact, the defence counsel and Mr. Khieu Samphan
- 19 have the right to make remarks under the ruling by the Trial
- 20 Chamber this week, and the defence counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan
- 21 said that his client will be -- remain silent, but, again, the
- 22 client can make remark after the presentation of the documents by
- 23 the party.
- 24 [09.45.43]
- 25 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may proceed.

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- 1 MR. IANUZZI:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President. I apologize; I seem to have lost a
- 3 button on my gown.
- 4 I would just like clarification of what you just said. Is the
- 5 Chamber's position that counsel may not object to anything that's
- 6 said here unless our clients submit to questioning or comment on
- 7 documents? Is that what you've just said? Because, again, it
- 8 wasn't clear to me.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 The opportunity to present the documents -- you have the right to
- 11 make remarks or a response in -- to the presentation of the other
- 12 party. The Trial Chamber reminded this right for the defence
- 13 counsels on the 10th of October 2012. The Trial Chamber is in --
- 14 seized of your request on this matter, but it seems that you
- 15 failed to listen to the proceedings on the 10 of October 2012 on
- 16 the reminding of the right of the Accused to make the remark or
- 17 comment on the document presented by the other parties. So you
- 18 should have looked at the transcript of the hearing of 10 October
- 19 2012 before the Trial Chamber gave the floor to the prosecutor to
- 20 present their documents. I think in those rulings the reminding
- 21 have complete content for your understanding.
- 22 [09.47.40]
- 23 MR. IANUZZI:
- 24 Thank you, Mr. President. Again, I was -- it seems to be me who
- 25 wasn't clear.

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- 1 My -- I understand -- I understand that the Accused will be given
- 2 an opportunity to make comments on documents if they so choose.
- 3 My question this morning was -- I apologize for grasping my neck
- 4 like this -- my question this morning was: Will counsel on this
- 5 side of the stage be forbidden from raising objections as my
- 6 colleague just tried to do, unless our clients avail themselves
- 7 of that opportunity? That's the way I understood your ruling.
- 8 Does that make sense? Is that clear? Is my question clear? That's
- 9 how I understood your ruling, Mr. President. That's why I'm on my
- 10 feet.
- 11 (Judges deliberate)
- 12 [09.52.27]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 The defence counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, please stand up.
- 15 The Trial Chamber reminds you that the defence counsel, including
- 16 the defence team, has the right to make comment or to make
- 17 objection to the documents presented by the other parties before
- 18 the Trial Chamber. However, you should not address the Court at
- 19 this time; you should wait until the other party has completed
- 20 their presentation and you should wait until your turn comes so
- 21 that you can make your comments, including the Accused -- he can
- 22 make comments.
- 23 [09.53.27]
- 24 In our experience, during our address to the Court -- and we ask
- 25 the Accused, but there is no reaction from the defence team in

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- 1 relation to the right to remain silent of your client. That is
- 2 why in the proceedings we instructed that, in the case the
- 3 defence team wished to make any contest or -- contest or
- 4 complaint, you can be on your feet to make the comment on the
- 5 presentation by the other party. So both sides can do so.
- 6 And on the other hand, the defence team -- when you present your
- 7 documents, the other party may have the right to make comments,
- 8 but not during the presentation of the parties -- of document.
- 9 And today you may have the floor to present your documents or
- 10 evidence in defence of your client under the law and you may
- 11 respond or comment to the document presented by the other
- 12 parties.
- 13 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President. I will try to press on with my
- 15 presentation of documents.
- 16 We're talking of document E3/122. The ERN is 00613205 in French,
- 17 and 00347039 in Khmer, 00000929 and 0930 in English. Mr. Khieu
- 18 Samphan states the following:
- 19 [09.55.41]
- 20 "I acknowledge that at the time we made many errors. But at the
- 21 same time we also did many good things for our country. In this
- 22 regard, to be correct, we should talk both good and bad of that
- 23 regime. Stop talking about killings, which is only one side of
- 24 the coin. If you want your country to gain independence and
- 25 freedom, you have to sacrifice something for your country. People

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- 1 should not have so much freedom. Political leaders have to
- 2 practise radical policy. If we did not proceed in that manner we
- 3 would have been dependent on the Vietnamese in all areas and in
- 4 all matters." End of quote.
- 5 In the same document, it is Mr. Nuon Chea who is then
- 6 interviewed, and he states the following. The ERN in French is
- 7 00613208; Khmer, 00347042 to 43; English, 00000932. This is what
- 8 Mr. Nuon Chea states:
- 9 [09.57.02]
- 10 "When I was in power, politics was good, but comrades and our
- 11 civil servants were not good. We did not have good bridges to
- 12 convey our good policies to the people, and that is the reason
- 13 why we failed, and that is the reason why we did not obtain our
- 14 objectives." End of quote.
- 15 The next -- the next -- the following question was posed:
- 16 "What measures did you take against comrades who were not good?"
- 17 Response: "I educated them. I corrected them. That was an
- 18 extremely difficult task."
- 19 Question: "What did you do precisely?"
- 20 "I educated them and I corrected them. I did not allow them to
- 21 continue carrying out their duties."
- 22 And further down in the same document -- the ERN in French is
- 23 00613210; Khmer, 00347046; and in English, 00000933 -- Mr. Nuon
- 24 Chea says the following: "In the final analysis, my plans failed,
- 25 which led to the weakening of my regime. Ultimately, I had to

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- 1 capitulate." End of quote.
- 2 [09.58.23]
- 3 Let me now present a second document, and it is the transcript of
- 4 an interview of Mr. Khieu Samphan by the "Voice of America" on
- 5 the 14th of November 2007, and the number is E3/204. In this
- 6 transcript of a radio interview, Mr. Khieu Samphan states the
- 7 following -- and the French ERN is 00656178; Khmer, 00424211; and
- 8 in English it is 00680033 -- and I quote:
- 9 "Well, regarding work, that is what happened before. And as time
- 10 went on, since 1975, Mr. Ieng Sary has been in charge of Foreign
- 11 Affairs in Democratic Kampuchea, and his responsibilities with
- 12 regard to Foreign Affairs -- he also discharged those functions
- 13 in the Party and the State. I, for my part, was Chairman of the
- 14 State Presidium and worked in Office 870. As you can see, in that
- 15 Office 870, my role was very specific."
- 16 [09.59.55]
- 17 And on the following page -- ERN 00656179 in French; in Khmer,
- 18 00424212; and in English, 00680034 -- Mr. Khieu Samphan adds --
- 19 and I quote:
- 20 "In this regard, I would like to tell you something. I have
- 21 already told you, haven't I, that Mr. Ieng Sary was in charge of
- 22 Foreign Affairs. As for me, I was in charge of my duties. As I
- 23 pointed out earlier, I was officially head of State. However, my
- 24 complete and daily duties were carried out in Office 870. Now,
- 25 regarding Office 870, as I pointed out to you, I pointed out what

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- 1 the principles were, didn't I?" End of quote.
- 2 I would now like to present a number of documents that have to do
- 3 with the position of certain intellectuals and diplomats who were
- 4 members of the structure prior to the 17th of April 1975. And
- 5 while examining these documents, I would like to see what became
- 6 of those persons in the structures following the 17th of April
- 7 1975.
- 8 I am referring to a document, D22/289. It is a civil party
- 9 application by Mr. Chau Khim. I will not read out an excerpt of
- 10 this statement by a civil party. By the way, I waived voluntarily
- 11 my right--
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Defence Counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary, you may proceed.
- 14 [10.02.08]
- 15 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 16 Mr. President, Your Honours, the Prosecutors, and colleagues, I
- 17 would like to come back to a number of points I addressed the
- 18 Court yesterday.
- 19 A while ago, the President just made the ruling: all documents
- 20 indicated as E3 can be used or read before the Court, and there
- 21 should be no objection. But the documents listed in the Lead Co
- 22 Lawyers for civil party -- but those documents bear no E3
- 23 document, so, based on this ruling, this document cannot be read.
- 24 Number 2, the President has just indicated that the defence teams
- 25 can make objection after the party have completed their reading,

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- 1 but my request yesterday was a request that not allow the party
- 2 to read. So, if the document has been read, the reading has been
- 3 completed, so how can we make our objection? Because those
- 4 documents has been read. Can we remove all the sound from the
- 5 system? Because it was read and they were been heard.
- 6 [10.03.48]
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 The Chamber has decided and made a ruling on your request
- 9 yesterday, so the Trial Chamber will not consider your request as
- 10 -- a second time.
- 11 And the Lead Co Lawyer for the civil party can proceed with her
- 12 presentation of the document based on the ruling yesterday by the
- 13 Trial Chamber. Counsel, you may proceed.
- 14 MR. IANUZZI:
- 15 Excuse me, Your Honour, I'm on my feet.
- 16 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 17 You are not granted leave to proceed with your objection.
- 18 And I would now give the floor to the Lead Co-Lawyer for the
- 19 civil party. You may continue.
- 20 MR. IANUZZI:
- 21 Why not? Why am I not--
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 You may now proceed.
- 24 [10.04.43]
- 25 MR. IANUZZI:

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- 1 (Microphone not activated)
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 You're not allowed to proceed.
- 4 Lead Co Lawyer, you may proceed.
- 5 This issue was ruled upon by the Chamber yesterday, and this is
- 6 not subject to be discussed now.
- 7 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 8 Thank you very much, Mr. President. I shall attempt to continue.
- 9 I was dealing with D22/289. It has not yet been attributed an E
- 10 number. This is indeed a civil party application. Once again, I
- 11 will not be reading any passages from this application.
- 12 Yesterday, I had withdrawn the written record of witness
- 13 interview of the elder brother of Mr. Chau Seng, as I indicated
- 14 yesterday.
- 15 [10.05.50]
- 16 I wish also to present D22/289.21. This is an annex of an
- 17 interview with the brother of Mr. Chau Seng. I submit this
- 18 document only to indicate that it contains an interview of Mr.
- 19 Chau Seng with the newspaper "L'Humanité". It is a Communist
- 20 French publication. He speaks on behalf of the United Front of
- 21 Kampuchea. He speaks as a representative of the FUNK Office.
- 22 I'll move on to an additional annex, which is attached to a civil
- 23 party application--
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Is there any issue, Defence Counsel?

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- 1 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 2 (Microphone not activated)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please activate your mic.
- 5 [10.07.01]
- 6 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 7 The document being presented by the Lead Co-Lawyer now is in
- 8 French. I was wondering whether or not the Khmer version of the
- 9 document is available. If so, please have it projected on the
- 10 screen.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Lead Co-Lawyer; please advise the Chamber and parties whether or
- 13 not the document's available in at least two languages.
- 14 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 15 The civil parties have made a request for a translation of all
- 16 civil party applications and their attachments. They have been
- 17 submitted to the ITU. Now, for reasons that are entirely
- 18 understandable, and stemming from the availability of resources,
- 19 this particular document is only available, for the time being,
- 20 in French. This is exactly why I shall not be reading into the
- 21 record any quotes or passages from these documents, so long as
- 22 the translations are not yet available.
- 23 (Judges deliberate)
- 24 [10.08.50]
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 Lead Co Lawyer, you may continue.
- 2 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 3 Thank you indeed, Mr. President. I wish now to move on to
- 4 D22/289.1 (sic). French ERN numbers are 00481462 to 00481463;
- 5 English ERNs are 00806052; ERN in Khmer, 00797532 to 33.
- 6 This is a letter that Mr. Chau Seng wrote to his wife in December
- 7 1975. It was a letter sent from Peking. He writes:
- 8 "My Beloved Wife,
- 9 "After a much needed siesta, in view of the incorrect schedules
- 10 in France, we went to welcome the first group of Cambodians
- 11 (approximately 40 [persons]) who are due to return to Phnom Penh
- 12 along with us.
- 13 "[...] The conference shall last until the end of the month.
- 14 Ambassadors shall be returning to their posts, and we will get a
- 15 better view of the situation.
- 16 "[...] Maintain your revolutionary optimism. Remain positive
- 17 because you will see that everything will be fine."
- 18 [10.10.43]
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 There is no translation because you seem to speak too fast, and I
- 21 would like to ask you to repeat what you have just said, at least
- 22 in the last few sentences.
- 23 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 24 Yes, of course, Mr. President. I shall repeat the middle
- 25 paragraph of the letter. This gentleman writes: "The conference

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- 1 shall last until the end of the month. Ambassadors are expected
- 2 to return to their stations, and we will have a better picture
- 3 then."
- 4 He writes further on in the letter, on the same ERN pages that I
- 5 identified: "Always carry the spirit of revolutionary optimism;
- 6 it takes care of many things. You must be optimistic and positive
- 7 because, as you will see, everything will be fine for us and for
- 8 everyone!"
- 9 I wish now to present a document that is classified under
- 10 D22/289.14. This document is a partial list of Cambodians who
- 11 were repatriated from foreign countries and sent back to
- 12 Democratic Kampuchea between 1975 and 1976. This is only a
- 13 partial list. That was compiled by the Documentation Centre of
- 14 Cambodia. I simply want to make mention of this document and
- inform you that it is comprised of some 232 names.
- 16 [10.12.56]
- 17 I see that my esteemed colleague is on his feet.
- 18 MR. VERCKEN:
- 19 Yes, very quickly, Mr. President. I do not see the link between
- 20 the subject of the current hearing and the presentation of the
- 21 documents that are being presented by my learned friend.
- 22 Perhaps she can elucidate this Chamber and tell us exactly how
- 23 these documents are related to the framework that you have
- 24 defined as the subject of this hearing.
- 25 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:

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- 1 As I stated earlier, these are directly relevant to the central
- 2 structures and pertain to those who worked within the structures
- 3 before 1975 as well as after April 1975. These individuals have
- 4 resided at Boeng Trabek, which is an area covered by the Closing
- 5 Order and which is part of the structure that we are concerned
- 6 with.
- 7 May I please continue, Mr. President?
- 8 MR. VERCKEN:
- 9 Not only are we uncertain as to whether or not these individuals
- 10 worked within the administration, but as far as I'm concerned, my
- 11 learned friend is seeking to satiate some unknown desire to
- 12 achieve something else, and that is lost on me.
- 13 [10.14.45]
- 14 I don't understand the relevance of the lists that have just been
- 15 quoted or the documents that are purportedly relevant to
- 16 administrative structures. I simply do not understand my learned
- 17 colleague's explanations.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 International Lead Co-Lawyer, you may continue your presentation.
- 20 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 21 Thank you very much, President.
- $^{22}$  I wish now to refer to Mr. Ouk Ket, who served as an ambassador
- 23 prior to 1975 and who returned to Democratic Kampuchea following
- 24 1975.
- 25 Now, without quoting any passages, I would simply refer to the

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- 1 civil party statement of his wife, classified under D22/44.
- 2 [10.14.50]
- 3 Once again, I will not be seeking the submission of the civil --
- 4 or the written record of witness interview, but I would simply
- 5 point out that D22/44.11 contains a letter from the Khmer Embassy
- in Beijing requesting Mr. Ouk Ket to come back.
- 7 The ERN French numbers are 00338993; ERN in Khmer are 00281227;
- 8 in English they are 00326564. This is a letter addressed to a
- 9 certain number of ambassadors in 1977. It reads as follows:
- 10 "To the Beloved Comrade in charge of the Embassy of Democratic
- 11 Kampuchea in Senegal,
- 12 "In accordance with the instructions from Ministry of Foreign
- 13 Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea, I wish to provide you the
- 14 following information:
- 15 "[...] Ministry has decided that Comrade must return to the
- 16 country. You must prepare your travel upon receipt of this
- 17 letter.
- 18 "2. As for Comrade's wife, request that she wait for you. You may
- 19 have her stay with her parents.
- 20 "3. As for the Embassy premises, we have requested the Chinese
- 21 Embassy to assist in maintaining and supervising the property for
- 22 us. Comrade, request further to inform the Chinese Embassy.
- 23 "4. The government invites you back to the country for education
- 24 and study in order to achieve tasks."
- 25 [10.18.11]

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- 1 I now refer to D22/44.13. This is also listed under Annex 13. It
- 2 is a list of prisoners who were executed on the 9th of December
- 3 1977. The French ERN numbers are 00339169; French or, rather,
- 4 Khmer ERN numbers are 00281230; ERN in English are 00328268. We
- 5 find Mr. Ouk Ket's name under Listing 33.
- 6 To conclude this subject, I also wish to refer to D22/289.17.
- 7 This is a list of Cambodian nationals living abroad and who were
- 8 executed at Tuol Sleng between April 1975 to January 1979. It is
- 9 attached to the civil party application, and is also contained in
- 10 the book of Mr. Ong Thong Hoeung.
- 11 I shall conclude this presentation of documents with the final
- 12 document, E3/200. This document was referred to by Madam
- 13 Prosecutor yesterday. It is a transcript of a speech delivered by
- 14 Mr. Khieu Samphan during a commemorative meeting to celebrate the
- 15 capture of Phnom Penh by the Khmer Rouge.
- 16 [10.20.30]
- 17 I shall end my presentation of documents by quoting Mr. Khieu
- 18 Samphan, who speaks in his capacity as President of the State
- 19 Presidium of Democratic Kampuchea, and he talks about the
- 20 previous years. The passage can be found on French ERN pages
- 21 00612165, on Khmer page 00292804, and on English ERN page
- 22 S00004164. Mr. Khieu Samphan states the following-- (No
- 23 interpretation)
- 24 MR. IANUZZI:
- 25 Excuse me, we're not getting the translation, Mr. President.

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- 1 We're not getting the English translation. I apologize for
- 2 interrupting.
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Court officer is instructed to contact the interpretation booth.
- 5 (Short pause, technical problem)
- 6 [10.23.11]
- 7 Counsel, you may proceed, but you are reminded to slow down a
- 8 bit, because when you are reading from the written materials, the
- 9 interpreters have to locate the document.
- 10 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 11 Yes, of course, Mr. President. I convey my apologies.
- 12 "Today, after having driven out all American Imperialists and
- 13 their lackeys, our workers, our peasants, and our Revolutionary
- 14 Army have become the indisputable masters of our country and
- 15 administration. During the past two years, under the correct and
- 16 clear-sighted leadership of our revolutionary organization, our
- 17 workers, peasants, and Revolutionary Army have scored many other
- 18 great achievements, especially those which clearly attest to our
- 19 great capability, both in the field of defending our country and
- 20 administration and in the domain of comprehensive national
- 21 rehabilitation and reconstruction based on the principles of
- 22 independence and self-reliance."
- 23 [10.24.58]
- 24 On the following page, Mr. Khieu Samphan talks about enemies.
- 25 However, I will not repeat that particular passage that was

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- 1 already presented by the prosecutor.
- 2 That, Mr. President, brings me to the conclusion of my
- 3 presentation. I thank you.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 The time is now appropriate for an adjournment. We will adjourn
- 7 now until 10 to 11.00.
- 8 THE GREFFIER:
- 9 (No interpretation)
- 10 (Court recesses from 1025H to 1054H)
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Please be seated. The Trial Chamber is back in session.
- 13 And next the floor is given to the defence team for Mr. Nuon Chea
- 14 so that they can present the document before the Trial Chamber.
- 15 Counsel, hold on.
- 16 (Judges deliberate)
- 17 [10.56.02]
- 18 International Defence Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, the Chamber
- 19 would like to inform you that the request to submit document
- 20 E119.1.3 (sic) -- we're not yet decided to make a decision on
- 21 summoning the witness to testify. So, regarding this expert
- 22 witness, the Trial Chamber will consider and make decision in due
- 23 course.
- 24 And document E/9 (sic), books by Philip Short, the Trial Chamber
- 25 plans to summon him to testify next year, and this document the

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- 1 Trial Chamber does not allow now allow you to present this
- 2 document at this time. So, we should wait until the completion of
- 3 this witness, and then we can move on.
- 4 MR. IANUZZI:
- 5 Thank you, Mr. President. I have been trying, upon very good
- 6 advice, to be as amable as possible. However, this is the very
- 7 first time I've ever heard this. Such conditions were never
- 8 placed on these documents. We were told we could present any
- 9 document we felt was relevant to this stage of the proceedings.
- 10 So, to be told now, at 11 a.m., two minutes before I'm about to
- 11 begin my presentation which, I might add, centred on those very
- 12 two documents you just mentioned I find that remarkable -
- 13 remarkable, to say the least. And I'll leave it at that.
- 14 [10.58.02]
- 15 What where are you coming from, Mr. President? Why weren't
- 16 these indications given to the parties ages ago? This is exactly
- 17 what I meant--
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 The Trial Chamber advised you earlier and also mentioned the
- 20 ground that you would hold the two documents for the moment.
- 21 The reason is that we we will not repeat the ground. And the
- 22 opportunity to present documents -- the Trial Chamber will give
- 23 you another opportunity, especially on the schedule to hear the
- 24 witness who will come to testify on the document, in case of Mr.
- 25 Philip Short.

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- 1 And Mr. Stephen Heder has not been yet decided on summoning him
- 2 to come to testify. However, the Trial Chamber will give
- 3 opportunity to the parties to present the documents in relation
- 4 to their books, or their essays, or their documents in an
- 5 appropriate time.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 Thank you, Mr. President. I obviously have a few questions about
- 8 that.
- 9 [10.59.33]
- 10 First of all, I would just like to state for the record, I
- 11 would like to make my record. There were three documents that I
- 12 intended to discuss today: E I repeat that E190.1.398; E -
- and again I repeat that E3/1568; and E3/9. So, those documents
- 14 all have E numbers; they've all been on this Trial Chamber's case
- 15 file for a long time for a long time.
- 16 And the indications that you made today are being made, as I've
- 17 said, for the very first time today, at 11 a.m., the second -
- 18 excuse me, the third day of the document hearing. I find this
- 19 practice strange. I find it to our detriment. We have spent
- 20 considerable amount of time preparing for the hearing based on
- 21 your--
- 22 [11.00.40]
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 I now hand over to Judge Jean-Marc Lavergne to clarify this.
- 25 JUDGE LAVERGNE:

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- 1 Counsel Ianuzzi, the Trial Chamber does not wish to counter your
- 2 rights to admit documents that you deem relevant. We are simply
- 3 saying that this is not the juncture at which you are permitted
- 4 to do so.
- 5 The Judges are responsible for the conduct of these proceedings.
- 6 We have decided that when the experts shall provide testimony, a
- 7 decision will have been issued with respect to the appearance of
- 8 Mr. Stephen Heder.
- 9 I believe that it is inopportune on your part to make such
- 10 comments.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 MR. IANUZZI:
- 13 Thank you, Judge Lavergne.
- 14 [11.01.42]
- 15 So, if we could just continue this conversation for a moment,
- 16 just so I have it clearly in my mind, what you're telling me is
- 17 that the Philip Short document cannot be discussed now; it can be
- 18 discussed if and when Philip Short appears before the Chamber. Do
- 19 I have that correct?
- 20 Okay. Thank you.
- 21 The next document is a document in sorry.
- 22 (Short pause)
- 23 My second document my second document is an interview conducted
- 24 by Ben Kiernan with Chea Sim and Heng Samrin. Am I to understand
- 25 that that document cannot be discussed unless and until Ben

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- 1 Kiernan appears for testimony? Or may I may I go ahead with
- 2 that document, E3/1568?
- 3 Judge Cartwright, I'm just trying to get some clarification. I -
- 4 really, honestly, that's all.
- 5 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 6 Counsel Ianuzzi, the Trial Chamber has referred to two documents.
- 7 The first is the publication written by Mr. Philip Short. Mr.
- 8 Philip Short is amongst the an expert who is supposed to be
- 9 heard shortly, presumably at the start of next year. Therefore,
- 10 you will have the opportunity to present these documents during
- 11 the summoning-- or the appearance of Mr. Philip Short.
- 12 [11.03.17]
- 13 The second document that we are concerned with is a Stephen Heder
- 14 publication. He is also on the witness list, and no decision has
- 15 been taken. Those are the only two sole documents that we have
- 16 referred to, and there is no objection for you to present those
- 17 documents during the future hearings. You may only present
- 18 documents that are relevant to the current proceedings.
- 19 MR. IANUZZI:
- 20 Thank you again, Judge Lavergne. I think we're almost there.
- 21 I have one more question, and this relates to the Heder document.
- 22 Am I to understand what you've just said to mean that if Mr.
- 23 Heder does not appear as a witness before this Chamber, then
- 24 there will be no discussion of his document? I see heads are
- 25 nodding in agreement or shaking in the opposite (unintelligible).

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- 1 Is that correct? I can only -- we, the Nuon Chea defence team,
- 2 can only make use of this particular article if Stephen Heder
- 3 appears before the Chamber.
- 4 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 5 No.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 No, no, okay. Then, obviously, I need further clarification.
- 8 Thank you.
- 9 [11.04.40]
- 10 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 11 Very well. With respect to documents written by Mr. Stephen
- 12 Heder, now, either Stephen Heder is summoned before this Chamber,
- 13 then the documents can be entertained; and if the Chamber does
- 14 not hear that expert, then there will be another opportunity to
- 15 contemplate whether or not those documents will be admitted. I
- 16 hope that things are crystal clear, Counsel.
- 17 MR. IANUZZI:
- 18 Indeed, they are now crystal clear. Thank you.
- 19 Well, then, my presentation, as it were, will be very brief. I
- 20 have one document to present to the Chamber today.
- 21 And before I begin, I would like to make some general comments --
- 22 some general comments to frame the issue, to sort of set the
- 23 stage, as I believe Mr. Raynor said the other day. So, before I
- 24 begin, I would just like to reiterate our position -- reiterate
- 25 our position -- now a well-established one, I would say --

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- 1 regarding the scope of these proceedings.
- 2 [11.05.56]
- 3 And we do accept, as we must -- we do accept that much of the
- 4 proceedings in Case 002 as it's currently constituted relate to
- 5 matters not directly relevant to the factual allegations with
- 6 respect to the first two movements of the population and the
- 7 recently added crime site of Tuol Po Chrey.
- 8 And we further understand -- we further understand that the
- 9 rationale for this is to lay a foundation, as it were, for future
- 10 truncated trials in Case 002 -- within Case 002 -- at least,
- 11 that's the theory.
- 12 And I just wanted to say, on that point, we register our full
- 13 agreement with what Mr. Cayley said on that issue the last time
- 14 he was in Court, that that will never, ever happen. But I will
- 15 not belabour that point today.
- 16 Again, as to the alleged CPK administrative and related
- 17 structures, we should focus, then -- we really should focus on
- 18 the time periods that are relevant to the underlying factual
- 19 allegations. So, of course, CPK administrative structures are
- 20 relevant, obviously, that's true, but those structures are
- 21 relevant within the period -- and possibly shortly before and
- 22 shortly after the period -- the factual period that you,
- 23 yourselves, have set as the basis of this trial. And I'm
- 24 referring, obviously, to the first two population movements and
- 25 the newly added -- the newly added crime base at Tuol Po Chrey.

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- 1 So I'd just like to say that.
- 2 [11.07.36]
- 3 I was going to make some comments about -- some introductory
- 4 comments about the length of the documents I was going to submit.
- 5 Obviously, that's that's not necessary now. I'm not permitted
- 6 to deal with those documents today. I understand I may be able to
- 7 do that at a later stage. So I will just say that with respect to
- 8 the single document that I will be presenting, I urge Your
- 9 Honours to read the entire document, obviously, not just the
- 10 portions that I'm quoting from. And that, of course, is for the
- 11 sake of completeness.
- 12 So I will turn now to this document. And again, for the record,
- 13 this is E3/1568 and that is a written record of a series of
- 14 interviews conducted by Ben Kiernan with two individuals, Chea
- 15 Sim and Heng Samrin. There are two brief portions of that
- 16 document that I would like to read out. And I will begin and I
- 17 will do this very, very slowly because I did not provide copies
- 18 of these documents in advance or, excuse me, I didn't pin point
- 19 in advance for the sake of the translators, so I will go very
- 20 slowly.
- 21 [11.08.45]
- 22 I'm now referring to ERN English, 00651878, and that's through
- 23 0065187 80 -- excuse me, 80; the Khmer the corresponding
- 24 Khmer ERNs for that portion, 00713945 through 48; and the
- 25 corresponding French, 00743349 through 51. And so just let me

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- 1 begin again at English 00651878. I'm at the bottom of the page,
- 2 and this is a portion of the interview with Mr. Heng Samrin: "At
- 3 that time -- at that time--" Excuse me.
- 4 "At that time I was still with Son Sen. And Son Sen had meetings,
- 5 divided us into groups. I took part in activities with Son Sen.
- 6 Then, after three months in Phnom Penh here following liberation,
- 7 I was sent back to the East. Then, after I got back to the East,
- 8 Division 1 was totally destroyed and" -- this is in parentheses,
- 9 I'm not sure what that means, what the author intended that to
- 10 mean; in parentheses -- "(its personnel) arrested. If I was still
- 11 in that division, I don't know what would have become of me. And
- 12 it was this 1st Division that Pol Pot praised highly in the
- 13 fighting."
- 14 That is the division that Heng Samrin was part of.
- 15 [11.10.34]
- 16 "There was only this division that [far hard] -- fought hard,"
- 17 excuse me, "and drove deeply [unclear] in the highway 1 Region
- 18 and along the Mekong River [unclear] right to the boarder and was
- 19 very active. The liberation of Neak Loeung involved this
- 20 division, and my" -- "my" referring to Heng Samrin -- "126th
- 21 regiment fought, liberate Neak Loeung from East and West and on
- 22 the water to liberate it on the 1st of April 1975. It was me" --
- 23 Heng Samrin -- "who liberated Neak Loeung from the East and the
- 24 West. Then I was ordered" excuse me "to send my troops to go
- 25 and fight into Phnom Penh, but fighting into Phnom Penh did not

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- 1 involve strong fighting, the [unclear Khmer words] (Lon Nol
- 2 soldiers) rallied to us and let the troops go through at that
- 3 time.
- 4 "On 17 April at 9 a.m., I arrived at the Independence Monument.
- 5 After liberation there was a division of responsibility among
- 6 three divisions from the East. There was my 1st Division, my
- 7 younger brother's 2nd Division, and Chhieu" -- C-h-h-i-e-u -
- 8 "Chhieu's 3rd Division, who fought up to Chrouy Changva with the
- 9 marines. The 2nd Division fought its way up to opposite [unclear
- 10 Khmer words], and this 1st Division along Highway 1 and the road
- 11 from Takhmau into Phnom Penh. There were the three thrusts from
- 12 the East."
- 13 [11.12.27]
- 14 Moving on -- and I'm now on 00651880, and that's the same range
- 15 I've already read out -- quoting again: "Then, after staying
- 16 three months, they had my division leave, the division command to
- 17 Chbar Ampov and the troops to Preaek Aeng."
- 18 Skipping a bit -- I'm still on that same page:
- 19 "In that three months, I" -- this is still Heng Samrin -- "I did
- 20 a lot of work. Immediately after liberation, there was a meeting
- 21 in order to receive the plan distributed [unclear Khmer words]
- 22 from the Centre... it was for the whole country, not just one
- 23 division. It included both military and civil (officials). At
- 24 that time, all zones from throughout the country came to the
- 25 meeting to receive the plan from the Centre, Pol Pot. It was on

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1 20 May, which he have fixed as the Day of Hatred, the day the Pol

- 2 Pot plan was fixed to distribute generally to implement the
- 3 political plan inside and outside the country as the time Pol Pot
- 4 announced it, so we took 20 May as the Day of Hatred, as his
- 5 [unclear]."
- 6 [11.13.44]
- 7 One more passage from this series of interviews, and then I'll be
- 8 quite finished. This is English it's the same document --
- 9 E3/1568, English ERN 00651884, Khmer ERN 00713955, French ERN
- 10 00743356. And again, for the record, this is that very same
- 11 interview with Ben Kiernan and Mr. Heng Samrin, and at this stage
- 12 they're discussing a meeting, a meeting that apparently took
- 13 place in Phnom Penh on the 20th of May 1975. I'm quoting now:
- 14 "They didn't say 'kill' (the Lon Nol leaders). They said [unclear
- 15 Khmer words]. Don't allow them to remain in the framework. It
- doesn't mean 'smash'. Nuon Chea used this phrase [phrase]."
- 17 Excuse me.
- 18 "'Komtec' -- and that is an English transliteration of a Khmer
- 19 word, I assume 'Komtec" means 'kill', but they used a general
- 20 word, 'komchat'." Again, I assume, a transliteration of a Khmer
- 21 word into English. "Nuon Chea talked of wiping out markets, not
- 22 allowing money. If there were markets and money, there was
- 23 property. The important heavy pressure was against property. If
- 24 there was money there were markets, and if there were markets
- 25 there would be people with money, and these people would have

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- 1 property. So they wanted to wipe out property. Not allow private
- 2 property to exist."
- 3 [11.15.28]
- 4 So, again, perhaps just to emphasize, let me rephrase that
- 5 "komtec" means kill, but they used a general word, "komchat". And
- 6 I assume I hope everyone on the stage and, perhaps, people who
- 7 have been following the trial will immediately be reminded of an
- 8 exchange between my colleague, Mr. Pauw, and expert witness David
- 9 Chandler on this very point. So, this is something that,
- 10 obviously, has come up already. It's an important issue, from our
- 11 perspective.
- 12 And it's the last thing that I will quote, I believe; I have
- 13 nothing more there.
- 14 Just a few general comments, then, to wrap up -- just a few
- 15 general comments. And I will refrain -- I will absolutely refrain
- 16 from characterizing the bits of evidence that I've just read, but
- 17 I would like to say very briefly -- and this goes to the limits
- 18 of the OCIJ's investigation -- I was not in a position today to
- 19 draw from the trove of material which -- as I'm listening to
- 20 myself, I realize now this is going to make very little sense,
- 21 since I was not allowed to quote from the other two documents.
- 22 The point I wanted to make the point I intended to make with
- 23 the two documents that I was not allowed to quote from was that
- 24 there was a great deal a great deal, according to two experts
- 25 -- an incredible deal of autonomy at the mid and lower levels -

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- 1 the mid and lower--
- 2 I see my friend is on his feet; I'm going to stop talking now.
- 3 [11.17.05]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Prosecutor, you may proceed.
- 6 MR. RAYNOR:
- 7 Mr. President, we've taken a fairly relaxed approach to this
- 8 document presentation generally, but when my learned friend is
- 9 seeking to explain the relevance of points raised in documents
- 10 that are not before the Chamber, it's really, simply, just trying
- 11 to get the content of those two documents before the Chamber in
- 12 circumstances where you've ruled that they're not relevant and
- 13 admissible at this stage. So, let's not have points coming
- 14 through the back door, please.
- 15 [11.17.50]
- 16 MR. IANUZZI:
- 17 I will follow the lead of my friend from yesterday and take the
- 18 point as well noted. I'm certainly glad that he articulated at
- 19 least what I was trying to do -- what I had hoped to do during
- 20 this document hearing -- during this document hearing on CPK
- 21 structures. However, I will have to do that at a later stage, as
- 22 I understand it at a later stage.
- 23 So, just coming to my last point -- and this clearly relates to
- 24 the discussion that we've been having -- it's very important for
- 25 us it's very important for us, for our outstanding witness

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- 1 requests and, as Judge Lavergne noted, one of those includes
- 2 the request to hear Mr. Stephen Heder. Of course, it also it
- 3 also includes a request to hear Mr. Heng Samrin.
- 4 Now, there's been a certain exchange between the Chamber and our
- 5 side about what's happening. It's quite unclear to us; we haven't
- 6 received any reasons. It seems that a lot of our witnesses have
- 7 been rejected -- it certainly seems to us that many of our
- 8 witnesses have been rejected. We haven't received any reasoned
- 9 ruling on that issue, and I just assume that it's perhaps
- 10 forthcoming. It's it's been quite a long time now.
- 11 [11.19.03]
- 12 What I would like to note and, Mr. President, before you tell
- 13 me to put it writing, I would just like to emphasize that a
- 14 written motion is indeed on its way -- a written motion from our
- 15 team -- and I'm simply highlighting this issue for the benefit of
- 16 the public, many of whom, as I'm sure you know I'm sure you
- 17 know -- do not read Court filings or have access to the Internet.
- 18 So, again, let me just say that there are many witnesses that we
- 19 would like to hear in this in this trial, and we've made the
- 20 request, and we've made it many times, and we've made it in
- 21 writing, and we've given reasoned-
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 You understand that the Trial Chamber gave you the opportunity to
- 24 present the documents relevant to the facts on the structure of
- 25 CPK. You use your right beyond the scope of the proceeding

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- 1 decided by the Trial Chamber. The Trial Chamber will not allow
- 2 you to go ahead with this kind of statement.
- 3 Your request and other requests to the Trial Chamber the Trial
- 4 Chamber will consider and rule on that in due course. And the
- 5 Internal Rules does not specify the time period for the Trial
- 6 Chamber to make any ruling on this case. So the Trial Chamber
- 7 will consider the request in due course, based on your request
- 8 and other parties' request. And those requests were decided and
- 9 ruled upon since 2011 until now.
- 10 The Trial Chamber hopes that the defence team follow the schedule
- and the framework for each segment of the hearing.
- 12 [11.21.31]
- 13 MR. IANUZZI:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President. As I said, we are working on that
- 15 written motion and we will file that in due course.
- 16 I would just like to say for the record that I do not agree that
- 17 you gave me the opportunity to discuss the communication
- 18 structure and the administrative structure. I told you a week ago
- 19 I told Your Chamber a week ago that I intended to use those
- 20 documents; and, again, you didn't tell me until today that I
- 21 wouldn't be allowed. I'll leave it at that.
- 22 And, again, in terms of going off script -- I know this Chamber
- 23 likes to follow a script, I know this Chamber would prefer to
- 24 have a trial by script, a short trial of sorts, but that's just
- 25 not how things work. Issues come up-

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 It seems that you conclude you don't have any other document to
- 3 present before the Chamber. So, if you don't have any other
- 4 document, the Trial Chamber will not allow you to make any
- 5 further statement on that.
- 6 [11.22.38]
- 7 MR. IANUZZI:
- 8 Thank you, Mr. President. I have just one (recording malfunction)
- 9 to say, just to conclude--
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Your presentation of document has been completed. So, you need to
- 12 present documents if you have.
- 13 MR. IANUZZI:
- 14 We have a client in this courtroom, as I'm sure you're aware. Mr.
- 15 Nuon Chea is our client. And what I wanted to say what I wanted
- 16 to say my last point was that, based on what's transpired, he
- 17 will not be taking you up on your offer to comment on documents.
- 18 So, thank you very much. That's all I have to say, in fact.
- 19 [11.23.40]
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 The Trial Chamber reminds you that the right to make comment or
- 22 respond to the document presented by the parties, including the
- 23 defence team for the two Accused -- the Accused indicated that
- 24 they remain they reserve the right to remain silent on the 10
- 25 of October 2012.

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- 1 And the Trial Chamber always gives an opportunity to make comment
- 2 by the Accused on the documents presented before the Chamber, and
- 3 the Accused can raise his hand to make an address to the Court,
- 4 but in relation or in response to the documents presented by the
- 5 parties only.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 8 I have one new matter one incredibly new matter. I was I was
- 9 just informed I was just informed that the OCP, on the 10th of
- 10 October, was permitted to make some use of a Steve Heder
- 11 document. I will check the transcripts and confirm that and I
- 12 will get back to your Chamber.
- 13 [11.25.26]
- 14 If that is in fact the case -- and I'm just putting it as a
- 15 possibility, at the moment I don't have my notes in front of me
- 16 -- if that is in fact the case, if the OCP was in fact allowed to
- 17 make some use of material generated by Mr. Steve Heder -- and I'm
- 18 not saying conclusively they have, I will get back to you -- but
- 19 if that is the case, then I will strenuously object to my
- 20 treatment today in Court. And I will get back to you on that.
- 21 And Mr. Nuon Chea? Nothing from our client, he has confirmed; no
- 22 comments.
- 23 Thank you.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 The Trial Chamber will not consider your assumption. And we

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- 1 indicate that we will give you an opportunity at any time to
- 2 present the document before the Trial Chamber. And the Chamber
- 3 does not prohibit you from doing so, because the two expert
- 4 witnesses will be summoned to testify in the proceeding in the
- 5 future, especially in Case 002/01.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 If you would perhaps consult page 16 of the draft trial
- 9 transcript from 10 October, you may find an answer there. Thank
- 10 you very much.
- 11 (Judges deliberate)
- 12 [11.27.50]
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Judge Cartwright, you may proceed.
- 15 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 16 Thank you, President.
- 17 Mr. Prosecutor, there has been a reference an oblique reference
- 18 to a document involving the potential witness Steve Heder. Do you
- 19 know to what document that reference was? And if so, could you
- 20 give it to the Trial Chamber -- the reference now to the Trial
- 21 Chamber so that it can consider this matter over the lunch
- 22 adjournment?
- 23 MR. RAYNOR:
- 24 Your Honour, can I say that I'm actually at the draft
- 25 transcripts, at the moment, for that date, the 16th of October.

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- 1 I'll just be checking that page reference to page 16. And can I
- 2 revert back to you as soon as I've got that document, please?
- 3 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 4 Yes, I that would be helpful. Thank you.
- 5 MR. IANUZZI:
- 6 I've got a bit more information. I believe it's documents E3/27--
- 7 [11.29.02]
- 8 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 9 It's it's all right, thank you. The prosecutor will inform us.
- 10 MR. IANUZZI:
- 11 Thank you. Thank you.
- 12 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 13 Thank you very much for being so very extendedly helpful.
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Next, I now hand over to the defence team for Mr. Ieng Sary to
- 16 put the documents before the Chamber in relation to the
- 17 administrative structure of the Democratic Kampuchea. You may
- 18 proceed.
- 19 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 20 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, and good
- 21 morning to everyone. The defence team for Mr. Ieng Sary does not
- 22 have any particular document to put before the Chamber, but we
- 23 have a few observations to make at this stage of the proceeding.
- 24 I am wondering whether or not I will be granted leave to make
- 25 this observation now or anytime during the proceedings. Please

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- 1 advise.
- 2 [11.30.10]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 You may proceed. You may make any observation in response to the
- 5 documents presented by other parties before the Chamber.
- 6 And you have to be specific when you make such an observation.
- 7 Particularly, you have to make mention, as clearly as possible,
- 8 the document number and references. You're not allowed to make a
- 9 general observation.
- 10 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President, for the advice.
- 12 I still have some issues which I need clarification. I actually
- 13 need the clarification from the Prosecution. And listened to his
- 14 clarification, and following the explanation -- clarification by
- 15 the Prosecution, I do not have any comment.
- 16 (Short pause)
- 17 [11.31.38]
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 How about the defence team for Mr. Khieu Samphan? Do you have
- 20 anything to say, particularly if you have any documents you want
- 21 to put before the Chamber? If you do, please proceed.
- 22 MR. VERCKEN:
- 23 Thank you, Mr. President. In fact, I want to place myself in the
- 24 shoes of the members of the public here present who must be
- 25 wondering what is happening, what we are talking about.

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- 1 The problem, as far as Mr. Khieu Samphan's defence is concerned,
- 2 is that for the past two days we have been expelled from the
- 3 proceedings. In fact, Mr. President, what we have before us over
- 4 the past two days has been a press conference, and that is why
- 5 the defence for Khieu Samphan refuses to participate in this
- 6 press conference.
- 7 We were informed by an announcement before these two days of
- 8 hearings that the proceedings will not focus on the admissibility
- 9 of documents that will be presented by the parties, and even less
- 10 so on their probative value. That is what we were told. And this
- 11 is how the previous hearing unfolded.
- 12 [11.33.15]
- 13 A while ago, Mr. President, you stated that parties could react
- 14 to documents.
- 15 MR. PICH ANG:
- 16 (No interpretation)
- 17 MR. VERCKEN:
- 18 Perhaps my learned friend would like to make a submission, but I
- 19 haven't completed my submissions, Mr. President. May I be allowed
- 20 to do so?
- 21 Mr. President, you pointed out a while ago that we could react to
- 22 the documents, but the problem we face is that we could not react
- 23 in a split second to dozens and dozens of documents presented by
- 24 the parties in what we consider as a press conference. And we
- 25 were told previously that we would not be allowed to react, and

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- 1 we were also told in advance that we would not have to discuss
- 2 the admissibility of documents or their probative value.
- 3 That said and in that regard, even though a few minutes ago, Mr.
- 4 President and this is how we understood your statement you
- 5 amended rules governing these hearings, we were not prepared for
- 6 that, and so we were not expecting to be asked to react to
- 7 documents presented by the parties.
- 8 You must have observed, by the way, that over the past two days
- 9 of hearings the only reactions that came from our side were
- 10 purely technical, when the prosecutor used general terms to
- 11 describe documents that they used, whereas the terms of those
- 12 documents were more specific.
- 13 [11.35.12]
- 14 Now, the defence for Khieu Samphan does not intend to participate
- 15 any further in such a press conference, because we are not in a
- 16 trial, we are in a process in which the rights of the Accused are
- 17 not respected. And so we do not intend to participate therein.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 The National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties, you may
- 20 proceed.
- 21 MR. PICH ANG:
- 22 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours and
- 23 everyone. I am afraid that my intervention now might be belated.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Well, since it is belated, it is not appropriate. Then you do not

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- 1 have to proceed.
- 2 MR. PICH ANG:
- 3 (No interpretation)
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 You are not granted the floor to make this observation.
- 6 And, International Counsel for Nuon Chea, you are not granted
- 7 permission to make these observations because the matter has
- 8 already been dealt with.
- 9 How about the National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil party?
- 10 [11.36.26]
- 11 MR. PICH ANG:
- 12 (No interpretation)
- 13 MR. IANUZZI:
- 14 Why not? Why not? There's a new matter on the floor.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Your time was up. So, the parties have already exchanged their
- 17 observations already, so you are not granted the floor to discuss
- 18 this matter anymore, because we allotted the time for you, so you
- 19 have already finished your part in putting the document before
- 20 the Chamber.
- 21 I now give the floor to the National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil
- 22 party. You may proceed.
- 23 Now the National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties -- and he
- 24 mentioned that he was it was rather late for him to make this
- 25 submission, and I mentioned that if it was too late, then he need

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- 1 not make any observation. But if he had anything to say, you may
- 2 proceed.
- 3 [11.37.41]
- 4 MR. PICH ANG:
- 5 Even if -- it is belated but it is very crucial for members of
- 6 the public at large. The purpose of the last two days hearing is
- 7 that, first, we want to put the documents before the Chamber, and
- 8 those documents are evidentiary documents which which are very
- 9 important. They contain substantive information for members of
- 10 the public and in the future they may become in the public
- 11 domain. So we will have to make it clear; we cannot say that the
- 12 last two days hearing is not of use.
- 13 And I would also like to respond to the observation made by the
- 14 defence team for Mr. Ieng Sary. He were, of course, granted leave
- 15 by the Chamber to make specific comment on certain documents
- 16 presented by other parties.
- 17 And Mr. Vercken mentioned that the observation had to be in a
- 18 general nature simply because there were dozens and dozens of
- 19 documents, and he could not delve on this any particular topic,
- 20 and he amounted the last two-day hearing was a mere press
- 21 conference. I did not actually intend to interrupt, but I simply
- 22 find that the intervention by Mr. Vercken was not appropriate.
- 23 [11.39.31]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Is there any issue for the international defence counsel for Mr.

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- 1 Nuon Chea?
- 2 MR. IANUZZI:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. President. I apologize for speaking without my
- 4 microphone, but I was just trying to make the point that my
- 5 colleague, Mr. Vercken, raised a new issue, and that issue was
- 6 whether or not parties would be able to object to the documents,
- 7 and I completely agree.
- 8 This morning is the very first time anyone on this stage heard
- 9 that from you, Mr. President. It was never communicated to the
- 10 parties. Had it been communicated to the parties, obviously -
- 11 obviously all of us on this side of the stage would have made
- 12 objections, would have made substantive comments, would have
- 13 responded, reacted -- done something in response to what
- 14 happened. What was communicated to us was a document
- 15 presentation.
- 16 And I think my friend's use of the word "press conference" is
- 17 quite accurate. It was simply to show document, without comment,
- 18 without debate. That was what we were told.
- 19 [11.40.35]
- 20 So, for you, Mr. President, to tell us this morning -- again, at
- 21 a very late hour -- that all of a sudden it's an adversarial
- 22 hearing, I find it remarkable remarkable. You are a remarkable
- 23 Presiding Judge truly.
- 24 (Judges deliberate)
- 25 [11.43.20]

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 I hand over to Judge Silvia Cartwright. You may proceed, Your
- 3 Honour.
- 4 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 5 Yes. Thank you, President.
- 6 The Chamber is going to deliberate on the recent comments made by
- 7 counsel for Nuon Chea and give it its its response after the
- 8 lunch adjournment.
- 9 In the meantime, Mr. Prosecutor, do you have the reference,
- 10 please?
- 11 MR. RAYNOR:
- 12 Your Honour, 10th of October, the prosecutors placed before the
- 13 Court two English summaries of "Revolutionary Flags". They made
- 14 it plain, when doing so they made it plain, when doing so, that
- 15 these were English summaries that the Prosecution thought had
- 16 been prepared either by Stephen Heder or Professor Ben Kiernan.
- 17 So, those were the references to Mr. Heder that day.
- 18 [11.44.20]
- 19 The document numbers for those two issues of "Revolutionary Flag"
- 20 are E3/724 and E3/731. Can I say that, whilst we're dealing with
- 21 Stephen Heder and Your Honours' earlier ruling in relation to
- 22 documents authored by Stephen Heder for the purposes of the
- 23 document presentation hearing, there's an obvious difference
- 24 between a record of an interview taken down by Mr. Heder and a
- 25 document such as "Revolutionary Flag", which we believe the

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- 1 summary of which came from Stephen Heder.
- 2 Can I say, whilst on my feet, please, Your Honour, that the
- 3 Prosecution would have had comments to make about Mr. Vercken's
- 4 summary of this hearing. A document hearing is putting evidence
- 5 before a Court; it's not a press conference. And he might well
- 6 dwell upon a particular moment from a previous, very famous,
- 7 international court trial, when an English judge called Richard
- 8 May was dealing with the former President of Serbia, Mr.
- 9 Milosevic, and made it absolutely plain that the purpose of
- 10 counsel in these trials is not, to use an English phrase, to
- 11 showboat. The purpose of this document hearing was to put
- 12 admissible, relevant documents before the Trial Chamber that Your
- 13 Honours had not seen before.
- 14 [11.45.54]
- 15 I find it sad that defence counsel feel, in response to that
- 16 legitimate, legal exercise, the need to showboat and preen their
- 17 feathers. Perhaps it's time for defence counsel to put their
- 18 peacock feathers in and for us all to concentrate on the
- 19 evidence.
- 20 MR. VERCKEN:
- 21 May I say a very brief word without engaging in any polemics, Mr.
- 22 President?
- 23 Without engaging in any controversies, I would like to respond to
- 24 the last statement by the prosecutor and I would like to assert
- 25 here that the Chamber -- or Ms. Lamb, who represents the Chamber

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- 1 -- told us during our consultations prior to the hearings -- we
- 2 were told that the documents presentation hearing neither had to
- 3 do with the submission of documents nor the discussion of the
- 4 probative value of those documents. We were told that the
- 5 documents presentation hearing was aimed at enabling the public
- 6 to take stock of the documents, most of which already have
- 7 reference numbers, which you are aware of, Mr. President. The
- 8 purpose of this hearing was to enable the Cambodian public to
- 9 better understand the documents used before the Chamber.
- 10 [11.47.42]
- 11 Today, in in a very oblivious manner, my learned friend of the
- 12 civil parties said: "That is not at all the case; in fact, what
- 13 has occurred before the public over the past two days has been
- 14 proceedings, judicial proceedings."
- 15 May I and I have adhered to what the Senior Legal Officer
- 16 announced, and we're not talking of proceedings or adversarial
- 17 debates, insofar as we're not discussing the validation of
- 18 documents with E3 reference numbers, nor the probative value of
- 19 those documents. In that regard, I think the discussion was
- 20 closed, unless you clarify the matter, Mr. President, and put an
- 21 end to any further misunderstandings.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Counsel Ang Udom, you may proceed. You have already heard the
- 24 comment made by the Prosecution.
- 25 MR. ANG UDOM:

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- 1 Mr. President, I know that the hearing that has been conducted
- 2 since the 10th of October was, according to the letter by the
- 3 Senior Legal Officer, not the hearing about the possibility of
- 4 rejection or admission of certain documents; it was a mere
- 5 documental a mere hearing to listen to the various documents to
- 6 be put before the Chamber, the documents that have not been put
- 7 before the witnesses who have come to testify in this Court
- 8 before.
- 9 [11.49.52]
- 10 And just now the President made it clear that for the document
- 11 written by two experts, Mr. Philip Short and Mr. Stephen Heder --
- 12 should not now be appropriate to put before the Chamber, since
- 13 the Chamber has not yet determined whether or not these two
- 14 experts are to be called to testify before this Court. That is
- 15 the first thing.
- 16 But my question was that on the 10th of October, the Prosecution
- 17 put a document written by Mr. Stephen Heder. That was the
- 18 interview with Mr. Ieng Sary. And he read out a portion of this
- 19 interview with Mr. Ieng Sary out in the open Court. I was
- 20 wondering why he was allowed to do that, and I don't know whether
- 21 or not there was an opportunity for us to object such a document
- 22 and reading.
- 23 And, yes, now the Prosecution also made it clear in the Court
- 24 that they refer only to the "Revolutionary Flags", but to me, it
- 25 was not confined to the "Revolutionary Flags"; there were

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- 1 statements and interviews written by the two experts, as well.
- 2 And you also mentioned that those documents were accorded the E3
- 3 classification.
- 4 So, my question is: When the Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil party,
- 5 particularly the International Lead Co-Lawyer, who mentioned
- 6 certain documents that were not accorded the E3 classification
- 7 yet, but those documents were allowed to read in open Court --
- 8 and I was wondering why there were such a controversy in the
- 9 presentation of the document. I do need the clarification from
- 10 the Chamber. And, if my understanding is incorrect, please advise
- $11 \quad \text{me.}$
- 12 [11.52.01]
- 13 I don't know whether or not the documents that are being put
- 14 before the Chamber are not subject to a rejection. I would like
- 15 to know whether or not the hearing here is all about the
- 16 presentation of the documents, and parties are not allowed to
- 17 object against the presentation of the documents. And I wonder
- 18 why certain documents are allowed to read out and others are not.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 The Chamber has made it clear already in relation to the two
- 21 documents, and Judge Jean-Marc Lavergne also clarified the issue.
- 22 And as for the document in relation to the application to join as
- 23 a civil party, the Chamber has admitted, and there was subject to
- 24 adversarial hearing, as well. And you may have already been well
- aware that there have been more than 4,000 applicants to join as

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- 1 the civil parties.
- 2 And we have classified certain documents with the E3
- 3 classification. And as for -- the annexes to those documents may
- 4 be used in certain cases, particularly the document relating to
- 5 the application to join as the civil parties.
- 6 [11.53.32]
- 7 And I divide it into precise two points, one relating to the
- 8 experts and the other relating to the documents that parties are
- 9 supposed to put before the Chamber. And parties are allowed to
- 10 put this document at appropriate time in the proceeding. That is
- 11 meant to facilitate the flow of the hearing.
- 12 And on a separate issue, party ask us -- and if they wish to make
- 13 observation on certain documents presented, they can do so, but
- 14 they are not going to discuss the probative value and weight of
- 15 those documents. The parties were not supposed to assess the
- 16 probative value or weight of the evidence because this is not at
- 17 the closing stage of the proceedings.
- 18 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 19 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 20 Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to clarify the title of
- 21 the document that the Prosecution put before the Chamber in
- 22 relation to the interview by Mr. Stephen Heder. It's document
- 23 E3/89.
- 24 And just now I heard from the President very clearly, but I have
- 25 to double check with that. This is the hearing to present

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- 1 documents; it is not the hearing to admit or reject any
- 2 documents. And, if you do not mind, please clarify this.
- 3 [11.55.33]
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 It is true; we have not rejected any document presented by the
- 6 parties, but the Chamber asks us to defer two documents. The
- 7 documents relating to the witness who may be subject to be
- 8 summoned by the Chamber, we have to take into consideration the
- 9 circumstances involved with the summoning of those two experts.
- 10 And Mr. Philip Short has already been summoned, but due to his
- 11 busy schedule, we defer his testimony to early 2013.
- 12 And as for the other expert, we have advised the parties that he
- 13 is under the consideration by the Chamber -- whether or not to
- 14 summon him to testify. And Judge Jean-Marc Lavergne has already
- 15 clarified that very precisely and he also asked the parties to
- 16 profer the Chamber with documents as well, at appropriate times,
- 17 when we hear we may hear this testimony, sometime in 2013.
- 18 [11.56.55]
- 19 The Mr. Prosecutor, do you have any issue to raise? Otherwise,
- 20 the time is also appropriate now for a break.
- 21 MR. RAYNOR:
- 22 No. Thank you, Mr. President.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 25 MR. IANUZZI:

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- 1 Thank you, Mr. President. Just two points today, before we sit
- 2 down.
- 3 I take Mr. Raynor's point, that there's a difference between an
- 4 article authored by an expert and an interview conducted by an
- 5 expert. The point I was trying to make the point I was trying
- 6 to make is that we would have all done well to have been notified
- 7 in advance of the parameters.
- 8 And the difference that I that I accept, it's not a fatal
- 9 difference. There are still potential issues with an interview
- 10 conducted by a person who is not an OCIJ investigator, if that is
- 11 in fact the rationale for not hearing or for not discussing a
- 12 report prepared by an expert. If the rationale for not discussing
- 13 a report prepared by an expert is that he's not here, then that
- 14 same rationale should apply to interviews conducted by that
- 15 expert who was not a judicial officer at the time of conducting
- 16 interviews.
- 17 [11.58.18]
- 18 I hope I'm making myself clear.
- 19 I do take Mr. Raynor's point, but it was not the point that I was
- 20 trying to make. It was not the point that I was trying to make.
- 21 If we're to be prohibited from discussing documents, we should be
- 22 told that in advance and we should be given reasons as to why
- 23 we're prohibited so we understand it, so it's clear for the
- 24 record, so we can make appropriate motions and/or appeals. That's
- 25 my complaint. That is my complaint.

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- 1 And, of course, my final application for the morning is that Mr.
- 2 Nuon Chea be permitted to spend the afternoon in the holding
- 3 cell. He's suffering from a headache, a backache, and a general
- 4 lack of concentration. I may do well to retire to the holding
- 5 cell myself. Enjoy your lunch, everyone.
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 The time is now appropriate for lunch break. The Chamber will
- 8 adjourn now until 1.30 this afternoon.
- 9 This afternoon, the Chamber will hear the testimony of one civil
- 10 party.
- 11 And the Chamber notes the request by Mr. Nuon Chea, through his
- 12 defence counsel, to follow the proceeding remotely, through
- 13 audio-visual means, for the remainder of today's proceedings, due
- 14 to his health concerns.
- 15 The Chamber grants the request of Mr. Nuon Chea. He may follow
- 16 the proceeding from the holding cell downstairs through
- 17 audio-visual means for the remainder of today's proceedings.
- 18 [12.00.05]
- 19 Mr. Nuon Chea has expressly waved his right not to be present
- 20 directly in this courtroom. The Chamber requires that the defence
- 21 team for Mr. Nuon Chea to submit to the Chamber immediately the
- 22 waiver with the thumbprint of signature of the accused Nuon Chea.
- 23 AV booth are instructed to link the audio-visual means to the
- 24 holding cell downstairs, where Mr. Nuon Chea can follow the
- 25 proceeding remotely for the remainder of today's proceedings.

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- 1 Security guards are instructed to bring the co-accused Mr. Nuon
- 2 Chea and Khieu Samphan to the holding cell downstairs. Mr. Nuon
- 3 Chea is to remain in the holding cell for the remainder of
- 4 today's proceedings, and Mr. Khieu Samphan is to be brought to
- 5 this courtroom before 1.30 this afternoon. The Court is now
- 6 adjourned.
- 7 (Court recesses from 1201H to 1344H)
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Please be seated. The Court is back in session.
- 10 As I advised the parties and members of the public this morning,
- 11 that -- this afternoon the Chamber will hear the testimony of one
- 12 of the civil parties, TCCP-169.
- 13 And before I call in this civil party, the Chamber wishes to
- 14 pronounce two rulings.
- 15 And, in this respect, I hand over to Judge Jean-Marc Lavergne to
- 16 pronounce the ruling on two issues:
- 17 1) The presentation of the documents by David -- by Heder, Mr.
- 18 Heder; and
- 19 2) The warning of the Chamber against the international defence
- 20 lawyer for Mr. Nuon Chea, Mr. Andrew Ianuzzi.
- 21 [13.46.22]
- 22 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 23 Thank you very much, Mr. President.
- 24 First and foremost, with respect to the observations made by the
- 25 defence lawyers with respect to the presentation made by the

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1 office of the Co-Prosecutors of an interview involving the

- 2 accused Mr. Ieng Sary conducted by Mr. Steve Heder, upon
- 3 verification, the Trial Chamber acknowledges that, in effect,
- 4 document E3/89 is indeed the said interview that was used by the
- 5 International Co-Prosecutor during the hearing of the 10th of
- 6 October.
- 7 Nevertheless, the Chamber does not intend to amend its decision
- 8 to postpone the presentation of Nuon Chea's document
- 9 presentations of the written documents authored by Mr. Steve
- 10 Heder until the Chamber decides that the concerned person shall
- 11 be summoned to testify.
- 12 [13.47.34]
- 13 The Chamber intends to clarify that such postponement is entirely
- 14 consistent with the good administration of justice and that it
- 15 serves to avert repetitious arguments before this Chamber and
- 16 does not in any way curtail or have a detrimental effect on the
- 17 rights of the Defence to refer to such documents at an
- 18 appropriate time.
- 19 With respect to the second oral decision of this Chamber,
- 20 concerning Counsel Andrew Ianuzzi, sir, would you kindly rise?
- 21 Over the course of this morning's hearing, Counsel Ianuzzi,
- 22 international counsel for the defence of the accused person Nuon
- 23 Chea, proceeded once again to make several and various comments
- 24 with the view to contest or criticize the decisions that had just
- 25 been issued by the Chamber with respect to the conduct of

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1 proceedings. On many occasions, counsel had been forewarned that

- 2 such behaviour and such comments were inappropriate and that he
- 3 was no longer authorized to continue.
- 4 [13.49.01]
- 5 In addition to these comments, he addressed the President in a
- 6 repeated manner by qualifying the President of this Chamber as a
- 7 "remarkable" Judge. The manner in which such comments were
- 8 uttered and the tone with which counsel delivered such comments
- 9 and addressed the President leaves no doubt of the discourteous
- 10 and disrespectful nature of his comments and is entirely
- 11 insulting towards the President and, indeed, the entire
- 12 composition of this Chamber.
- 13 Because of the entirely inappropriate and unacceptable behaviour
- 14 of the lawyer, the Chamber solemnly and hereby warns Counsel
- 15 Ianuzzi that, pursuant to Rule 38 of the Internal Rules with
- 16 respect to misconduct of a lawyer, continuance of such behaviour
- 17 may lead to refusal of his participation in the Chamber and a
- 18 refusal to be given audience.
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Court officer is instructed to usher in the civil party,
- 22 TCCP-169, to -- into the courtroom.
- 23 (Witness enters courtroom)
- 24 [13.51.45]
- 25 QUESTIONING BY THE PRESIDENT:

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- 1 Good afternoon, Civil Party.
- 2 Q. What is your name?
- 3 MS. YIM SOVANN:
- 4 A. Good afternoon, Mr. President. My name is Yim Sovann.
- 5 Q. Thank you. Can you tell the Court when you were born?
- 6 A. I was born on the 5th of October 1960.
- 7 Q. Where were you born?
- 8 A. I was born in Preah Traeng village, Setbou commune, S'ang
- 9 district, Kandal province.
- 10 Q. Thank you. Where is your current address?
- 11 A. My present address is at house number 20, Village 4, Street
- 12 136, in Sangkat Phsar Kandal, Phnom Penh.
- 13 Q. What is your occupation?
- 14 A. I stay at home.
- 15 [13.53.34]
- 16 Q. What is your father's name?
- 17 A. My father's name is Touch Sum and my mother's name is Touch
- 18 Ly.
- 19 Q. How about your husband? What is his name? And how many
- 20 children do you have?
- 21 A. My husband's name is Kem Leang, and I have three children.
- 22 Q. From the 17 of April 1975 to the 6th of January 1979, where
- 23 did you reside and what did you do?
- 24 A. From 1975 through 1979, I was a farmer and I was labelled at
- 25 the 17 April People. And I lived in Phnom Penh.

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- 1 Q. Now, how about the period between the 17 of April 1975 through
- 2 1979? Where did you reside and what did you do?
- 3 [13.55.12]
- 4 A. From the 17 of April 1975 until the 6th of January 1979, I
- 5 left Phnom Penh and I resided in Pouthi Ban commune, S'ang
- 6 district, Kandal province, and then I left Pouthi Ban commune and
- 7 I went to live in Kandieng district, Pursat province. And in 1979
- 8 I returned to Phnom Penh.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 In your capacity as the civil party, you may express the
- 11 sufferings and the harms you have sustained materially and
- 12 psychologically, which may be the direct injury sustained from
- 13 the crimes committed during the period of the Democratic
- 14 Kampuchea. And you have been accorded status as the civil party,
- 15 and this is the time when you can express yourself in support of
- 16 the prosecution of the crimes committed by the alleged Accused,
- 17 namely Mr. Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan, and Ieng Sary. So, it is the
- 18 opportunity for you to express your suffering.
- 19 And, Prosecutors, please be advised that in accordance with Rule
- 20 91bis, you will be given the floor first to put question to the
- 21 civil party because the prosecutor were the moving party. As for
- 22 the civil party lawyers, you will be given half a day to put the
- 23 questions to the civil party.
- 24 I note the defence counsel is on his feet. You may proceed.
- 25 [13.57.42]

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- 1 MR. IANUZZI:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, everyone. I just have a
- 3 very brief comment to make about what you've just said, and
- 4 please do not take this, in any way, as a criticism.
- 5 I heard you say "crimes--"
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 This is not the right time for you to raise any comment because
- 8 your time has not yet come, and now it is the turn of the
- 9 Prosecution to put the questions.
- 10 So, Mr. Prosecutor, you may proceed.
- 11 You are not granted the floor to raise this observation because
- 12 the proceeding we are conducting now is the testimony of the
- 13 civil party, and now it is the turn of the Prosecution. You may
- 14 proceed.
- 15 MR. IANUZZI:
- 16 I don't want to ask any questions, Your Honour. I do not want to
- 17 ask any questions. I want to simply make a comment about what
- 18 you've just said. So I think -- really, I think this is the
- 19 appropriate time.
- 20 [13.58.42]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 You are not allowed to have the floor, because I am conducting
- 23 the hearing now, and we are hearing the testimony of the Civil
- 24 Party Yim Sovann, and now it is the turn of the prosecutor. The
- 25 prosecutor is the party given the floor first to put questions to

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- 1 the said civil party.
- 2 International Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil party, you may
- 3 proceed.
- 4 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 5 Yes, Mr. President. I crave you indulgence. We and the
- 6 Prosecution have decided to adopt a working method that took into
- 7 account the instructions of the Chamber and we have decided that
- 8 the civil parties would start the examination of the civil party,
- 9 followed by the prosecutor.
- 10 Is it possible to proceed in this manner, since we had receive
- 11 instruction from you regarding this matter?
- 12 (Judges deliberate)
- 13 [14.00.30]
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 You may proceed. The Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties may
- 16 proceed with the questioning of the civil party.
- 17 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 18 Mr. President, as usual, may I inform you that the examination of
- 19 the civil party will be by Mr. Sam Sokong and myself.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 22 QUESTIONING BY MR. SAM SOKONG:
- 23 Good afternoon, Mr. President, Your Honours, and good afternoon,
- 24 Civil Party Yim Sovann.
- 25 Q. I have a number of questions to ask you that -- I would like

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- 1 to divide it into three parts. The first part, I would like to
- 2 ask you what happened before 1975.
- 3 [14.01.52]
- 4 My first question for you is: Before 1975, where did you live?
- 5 MS. YIM SOVANN:
- 6 A. Before 1975, I lived in Preaek Traeng, S'ang district of
- 7 Kandal province.
- 8 Q. At your location in Kandal town, what was the situation there
- 9 then?
- 10 A. In my district, it was very hard. There were -- Khmer Rouge
- 11 solider and Lon Nol soldiers were at war in the battlefield. And
- 12 I fled to Phnom Penh in 1972 and I continued to stay in Phnom
- 13 Penh until 1975. And my family status and condition were also the
- 14 same, and we were in a medium situation.
- 15 Q. When you moved to Phnom Penh in 1972, were you a student or
- 16 were you doing any job by that time?
- 17 A. When I moved in Phnom Penh in 1972, I was not a student
- 18 because I could not afford to go to school. I have a lot of
- 19 difficulty then.
- 20 Q. Question to you is that, when you arrived in Phnom Penh, you
- 21 lived in Phnom Penh. So, can you tell the Court, what was Phnom
- 22 Penh like at that time?
- 23 [14.04.28]
- 24 A. When I was there, my uncle, my aunty in Banteay Sloek -- it
- 25 was called "Intendance" (phonetic) -- and another barrack, it was

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- 1 called Q.G. I was there for about a few months, and then the
- 2 Khmer Rouge soldier assault the barrack, and Phsar Daeum Kor was
- 3 on fire, and I moved then to Olympic Stadium under the support by
- 4 CARE, the organization to provide food for the refugees at the
- 5 time.
- 6 Q. You said that there was fighting. So, who were the parties to
- 7 the fighting?
- 8 A. During the night, I do not know where the shelling were coming
- 9 from, but they were targeted at Lon Nol's residence. They start
- 10 from 9 o'clock p.m. until 12 o'clock, midnight. I was very scary
- 11 (sic), very terrified and Phsar Daeum Kor -- Daeum Kor Market was
- 12 on fire.
- 13 Q. What did you see at the hospital or in the street? Were there
- 14 any sick people, or the corpse, or any people get injured?
- 15 A. Yes. At the hospitals, there were the injured people and
- 16 corpse all over the hospitals.
- 17 Q. Before 1975, meaning that -- before the 17th of April 1975,
- 18 what did (sic) your father's business or job?
- 19 [14.07.12]
- 20 A. I know that my father was a spy. Only people in my family
- 21 would know that. He was also a farmer from the people from
- 22 outside.
- 23 Q. Now, I am moving to part number 2. I would like to ask you
- 24 certain questions regarding the fourth evacuation.
- 25 My first question for you is that, when the Khmer Rouge soldiers

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- 1 arrived in Phnom Penh, did you see the situation in Phnom Penh?
- 2 Were there any still fighting between the Khmer Rouge soldiers
- 3 and the Lon Nol soldiers?
- 4 A. On the 17 of April 1975, the Khmer Rouge soldiers arrived in
- 5 Phnom Penh. The Lon Nol soldiers and the Khmer Rouge soldiers
- 6 were not in fighting because the Lon Nol soldiers were defeated
- 7 and surrendered. But the Khmer Rouge soldiers violated the
- 8 soldiers of the Lon Nol and the people. I was terrified.
- 9 [14.08.57]
- 10 Q. You said that in 1975, on the 17 April, there was no fighting
- 11 because Lon Nol soldier was -- surrendered. In this surrender,
- 12 were -- the Lon Nol soldiers were treated well or were they
- 13 tortured or executed?
- 14 A. I witnessed those events in front of Preah Puth Pagoda. I was
- 15 young. I took my sister to find my uncle because he was a soldier
- 16 and he was defeated from Kab Srov Dam. I saw those Khmer Rouge
- 17 soldiers and I was wondering why they were in black uniform, in
- 18 short hair, and they were fully armed, and I saw the tank, and I
- 19 saw them beating people with a gun -- with a rifle. I don't know
- 20 why they violated the soldiers and also the 17 April People. I
- 21 don't know why they hate us as the 17 April People, why they
- 22 consider us as the sworn enemy of them.
- 23 Q. On the 17 of April 1975, in your family and including
- 24 yourself, was there anyone came over to your house to ask you to
- 25 leave your house?

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- 1 [14.11.17]
- 2 A. I don't know who they were, I just heard that they called
- 3 themselves "Comrade Brother, Comrade Brother" and they came from
- 4 the different direction.
- 5 And my father tried not to leave. It was in the evening -- in the
- 6 afternoon, about 3 o'clock. My father refused to leave, and I
- 7 observed that, and they came with rifle and some dry rice and
- 8 they told my father, "You must leave; if you don't do so, the
- 9 Americans will drop the bomb on Phnom Penh". And my father rushed
- 10 to pack the bag, and to collect some rice, and try to move out
- 11 from my place, and it was very miserable to leave.
- 12 Q. Can you tell the Court that -- you say there were -- different
- 13 groups came over to your house. So, what are they, in different
- 14 uniform or -- can you describe to the Court?
- 15 A. I don't know who were they, but they were all in black
- 16 uniform.
- 17 Q. When you saw them in black uniform, were they armed at the
- 18 time?
- 19 A. Yes, they were armed, including men and women with the red
- 20 scarf, and they were fully armed. I don't know those groups
- 21 belong to what command, or division, or whatever.
- 22 Q. When they arrived at your house and you saw that they were
- 23 fully armed, what -- did they told you to leave Phnom Penh,
- 24 especially to leave away from your house?
- 25 [14.14.03]

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- 1 A. They told us that the Upper Angkar asks us to leave. We asked
- 2 them, "Where can we go?" And they told us to "Go to your home
- 3 village for just three days; if you decide to stay, the Americans
- 4 may drop the bombs and kill you". And we asked them, "Where are
- 5 you from?", and they refused to give us any response.
- 6 Q. Other than your family members and you, yourself, what
- 7 happened to other Phnom Penh residents? Were -- they faced the
- 8 same situation like yours?
- 9 A. In general, the 17 April People were in the same situation as
- 10 they were living there in Phnom Penh.
- 11 Q. When the Khmer Rouge soldiers told you to leave your house,
- 12 did they leave you enough time how many hours -- so that you
- 13 can pack your luggage or prepare to leave?
- 14 A. They gave us only 15 minutes. If we refuse to leave, they will
- 15 enforce their measure.
- 16 I saw, in Ou Ruessei Market, one of the houses was locked when I
- 17 returned from the market. When they knocked the door and the door
- 18 was not open, and -- they shot the lock, and when the people came
- 19 out, they shot the people to death, and I ran away from the
- 20 scene.
- 21 [14.16.35]
- 22 Q. When you left your residence, your house, did you witness
- 23 anything at the hospital, including the sickness (sic), were also
- 24 evacuated out of the hospital?
- 25 A. Yes, I saw, at Borei Keila Hospital, the wounded soldiers were

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- 1 there, and the Khmer Rouge soldiers were there, pushed them to
- 2 drop them from the bed, and some of the wounded people were taken
- 3 away with their relatives, whereas the others were left there
- 4 with no relative, were left behind to be death (sic) in the
- 5 hospital.
- 6 Q. In that hospital, can you tell the Court where it was?
- 7 A. That hospital, during the Lon Nol regime, it was in Borei
- 8 Keila Complex. It was one of the military hospitals in Borei
- 9 Keila. It belonged to Lon Nol army. I don't know the name, but I
- 10 just know it was in Borei Keila Complex.
- 11 [14.18.28]
- 12 Q. When you were evacuated and also your family members left your
- 13 house, where did you leave? And what is your direction at that
- 14 time?
- 15 A. On 17 of April 1975, at about 3 p.m., I and my family members
- 16 left alongside Phsar Depou Market, and we went toward Stueng Mean
- 17 Chey, and we were blocked, and then we turn to Ou Baek K'am, and
- 18 then we try to see my uncle who was in the military unit there,
- 19  $\,$  and I found no-one there, but what I saw -- were corpses over
- 20 there. And my father decided to continue toward Pochentong
- 21 Airport on the road. And I saw corpses of soldiers along the
- 22 road. I was very traumatized. I didn't see my uncle then.
- 23 So, when we there at Pochentong and we went over and reached So
- 24 Khuon (phonetic) Pagoda and we try to stay there for about four
- 25 to five days. And then the Khmer Rouge soldiers tell us -- told

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- 1 us to move on, and we ask, "Where should we go?", and they told
- 2 us that, "Wherever you want to go, you can do that".
- 3 [14.20.42]
- 4 We tried to go to our birthplace, but we were prohibited because
- 5 Road Number 3 was blocked and also Number 4 -- Road Number 4 is
- 6 blocked, and there were a flood of people full of the street.
- 7 People died along the street; sometimes there were a kind of
- 8 stampede where people died. I saw people use the car to move out,
- 9 but there were too many people, and the Khmer Rouge soldiers
- 10 grabbed the driver from the car and then shot him to death. And
- 11 the people was very terrified and ran away, and some people get
- 12 lost and family members also lost. What we can do is just to keep
- 13 the small children in our chest and then we try to continue our
- 14 journey along National Road Number 3 for five to six days until
- 15 we reach Steung Kampong Tuol, and we stay there for a while.
- 16 [14.22.25]
- 17 Q. Talking about your travel of your family and other people --
- 18 people from Phnom Penh, where you and where they are travel? Were
- 19 there any transport provided for that evacuation?
- 20 A. The people had to use the means of transport -- for example,
- 21 car. Sometimes they were running out of gas. They tried to use it
- 22 to push it and load it with some stuff. People had to carry stuff
- 23 on the shoulder and on the head. I saw many things.
- 24 Q. For your family, were there any difficulties for your travel
- 25 from one place to another place until you reach the destination?

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- 1 A. My family and other 17 April People were exposed to the same
- 2 difficulty. We were horrified. There's no money, no food, no
- 3 water along the road.
- 4 Q. A while ago, you said that there were many, many people on the
- 5 road, and there was also stampede, and there were the sick
- 6 people, and also people died during those evacuations. Were (sic)
- 7 the sick people get any treatment from the Khmer Rouge soldier or
- 8 the Khmer Rouge during your trip?
- 9 [14.25.09]
- 10 A. No, there was none.
- 11 Q. Based on your observation when you were travelling on the
- 12 road, you saw the corpses. Were those corpses civilian corpses or
- 13 military corpses of the Lon Nol soldiers?
- 14 A. I saw those corpses along the road at the airport. They were
- 15 in uniform -- military uniform, and I didn't dare to go close
- 16 because I was scary (sic) and I tried to stay away from that.
- 17 Q. When you saw corpses along the road and also the wounded
- 18 people, did you witness anyone prepare any funeral or bury any
- 19 corpse at all?
- 20 A. No, not at all. When I was evacuated along the road, there was
- 21 no funeral of any kind under Khmer tradition.
- 22 Q. If those corpses were not collected or were not kept in the
- 23 right order, were they scattered everywhere or they were piled up
- 24 in such a condition?
- 25 [14.27.32]

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- 1 A. I found the corpses were scattered everywhere. No-one take
- 2 care of the corpse or organize any funeral at all.
- 3 Q. You said that those corpses were scattered everywhere and you
- 4 said that at the time there were too many people and very crowded
- 5 on the road. Were the corpses stepped on by the people and ran
- 6 over by any vehicle?
- 7 A. No, the corpses were not on the road, they were in the ditch
- 8 or on the roadside. I saw one person was shot to death when he
- 9 was in a car, when the car was pushing by other people, and then
- 10 the Khmer Rouge soldier just picking him up and shot him to death
- 11 on the roadside.
- 12 Q. You and your family, when you were evacuated from Phnom Penh,
- 13 can you go to the destination you wished to go?
- 14 A. We wished to go to Setbou village of S'ang district, but we
- 15 could not go there. We went to another district.
- 16 [14.29.52]
- 17 Q. When you arrived, your destination, as prepared by other
- 18 people, were there any arrangements for you to stay and live
- 19 there?
- 20 A. No, there were no arrangements or organization at all, so we
- 21 just been there and had to live there.
- 22 Q. When you lived there, what was the condition of your living at
- 23 that place?
- 24 A. As I am one of the 17 April Persons, I arrived later than
- other people. I went to Kaoh Thum district in S'ang, so I was one

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- 1 of the last to arrive. I stayed in Sampan Leu Pagoda. I spent
- 2 there for one night. I heard people say that when you are there,
- 3 Angkar are there to receive you, and they told me that they cook
- 4 the rice mixed with corn and they are -- they were ready for you.
- 5 When I saw the rice cooked mixed with the corn, I was crying, and
- 6 my father told me that he want to try to cross the river to
- 7 another side of the river to find his friend, and then we crossed
- 8 the river to stay in Pouthi Ban village.
- 9 [14.32.03]
- 10 And then the Base People there, even though my uncle's friends
- 11 try to cause trouble to us, they try to ask from us clothing --
- 12 any valuables they want they wanted. They feel -- disliked us.
- 13 They search us for anything of value and they express hatred
- 14 against us. And they made us to work without providing any tools
- 15 and they blame us for being 17 April People, for being bad
- 16 people. I don't understand why they considered us like this. I
- 17 tried to work until I felt sick, and when I felt sick, they
- 18 forced me to lie down in the sun and they insulted me by saying I
- 19 am -- have a kind of ideological fever -- it's not a real fever.
- 20 Q. My last question to you in relation to your eviction out of
- 21 Phnom Penh and you got to Kaoh Thum and you said that you lost
- 22 your parents then. Do you know why your parents were executed?
- 23 [14.34.19]
- 24 A. I'm sorry; I do not understand your question. Can you please
- 25 repeat it?

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- 1 Q. When you were being evicted out of Phnom Penh, according to
- 2 your earlier statement, you said that you were evicted to stay at
- 3 Phum Kuon (phonetic) and Kay Roung village and pagodas, and then,
- 4 finally, you reached Kaoh Thum district. Along the long journey
- on foot, were there any members of your family died along the
- 6 way?
- 7 A. When I reached Kay Roung Pagoda, we stayed there for three
- 8 days, and then we were moved again out of the place. And we
- 9 actually intended to go back to our home town but we were not
- 10 allowed to go, so we continue our journey to Samraong Yaong. Then
- 11 we moved on from Samraong Yaong to -- further to another place I
- 12 cannot recall.
- 13 [14.35.34]
- 14 So, we had to travel on foot the whole day and we could not reach
- 15 that destination, and we were too exhausted at that time. And
- 16 then people took us by an ox-cart, and my father told people who
- 17 came to take us that we could no longer walk on foot because my
- 18 younger brothers and sister were too exhausted already. So my
- 19 father took the watch off his hand and then gave it to them, and
- 20 they took us all the way to Preaek Ambel. And then they would not
- 21 they did not allow us to go to the direction we wanted to go,
- 22 actually, but we had to beg them to let us go.
- 23 And then we met the Khmer Rouge soldiers. They ordered that we
- 24 stay there on a short period of time, and then we will move again
- 25 to Sampan to -- on a boat, and then we reach another bank of the

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- 1 river.
- 2 But on this journey, none of our family members died.
- 3 Q. This is my last of the last questions. When you eventually
- 4 reached the destination you were supposed to go, did the Khmer
- 5 Rouge soldiers convene you and your families to a meeting where
- 6 your family's biographies were taken?
- 7 [14.37.39]
- 8 A. When we reached Pouthi Ban commune, we met people who order
- 9 that we prepared our biographies. We attended a meeting, and in
- 10 -- following the meeting, they told us to submit our biographies,
- 11 and then we were made to work immediately. They made us work in
- 12 the field immediately after that.
- 13 MR. SAM SOKONG:
- 14 Mr. President, that is all for me, for the civil party, but I
- 15 would like to hand over to my esteemed colleague. But before I
- 16 finish, I would like to thank the civil party, Ms. Yim Sovann,
- 17 for answering my questions.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 The time is now appropriate for an adjournment. The Chamber will
- 21 adjourn now until 3 o'clock this afternoon.
- 22 But before we adjourn, the Chamber wishes to advise the
- 23 Co-Prosecutors as well as the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyer that you
- 24 have only one more hour to go, so please consult with one another
- 25 as to the time allocation between your two teams. Thank you.

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- 1 The Court is now adjourned.
- 2 THE GREFFIER:
- 3 (No interpretation)
- 4 (Court recesses from 1439H to 1500H)
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Please be seated. The Trial Chamber is back in session.
- 7 And the floor is now given to the Lead Co-Lawyer for civil
- 8 parties so that you can put questions to the civil party here.
- 9 You may now proceed.
- 10 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 11 Yes, Mr. President, thank you.
- 12 I have heard that we must complete before 4 p.m. We started
- 13 rather belatedly this afternoon; I crave the Court's indulgence
- 14 to grant us a bit more time than the time allotted to us, since
- 15 we started rather late. I will try to proceed rapidly.
- 16 OUESTIONING BY MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 17 Good afternoon again, Madam.
- 18 Q. I would like us to revisit some of the questions that were put
- 19 to you on the first part after Phnom Penh. I'd also like to talk
- 20 about your departure from Phnom Penh.
- 21 Please tell us how many brothers and sisters you had at the time
- 22 of your departure from Phnom Penh.
- 23 MS. YIM SOVANN:
- 24 A. I have three younger brothers -- I'm sorry, I have two younger
- 25 brothers, two sisters. When it was in 1975, I have another

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- 1 younger brother.
- 2 [15.02.48]
- 3 Q. Thank you. You made mention of persons who came to your home
- 4 and who were dressed in black clothing. Were they soldiers?
- 5 A. Yes. Those who told us to leave Phnom Penh, they were in black
- 6 uniform with a red scarf around their necks. I know they were the
- 7 Khmer Rouge soldiers, but I do not know which unit were they
- 8 from.
- 9 Q. It is not necessary for you to specify that. Please tell us,
- 10 how old were they? Were they rather young or rather old?
- 11 A. Some of them were rather old, some of them rather young, but I
- 12 cannot tell you the exact age of those people.
- 13 Q. When you were told to leave your home, what were you
- 14 authorized to take along with you?
- 15 A. They told us to leave and that we do not need to take more
- 16 property with -- because you were required to leave only for
- 17 three days to avoid the bombardment from American.
- 18 Q. When your father refused to leave, did the Khmer Rouge
- 19 soldiers threaten your father?
- 20 [15.05.19]
- 21 A. When my father refused to leave and he asked those comrades to
- 22 delay his journey and -- they told him that you have to leave
- 23 because the Upper Angkar needs you to leave; if you decide not to
- 24 do so, they will enforce a measure against you, and we have no
- 25 choice. As we receive a severe threat, we had to prepare and pack

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- 1 our things and leave.
- 2 Q. Did they tell you what measures they were going to take
- 3 against you?
- 4 A. The Khmer Rouge soldier told us that if you decide not to
- 5 leave, you will be shot to death. We were accused of being
- 6 enemies, for being Lon Nol soldier or the enemy, and we had to
- 7 leave.
- 8 We wished to go back to our home village, but we could not do
- 9 that. So, if you want to proceed one direction, they detour us to
- 10 do to go in a different direction.
- 11 Q. And your neighbours, those who were on the same street with
- 12 you or in your neighbourhood, did they leave in the same manner
- 13 as yourself?
- 14 [15.07.19]
- 15 A. My uncles and auntie were also evacuated and they were
- 16 evacuated to the vicinity of my area, but later we were
- 17 separated, we get lost. We do not know where they were.
- 18 Q. How about others who were not members of your family who lived
- 19 on your street and in your neighbourhood? Did they have to leave
- 20 as well?
- 21 A. Yes. When the Khmer Rouge arrived at any place or location,
- 22 those places or locations was evacuated, and the people in the
- 23 town were all evacuated. So, my family was the one who left
- 24 behind the other.
- 25 Q. Madam, did you have the means to drink water during your

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- 1 journey from Phnom Penh to wherever you had to go?
- 2 A. During that evacuation, we did not have water to drink. When I
- 3 was in Vihear Khuon (phonetic) Pagoda, we had to drink water from
- 4 the pond, but there was a little water, we had to use it -- very
- 5 limited water.
- 6 [15.09.44]
- 7 Q. A while ago, you made mention of the sick, and you answered a
- 8 question put to you by my learned colleague, and you said that no
- 9 care was provided for the sick when you left Phnom Penh. Did they
- 10 take care of the elderly?
- 11 A. The sick and the elderly people were not treated by any Khmer
- 12 Rouge at all during the 17 April 1975, so they had to leave on
- 13 their own. Anyone who can leave, it's okay for them to leave. If
- 14 you could not, you had to enjoy the fate as you were.
- 15 Q. How about women who were pregnant?
- 16 A. I do not know. I did not pay any attention to this matter
- 17 because there were too many people; I could not identify a
- 18 pregnant woman. So, I was not interested in notice that.
- 19 [15.11.20]
- 20 Q. What happened if you could not help the elderly, the sick,
- 21 people who were tired? What did such people do?
- 22 A. I don't know about that because my family requested other
- 23 people to transport some of my luggage and stuff.
- 24 Q. Madam, you left Phnom Penh in an initial trip. Can you list
- 25 the places you went through until you got to Po village at a

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- 1 point in time?
- 2 A. From the beginning, I passed Depou Market, and then I pass
- 3 Stueng Mean Chey, and then Ou Baek K'am Barak, and then Wat
- 4 Vihear Khuon (phonetic) Pagoda, and then I continued to Steung
- 5 Kampong Tuol, and then Wat Tuek Thla.
- 6 And I have to follow my father and -- to Chrey Pnov (phonetic)
- 7 Mountain, along National Road Number 3, and I stay at Kay Roung
- 8 Pagoda. And then we went to Samraong Yaong, and then we arrived
- 9 Prey Lvea.
- 10 The whole night -- after the whole night, we arrived Stueng
- 11 district, and then we arrive Preaek Ambel, and then we arrive
- 12 Sampan Pagoda, and then Pouthi Ban Pagoda. It is called Village
- 13 Number 5, Kaoh Thum district, Kandal province.
- 14 Q. How long was that after that first trip, Madam?
- 15 [15.14.03]
- 16 A. I do not remember the duration because when I arrived Vihear
- 17 Khuon Pagoda, it was late in the evening. I stayed there for
- 18 about five to six days, and then we continue to Tuek Thla Pagoda
- 19 and Steung Kampong Tuol for about a week, and then we just try to
- 20 continue our journey after we were forced to do so. We spent
- 21 about one month to reach Pouthi Ban, Village Number 5.
- 22 Q. Thank you. For how long were you at that village, Village
- 23 Number 5?
- 24 A. I stayed in Commune Number 5 of Pouthi Ban village (sic). It
- 25 was about early 1976. It was from April -- early May until early

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- 1 1976, and we were then evacuated from Pouthi Ban to Pursat
- 2 province, in Kandieng district, in the cooperative named Kbal
- 3 Chheu Puk.
- 4 [15.15.54]
- 5 Q. Madam, I would like us to dwell on Village Number 5, where you
- 6 stayed from May to early -- that is, May 1976 to November 1976 --
- 7 that's six months. You stated that you stayed in that village and
- 8 you were referred to as the 17 April People and you were called
- 9 "bad people". How were those people called -- those people in the
- 10 village -- when you arrived?
- 11 A. As we were the 17 April People, we're the people evacuated
- 12 from Phnom Penh, and the villagers at that village were called
- 13 the Base People. I just learned that the people there was called
- 14 the Base People in S'ang, Preaek Touch.
- 15 Q. Thank you. Were the 17 April People treated differently from
- 16 the Base People? And if yes, can you please give us some examples
- 17 to illustrate that point?
- 18 A. As far as I understand, the 17 April People were considered as
- 19 enemies of the Khmer Rouge, and the Base People were the people
- 20 of the Revolution. And the 17 April People were considered as
- 21 enemies, feudalists, capitalists. I didn't understand then why we
- 22 were treated in this manner. We were not capitalists or
- 23 feudalists; we were also poor people in Cambodia. I didn't
- 24 understand at that time.
- 25 [15.18.20]

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- 1 Q. And did you have to travel (sic) more than the Base People in
- 2 that village? And did you receive less food than the Base People?
- 3 A. Yes. For the 17 April People, we have to look for food on our
- 4 own and we didn't have enough to eat. The Base People have -- had
- 5 enough to eat because they have rice store -- in the storage for
- 6 themselves.
- 7 Q. And when you arrived at the village, did you remain with your
- 8 parents or were you separated from your family?
- 9 A. At the beginning, we were living together.
- 10 [15.19.52]
- 11 Q. Were you told to work in a particular unit?
- 12 A. Later, I was assigned to work in a female unit and I was not
- 13 allowed to come back home. It was a special unit. I don't
- 14 understand what it was, but I was in a female unit at that time.
- 15 Q. Thank you. Did your younger siblings receive any education or
- 16 schooling during the time that you lived in that village?
- 17 A. No, there was no education. I saw people called the 18 April
- 18 People -- or 17, but the 17 April People got no chance to go to
- 19 school.
- 20 Q. Did you receive a political education?
- 21 A. There were self-criticism meetings. I was criticized at all
- 22 time for being lazy in doing the work -- the labour work. Most of
- 23 the time, they criticized the 17 April People. I don't know why
- 24 they tried to cause a lot of trouble to the 17 April People. I
- 25 don't understand about that.

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- 1 [15.22.14]
- 2 Q. Earlier you said that your younger brother was born in 1975.
- 3 Are you able to tell us where and when, exactly, your younger
- 4 brother was born?
- 5 A. No, I don't remember, but I know he was born late 1974 (sic).
- 6 It was -- we were evacuated to Pursat province.
- 7 Q. I would just seek one clarification, Madam. I've heard that he
- 8 was born in 1974, following your fleeing from -- from Pursat,
- 9 rather. So, was he born in 1974 or in 1975?
- 10 A. It was late 1975 because I was second evacuation to Pursat, my
- 11 youngest brother was very young. He was born in late 1975.
- 12 Q. Thank you very much. And during the time of his birth, was
- 13 your mother cared for by a doctor?
- 14 A. I saw a female medic, also a military, who was a village
- 15 midwife, but I didn't see any medicine given to my mother, but I
- 16 saw a village midwife to do the job to help my mother with that.
- 17 [15.24.31]
- 18 Q. How old was the military midwife?
- 19 A. She was about 20 years old or more. She looked rather young,
- 20 but she was about in the late 20.
- 21 Q. Thank you.
- 22 In the same village where you resided for approximately  $\sin x$
- 23 months, did you observe any arrests being made in Village Number
- 24 5?
- 25 A. I don't know about that because I was living in a different

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- 1 location.
- 2 Q. Mr. President, with your leave, I wish to read a passage from
- 3 the written record of witness interview made before the
- 4 Co-Investigating Judges. It is document D246/4, French ERN
- 5 00544455 (sic); in English, 00379313; and in Khmer, 003724 (sic).
- 6 Mr. President, do I have your leave to quote from the document?
- 7 [15.26.28]
- 8 Madam Yim Sovann, may I just remind you of what you told the
- 9 Co-Investigating Judge -- Judges when you were interviewed by
- 10 them?
- 11 The question put to you was: "Did you see the Khmer Rouge
- 12 mistreat or abuse anyone during the six months that you were
- 13 there?"
- 14 You answered: "In the village, there was a security centre which
- 15 was called 'Centre 15'. I do not recall where exactly it was
- 16 located, whether or not it was in Village Number 1 or Number 2,
- 17 since my house was located next to the river. And I saw people
- 18 being transported; their hands were tied behind their backs. They
- 19 were taken to the security centre."
- 20 You were then asked the following question: "What happened to the
- 21 people who were taken to the security centre?"
- 22 You answered -- and I quote: "These people were accused of being
- 23 'enemy elements' and taken to the security centre. They had no
- 24 hope for survival. People who were taken there always
- 25 disappeared."

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- 1 [15.27.42]
- 2 You were then asked: "Did you ever witness an execution of a
- 3 prisoner during the six months in [Pouthi Ban]?"
- 4 You answered: "No, never, I just saw people being taken to the
- 5 security centre."
- 6 Madam, do you hereby confirm what you stated before the
- 7 Co-Investigating Judges?
- 8 A. I saw that, but in Village Number 5 I'm not quite sure who the
- 9 victim was. But my house was at the riverbank, and I saw people
- 10 were tied up and taken away. I saw people being transported by
- 11 boat from the other village. And the place called "Munti" 15, I
- 12 just saw that "Munti" 15, but I never witnessed any execution
- 13 because I passed by the Office 15. I saw the office, but not
- 14 witness any execution.
- 15 [15.29.05]
- 16 Q. Thank you. You remained in the village for six months and then
- 17 you left. Can you please provide us the reasons why you had to
- 18 leave the village?
- 19 A. At the time, they evicted us. And, actually, we wanted to ask
- 20 them to stay behind, but they told us that we were not allowed.
- 21 If we wanted to stay, we would be asked to stay in Office 15 --
- 22 Security Office 15, so we had to move in line with the Party's
- 23 direction. So our entire family decided to leave.
- 24 And at that time I was in the female unit and I was told by my --
- 25 by people around me, particularly the leader of my unit, that

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1 this was the second wave of evacuation from this place and I told

- 2 my team leader -- my unit leader that I would leave. Even if I
- 3 were asked to stay, I would not stay; I would have to move on.
- 4 And then, at that time, they sent a boat to take us across the
- 5 river to the other side of the riverbank. And then we saw a truck
- 6 over there, but they did not take us immediately when we reached
- 7 the other side of the riverbank; we had to wait for a few more
- 8 days. And I met a friend of my father's, who told us that we must
- 9 not stay in that place; we had to move to Pursat province
- 10 because, in Pursat province, there were plenty food over there;
- 11 if we stayed here, we would die eventually. So, at that time, we
- 12 decided to leave for Pursat province. So we got on the truck and
- 13 we were driven past S'ang, Ta Khmau, Wat Sleng, and finally we
- 14 reached the railway station, and we had to wait over there, at
- 15 the railway station.
- 16 [15.31.45]
- 17 Q. Were you given any reasons for which you had to leave and why
- 18 there was a second wave of evacuations that was discussed by your
- 19 leader?
- 20 A. That, I did not know the reason. They only told us that there
- 21 would be the second wave of evacuation of the 17 April People,
- 22 and I did not understand the motive of the order. They labelled
- 23 us as the "17 April"; probably they could have considered us as
- 24 the enemy of the Khmer Rouge soldiers. Actually, they did not
- 25 only consider the soldiers of the former regime as the enemy of

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- 1 the Khmer Rouge, but they also considered the 17 April People as
- 2 the enemies of them, as well.
- 3 Q. Do I understand correctly, Madam? Are you saying that only the
- 4 April 17 People were forced to transfer?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. And during the second journey, did you receive medication,
- 7 care, water, provisions, food?
- 8 A. I stayed at Sampan Leu Pagoda, and they gave us 3 kilograms of
- 9 rice per family. We were given this rice when we got on the
- 10 truck. And then, at the railway station, we stayed outdoors,
- 11 waiting for the train to arrive. And while we were waiting, we
- 12 were not given any water to drink; we had to drink from the pond.
- 13 And then, when we got on the train, we were given one loaf of
- 14 bread, and that was it.
- 15 [15.34.26]
- 16 Q. You stated that your younger brother was born at the end of
- 17 1975 and that he was only about three months old when you left.
- 18 Did he receive any special care? Was any special care dispensed
- 19 to mothers and, particularly, young children?
- 20 A. My mother took care of him, but my mother did not have enough
- 21 breast milk to feed him because she was skinny and too exhausted
- 22 at that time. Nobody took care of the baby and her, and she had
- 23 to live her life all on her own at that time.
- 24 Q. Did you have the opportunity to buy sustenance, medication, or
- 25 milk during either first or second journeys?

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- 1 A. No, no, not at all. At that time, money was abolished.
- 2 Following the 17 of April 1975, currency was abolished, so we
- 3 could not buy anything.
- 4 [15.36.03]
- 5 Q. Were you able to exchange goods?
- 6 A. No, we did not barter anything. With the second wave of
- 7 evacuation of the 17 April 19 -- we did not exchange any goods.
- 8 Some families had hidden some things with them, so they could
- 9 feed themselves along the way, but as for my family, we had
- 10 nothing left with us; we were barehanded.
- 11 Q. Madam, I wish now to discuss the second location where you
- 12 lived up until the end of -- the end of the Khmer Rouge regime,
- 13 which is the following cooperative; I believe it's called Kbal
- 14 Nuk Chuk (sic) -- and please pardon my pronunciation.
- 15 Now, in that cooperative, were your siblings placed within
- 16 special units?
- 17 A. I was evicted and I stay in one cooperative in 9 (sic)
- 18 Commune, Pursat province, in Kbal Chheu Puk cooperative. When I
- 19 stayed there for about four -- three or four months, then they
- 20 separated my siblings. My younger brother was separated and he
- 21 was attached to a child mobile unit. And I, myself, was
- 22 separated, but I did not join the special unit. And my father was
- 23 also split from us, so he joined another unit.
- 24 [15.38.22]
- 25 Q. Thank you. And what were the living conditions like for the

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- 1 April 17 People who were transferred to that particular
- 2 cooperative? What were the lodgings like? And how often were they
- 3 fed?
- 4 A. In Kbal Chheu Puk Cooperative, they built small huts for the
- 5 New People and we were given a room -- small room each. But my
- 6 father told me that even if we were not given rice to eat, so
- 7 long as we live close to the river stream, then we could find
- 8 something to eat, so life would not be as miserable as when we
- 9 were living in Kaoh Thum district.
- 10 Q. Thank you.
- 11 I wish now to talk about your father and your sister. What
- 12 happened to your father in that cooperative?
- 13 [15.39.45]
- 14 A. In that cooperative -- it was in 1978. It was toward the end
- 15 of 1978, but at that time, to my recollection, it was the time
- 16 when we transplanted rice and seedling. And at that time, one
- 17 night, my father was asked to mine the rice field because they
- 18 told him that there would be enemy penetrating. So they asked my
- 19 father to wait and stay in one of the dining halls. And there was
- 20 a cook by the name of Oeun (phonetic) who killed the cook unit at
- 21 that time. So, early in the morning, my father told me that Koeun
- 22 attacked his unit head, and then he had to send him to the
- 23 hospital -- cooperative hospital.
- 24 And then another village head by the name of Rith went to visit
- 25 Koeun at the hospital and he asked why he had hidden enemy within

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1 his work, and he told the village head that we did not hide any

- 2 enemies behind. And they keep accusing him that he had hidden the
- 3 enemies and he threatened him of being taken away. So he ask and
- 4 beg him, and everyone was accusing him of hiding the enemy.
- 5 So, one day, I went along with my father to meet with them, and
- 6 then my father was in a very sad and depressed mood, and it was
- 7 the day when they arrested my father. At that time, they did not
- 8 tell my father to go to the rice field.
- 9 [15.42.00]
- 10 And then, later during the day, I had my lunch, and then I
- 11 returned back to meet my father. But then, on the way, I met two
- 12 militiamen, and they were walking from somewhere. And then I was
- 13 very horrified. I saw my -- I saw Mr. (sic) Vuthy, who told me
- 14 that my father had been tied to the -- to the to a bed. And
- 15 then I was very horrified and I knew that my father had been
- 16 killed. And I burst into tears. But then my villagers told me
- 17 that I must not cry; if I cried, I would be accused of being
- 18 traitor. And then I asked him, "Comrade, whether or not I could
- 19 ask something; if you accuse me of being the enemy--" Rather, my
- 20 -- Loeung (phonetic) told my -- told me that my father had asked
- 21 the militiamen to forgive his family members, including myself as
- 22 well, even if he was killed. So, they tied my father, and then
- 23 they frog-marched my father away with his hands tied to his back,
- 24 and he was imprison at Office 07, and they accused my father of
- 25 being an enemy. At that time, that -- I was crying very hard, I

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- 1 could not do anything to help.
- 2 [15.44.20]
- 3 Q. Madam, you stated that your father was led somewhere and then
- 4 executed. How, exactly, were you able to know that he was
- 5 executed?
- 6 A. They took my father to Banteay Yuon, where the office --
- 7 Security Office 07 was located, and it was the prison centre. And
- 8 I had my sister -- my brother's friends who were working over
- 9 there. Actually, my brother did not see the scene of the
- 10 execution, but another friend of my sister saw that. That night,
- 11 according to her, my father was executed.
- 12 There was an old man, a Chinese old man; he had a watch. Then a
- 13 militiaman asked the watch. And then I was wondering why, at that
- 14 time, corruption was also -- also took place.
- 15 And later on I asked people time and again why they arrested and
- 16 executed my father. They accused my father and others as the
- 17 enemy. But why certain people were released and my father was
- 18 executed? Then they told me that he was -- the gentleman, the
- 19 Chinese man was the former airport director in Siem Reap and he
- 20 had the Mido-made watch and he give it to the militiaman; then he
- 21 was released.
- 22 [15.46.24]
- 23 Q. Thank you, Madam. Were you able to recover the corpse of your
- 24 father and organize a proper burial -- funeral ceremony?
- 25 A. At 07 Security Office, we're strictly guarded, and nobody

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- 1 could approach this place without any permission or authority.
- 2 So, at that time, we could not imagine celebrating any religious
- 3 ceremony to mourn the passing of our relatives. We could not do
- 4 anything about it.
- 5 Q. Thank you, Madam.
- 6 Can you please tell this Court exactly what happened to your
- 7 younger sister? And this will bring me to an end with my more
- 8 difficult questions.
- 9 A. As for my younger sister, she was in the children unit
- 10 attached to Security Office 07. It was the both security office
- 11 and the child unit. And at that time the children working over
- 12 there were given only two ladles of gruel; they were not given
- 13 enough food to eat, and they simply picked the rice that were not
- 14 yet ripe -- but because they were too hungry, they pick the rice
- 15 from the rice corn, and they were accused of being enemy, and
- 16 they were taken away.
- 17 [15.48.35]
- 18 And he -- as for my mother, she had the ring, and they wanted to
- 19 ask for the ring from my mother. Otherwise, my sister would be
- 20 taken away and killed. And that man who threatened to execute my
- 21 sister was the former teacher of mine.
- 22 Q. And what happened afterwards, Madam?
- 23 A. My mother refused to give the ring to them, so they escorted
- 24 -- they frog-marched my sister to Security Office 07 and then
- 25 they were -- she were transfer to Security Office 08, and then

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- 1 she disappear from that time onward. We never see her return.
- 2 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 3 Madam, thank you very much for all of those answers.
- 4 I would now hand the floor over to the Co-Prosecutors, who may
- 5 have supplementary questions.
- 6 But just before concluding, Mr. President, I wish to inform Your
- 7 Honours that Madam Yim Sovann wishes to talk about her suffering
- 8 at the end of -- at the conclusion of the line of questions that
- 9 will be put to her. And we have prepared a written document that
- 10 she may refer to for her ease and comfort.
- 11 Mr. President, do we have your authorization to proceed in such a
- 12 manner? I believe that this was done during Case 001.
- 13 (Judges deliberate)
- 14 [15.51.00]
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Yes, you may proceed.
- 17 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 18 I believe the civil party wishes to make a statement at the
- 19 conclusion of all of the questions to be put to her by all
- 20 parties.
- 21 Madam, I wish to thank you for all of the answers that you have
- 22 provided to us today. Thank you very much.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 I now hand over to the Prosecution. You may proceed, Mr.

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- 1 Prosecutor.
- 2 QUESTIONING BY MR. RAYNOR:
- 3 Mr. President, thank you.
- 4 [15.51.48]
- 5 Q. Madam Yim Sovann, I'd like to take you, please, to your
- 6 earlier statement to the Investigating Judges in this case, and
- 7 the relevant page is the page that has already been quoted. And,
- 8 Madam Sovann, you were talking about the time when you were at
- 9 Pouthi Ban commune and you stated that you remained in Pouthi Ban
- 10 for six months, from May to November 1975; is that correct,
- 11 please?
- 12 MS. YIM SOVANN:
- 13 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 14 Q. You also said in the same statement that your family was given
- 15 a hut to stay in and that this hut was located near the river; is
- 16 that correct?
- 17 A. That is correct. It is adjacent to the river.
- 18 Q. Did you know at that time of an island called Kaoh Kor?
- 19 A. Yes. Kaoh Kor was a village close to my hometown. Kaoh Kor was
- 20 in the upper part of my home village; it was some 30 kilometres
- 21 away from me. And then, later on, I learned from others that Kaoh
- 22 Kor was the execution site.
- 23 [15.53.40]
- 24 Q. When you were living by the river in the hut, you said that
- 25 you saw people being transported by boat to the security centre;

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- 1 is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes, that's correct, I did see it. I did see they transport
- 3 people by boat to the security centre.
- 4 Q. How many times -- how many times, approximately, did you see
- 5 people being transported by boat in this fashion?
- 6 A. I saw it only once.
- 7 Q. Can you give an estimate, please, as to how many people were
- 8 on the boat that you saw?
- 9 A. There were about five to six people.
- 10 [15.55.00]
- 11 Q. Were the five to six people you saw on the boat moving freely
- 12 around the boat or not?
- 13 A. No, they were all tied; their hands were tied to the back. And
- 14 at that time I knew for myself that they -- those people would --
- 15 must have been accused of being the enemies; that's why their
- 16 hands were tied to their back.
- 17 Q. This period is from May to November of 1975. You said in your
- 18 evidence that, as far as you were concerned, the Khmer Rouge
- 19 considered the 17th of April People to be enemy; is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 21 Q. And that, as far as you were concerned, former soldiers from
- 22 the Lon Nol regime were also considered as enemy; is that
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 25 [15.56.31]

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- 1 Q. At this time that you were making these observations of these
- 2 people with their hands tied behind their backs, did you think
- 3 there were any other classes or people of enemy, apart from the
- 4 17th of April and the former Lon Nol soldiers?
- 5 A. I think that from 1975 to late 1976, those who were tied with
- 6 their hands behind their backs were either the 17 April People or
- 7 the Lon Nol soldiers because they were considered enemies.
- 8 Q. In relation to the people that you saw, you said, in relation
- 9 to the security centre: "People who were taken there always
- 10 disappeared."
- 11 Is that correct?
- 12 A. Those who were taken to Security Office 15 disappeared; they
- 13 never returned.
- 14 Q. And so I have it correctly that Security Office Number 15 was
- 15 an office that you actually -- was an office that you saw with
- 16 your own eyes; is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes, that's correct. It was Village 1 and 2, where we went to
- 18 harvest crops over there, so we walked past these two villages,
- 19 back and forth, when we were staying there before we were
- 20 re-evicted to Pursat province. The security centre was located in
- 21 either Village 1 or 2; I do not recall.
- 22 [15.58.55]
- 23 Q. You've spoken already about your father's connection with
- 24 Security Centre 7. And I'm moving now on to the time that you
- 25 were at the second cooperative Kbal Chheu Puk. Now, in relation

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- 1 to that security centre -- and I'm referring to your OCIJ
- 2 statement now, and it's page English ERN 00379315; Khmer,
- 3 00373426; and Khmer, 00373426.
- 4 You said this about Security Centre 7 -- and I quote:
- 5 "Those who were at Security Centre 7 were under close
- 6 surveillance, but still allowed to work. They would be watched
- 7 closely, and if they committed some other offences, then they
- 8 would be sent to Security Centre 8. At Security Centre 8, the
- 9 treatment was miserable for the prisoners; they were handcuffed,
- 10 shackled, and severely tortured."
- 11 Is that correct?
- 12 A. Yes, that was -- that is correct. At Security Centre 07,
- 13 sometimes, the people who steal something to eat were arrested
- 14 for re-education. If people get improved, they were released; if
- 15 they could not do so, they were sent to Security Centre 08.
- 16 Security Centre 07 was in a pagoda, and 07 (sic) was in a
- 17 village.
- 18 [16.01.20]
- 19 Q. I'm still referring to the same page of your OCIJ statement
- 20 and I'm -- it's where you're talking about Security Centre 8. And
- 21 the question was about 500 prisoners being killed at that centre,
- 22 and your reply was -- and I quote: "I saw people who were
- 23 evacuated from the East Zone of Svay Rieng province being tied in
- 24 a line and taken to Security Centre 8 to be executed."
- 25 Is that correct?

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- 1 A. Yes, that is correct. At the time -- it was right before the
- 2 liberation by the Vietnamese troop -- the people were sent from
- 3 Svay Rieng province to Kandieng Cooperative. One day -- I was
- 4 doing the harvesting -- I saw people from the Eastern Zone were
- 5 tied up with both hands behind their backs and transported along
- 6 the rice paddy. And I saw one of the old woman and "How old are
- 7 you, Auntie?" And she told me that she was very thirsty and she
- 8 was from Svay Rieng. And two of the militiamen forced her to go
- 9 as fast as she could. And I realized that those people were sent
- 10 to Security Centre Number 8. And for -- those who were rather
- 11 young were tied up, and tied up in a line, and sent to Security
- 12 Number 8. I saw it with my own eyes.
- 13 [16.03.33]
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Mr. Prosecutor, how much time do you need to put question to the
- 16 civil party?
- 17 MR. RAYNOR:
- 18 Like another three minutes, please, Mr. President.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 The International Defence Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you can
- 21 proceed.
- 22 MR. IANUZZI:
- 23 Thank you, Mr. President. I'm sorry to interrupt the examination.
- 24 I just wanted to clarify whether or not the Prosecution is going
- 25 to remain with this area, because as far as I can tell from this

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- 1 witness's statements to the OCIJ and her testimony today, it
- 2 seems to me that we're in areas of the past -- of 1978. I think
- 3 we've moved into 1978.
- 4 [16.04.32]
- 5 And if that is in fact the case, it would be my submission that
- 6 whatever happened at any crime base in 1978 is outside the
- 7 temporal -- not jurisdiction, the temporal -- the temporal areas
- 8 that this Court is meant to be covering in terms of fact-based,
- 9 crime-based witnesses. We are meant to be focusing on, as I said
- 10 this morning, population movement 1 and 2 and the new security
- 11 centre that has recently been added by the Chamber. So, if we're
- 12 into '78 -- that's our position -- this is irrelevant for this
- 13 trial.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Thank you for your remarks to the Trial Chamber.
- 17 And, Mr. Prosecutor, could you please try to stay within the
- 18 temporal framework regarding this trial segment, regarding forced
- 19 transfer number 1 and number 2? And you seem to move beyond that,
- 20 especially the facts in Pursat; it's related only to Tuol Po
- 21 Chrey.
- 22 Mr. Prosecutor, you may proceed.
- 23 [16.06.04]
- 24 MR. RAYNOR:
- 25 Can I say I understand the objection and, indeed, the ruling that

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- 1 you've given, Mr. President? The purpose for covering that
- 2 briefly, and only in the terms of the witness's statement, was
- 3 given the evidence that she had told the Court about her father
- 4 in that security centre. But I'm going to move on.
- 5 BY MR. RAYNOR:
- 6 Q. Madam Yim Sovann, the commune that you were in at this time,
- 7 Kbal Chheu Puk -- did you hear, in the time that you were at this
- 8 commune, of a place called Tuol Po Chrey?
- 9 MS. YIM SOVANN:
- 10 A. The commune of Tuol Po Chrey, I used to walk and pass by the
- 11 place. It was the place for execution of the Lon Nol soldier. I
- 12 heard from the villagers that this was the place that they killed
- 13 the Lon Nol soldiers. I was sitting for a while and to collect
- 14 the thatch, and when I heard that, I have to move out from the
- 15 site. Yes, it is correct.
- 16 [16.07.45]
- 17 Q. When you were receiving this information about Tuol Po Chrey,
- 18 were you actually in that village when you were being told that
- 19 information?
- 20 A. When I was there to collect the thatch in late 1976, early
- 21 1977, I walked from Kbal Chheu Puk village, and then I went Kaoh
- 22 Kor, and then Pho village -- Phum Pho village. At the beginning,
- 23 I did not remember, but I asked the villagers in Pursat, and they
- 24 told me that it was the execution site. And in late 1976 and
- 25 early 1977, we would walk by the area to collect the thatch to

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- 1 prepare for the roof -- the hut.
- 2 Q. I just want to be clear -- when you were collecting the
- 3 thatch, was Tuol Po Chrey, as far as you were aware, an existing
- 4 execution site at that time?
- 5 [16.09.28]
- 6 A. It was the execution site for Lon Nol soldiers. Because I
- 7 heard from the Khmer Rouge soldiers that any soldier of the
- 8 former regime were needed to work for the new regime, and those
- 9 victims followed their instructions and they were loaded into a
- 10 truck and sent to that area for execution.
- 11 The killing was happening during April of 1975. It took about a
- 12 half month, as I heard from the villagers then.
- 13 Q. So, when you were at that location, did you see any signs of
- 14 the execution having place -- taking place? What I mean is burial
- 15 sites, gravesites, or any other indications that the executions
- 16 had taken place.
- 17 A. I didn't see any scar (phonetic), but the hill that I saw, it
- 18 was covered up -- it's the earth cover up in a place. So, I was
- 19 travelling in a long distance, and I sit in a place, and I met
- 20 the people from Kbal Chheu Puk Cooperative, and they told me that
- 21 their relatives were killed there. That -- that's all I heard
- 22 from them.
- 23 [16.11.42]
- 24 Q. And when we talk about the execution site, was this open land
- 25 or were there any buildings of any description there?

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- 1 A. It was an open field. It was close to Tonle Sap. It was a big
- 2 field of land next to the inundated forest.
- 3 Q. And in the discussions that you had with other people, were
- 4 you given any indication as to the numbers of Lon Nol soldiers
- 5 who had been executed there?
- 6 A. They did not indicate any number; they just told me that they
- 7 saw a truckload of people were sent there. No exact figure was
- 8 given to me. And they said it's not only Lon Nol soldiers; they
- 9 were included -- the civil servants from the former regime were
- 10 all gathered and sent to that site for execution.
- 11 MR. RAYNOR:
- 12 Madam Yim Sovann, thank you very much for asking (sic) my
- 13 questions.
- 14 Mr. President, I apologize if I went over the three minutes
- 15 indicated. Thank you.
- 16 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. Prosecutor.
- 18 [16.13.38]
- 19 I saw you are on your feet, Counsel. Do you have anything to
- 20 address to the Court?
- 21 MR. IANUZZI:
- 22 I do, Your Honour. I have two very brief points.
- 23 The first one, perhaps in the interests of the civil party, we
- 24 have no questions from the Nuon Chea defence team. I'm informed
- 25 from my colleagues on this side of the stage that they have no

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- 1 questions. They will confirm that if necessary. Perhaps the civil
- 2 party could be sent home for the weekend. I don't mean to tell
- 3 you what to do, Mr. President, but--
- 4 (Judges deliberate)
- 5 [16.14.50]
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Thank you for your information.
- 8 Do you have anything to address to the Court?
- 9 MR. IANUZZI:
- 10 Well, I -- as a matter of fact, I do. It was that point I was
- 11 trying to raise earlier. I'm happy to do that on Monday morning;
- 12 it is quarter past 4.00.
- 13 I believe Judge Cartwright's asking you what is the subject
- 14 matter. The subject matter is the issue of your initial comments,
- 15 the introductory comments that you made to this civil party. And
- 16 I'm -- I raise the issue because I assume you're going to be
- 17 making similar comments to other witnesses.
- 18 Now, you will correct me if I'm wrong -- you will correct me if
- 19 I'm wrong -- what I have in my notes is that you referred to
- 20 "crimes committed by alleged accused". So, the problem I have
- 21 with that is -- and this is not a personal attack, Mr. President,
- 22 Judge Cartwright is motioning--
- 23 (Judges deliberate)
- 24 [16.16.06]
- 25 MR. PRESIDENT:

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- 1 Could you please give the subject you would like to address to
- 2 the Court? So what is your topic that you want to -- you wish to
- 3 address to the Court? So I keep reminding you on this matter. Is
- 4 it a problem that you don't understand? Or you would like the
- 5 Trial Chamber to give you another clarification? Or what kind of
- 6 topics you would like to talk? So, to avoid any statement from
- 7 you that may insult the proceedings or criticize the President
- 8 for not being reasonable to stop you.
- 9 MR. IANUZZI:
- 10 Mr. President, first of all, I do not intend to insult the
- 11 proceedings. I apologize if it is now presumed that everything I
- 12 say is insulting.
- 13 I have a very brief application -- a very brief application --
- 14 with respect to something that you said just before this civil
- 15 party -- again, her testimony.
- 16 [16.17.29]
- 17 And, again, let me just try and be very clear -- I'll speak very
- 18 slowly. I heard you say, when you were explaining to this civil
- 19 party what was going to be taking place today -- you said and
- 20 this -- again, please correct me if I'm wrong -- this is what I
- 21 wrote down in my notes: "crimes committed by alleged accused".
- 22 So, the issue -- the problem that I have with that is the lack of
- 23 a qualification in front of the word "crimes". You should have
- 24 said, in my view -- in my view -- any maybe you did, and then you
- 25 will correct me if I'm wrong -- you should have said "alleged

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- 1 crimes committed by alleged accused".
- 2 And just let me explain this to the public. We do not take for
- 3 granted that base crimes, crimes at the base level, were
- 4 committed. Those -- that is still an open question. That is still
- 5 an open question. Whether crimes were committed is an open
- 6 question, and whether anyone is responsible for those crimes is
- 7 an open question. So, that was my complaint.
- 8 And it's -- quite frankly, it's linked to something else -- and
- 9 I'm referring very quickly to document E163/5, and that is a
- 10 "Notification of Decision on Co-Prosecutors' Request to Include
- 11 Additional Crime Sites within the Scope of Trial in Case 002/01".
- 12 And this is with respect to the addition of the "killings at Tuol
- 13 Po Chrey" -- again, "killings" not qualified in any sense --
- 14 "killings that occurred between 1976 and 1977" and "killings at
- 15 Tuol Po Chrey which immediately followed".
- 16 [16.19.09]
- 17 Now, this may seem like a minor point -- this may seem like a
- 18 minor point -- and I'm not trying to be -- how shall I say it?
- 19 Well, I'm not trying to be annoying in any way. I'm trying to
- 20 make it very clear -- very clear -- for everyone's sake, for the
- 21 public's sake, that we need to speak in the language of
- 22 allegations, accusations, and that goes for base crimes, just as
- 23 it does for levels of responsibility with respect to these
- 24 individuals who are sitting behind me -- well, there's only one
- 25 here right now. But I hope I'm making my point and I hope I'm not

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- 1 being offensive in any way.
- 2 I think it's very important that a judicial chamber, a chamber
- 3 composed of judges, really focuses on the proper language so as
- 4 not to give the impression to the public that any of you up there
- 5 have already decided that crimes were committed, killings
- 6 occurred. Those are open questions.
- 7 I think I've made my point; I hope I have. And that's all I have
- 8 for today. Thank you.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 [16.20.26]
- 12 National Defence Counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary, you may proceed.
- 13 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 14 Your Honours, we support the request by Andrew Ianuzzi.
- 15 Until now, after the questioning by the civil party lawyer and
- 16 the prosecutor, we don't have any question to put to this civil
- 17 party. We reserve our right to ask questions if we found that the
- 18 Judges ask questions that related to our case, and then we can
- 19 decide to ask questions.
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 I need to hear from the defence counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan. Do
- 22 you have any remark to make to the Court now?
- 23 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 24 Thank you, Mr. President. We don't have any question to ask this
- 25 civil party.

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- 1 [16.21.38]
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 Counsel, you may proceed.
- 4 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 5 Thank you, Mr. President. I have a remark to make.
- 6 Whatever may be the merits of my learned friend's comments, this
- 7 is not the time to make remarks. The witness is still here with
- 8 us, and her testimony is very difficult, very important. I think
- 9 these discussions could take place on another occasion,
- 10 particularly since we are beyond the time. It is rather late in
- 11 the day. There will be time for us to reflect on these matters.
- 12 And in that case, the witness should come on Monday rather than
- 13 have her present her final statement at this point in time.
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 [16.22.58]
- 17 To indicate well about your rights as civil party, you can
- 18 express your sufferings -- miserable suffering that she suffered,
- 19 moral damage, material damage, as direct suffering from the
- 20 crimes occurred, and the suffering remain until today that she
- 21 apply to act as civil party in relation to the crimes charge Mr.
- 22 Ieng Sary, Khieu Samphan, and Nuon Chea and the crimes occur
- 23 during the DK period, in the Case File 002/1, especially in the
- 24 facts of transfer phase 1 and phase 2, from April 1975 until
- 25 1977. You have to express your suffering within this period of

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- 1 time. This is for the civil party we have today.
- 2 And as for other civil parties, we include the -- the killing
- 3 site Tuol Po Chrey. So, the civil party who has suffering or
- 4 damages with Tuol Po Chrey, they can express suffering in
- 5 relation to that killing site, especially to the loss of their
- 6 relatives at the killing site of Tuol Po Chrey.
- 7 [16.25.25]
- 8 And it is now appropriate to adjourn the hearing for today. And
- 9 the hearing will resume on Monday the 22nd of October, from 9
- 10 o'clock, and we will hear civil party TCCP-25.
- 11 And, Madam Yim Sovann, your hearing regarding your testimony is
- 12 concluded, but the Court allows you to express your suffering.
- 13 But the time today is not allowed, and the Trial Chamber invites
- 14 you to come again on Monday so that you can express your
- 15 suffering at the beginning of the hearing on Monday.
- 16 The Court Officer, please cooperate with the WESU to take the
- 17 civil party to her residence and bring her back on Monday the
- 18 22nd, before 9 a.m. in the morning.
- 19 And the security quard is instructed to bring the Accused back to
- 20 the detention facility and bring them back on Monday of next
- 21 week, before 9 o'clock.
- 22 The Court is adjourned.
- 23 (Court adjourns at 1627H)

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