

**Cour
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**International
Criminal
Court**

Original: **English**

No.: **ICC-09/03-21/10**

Date: [1st March 2024]

TRIAL CHAMBER

Before: Judge _____, the Presiding Judge
Judge _____, and
Judge _____,

SITUATION IN

IN THE CASE OF

THE PROSECUTOR v. Jules Verne

PUBLIC

Clarification Order released on Procedure of the Trial of Jules Verne

To be notified, in accordance with Regulation 31 of the *Regulations of the Court*, to:

The Office of the Prosecutor

Counsel for Jules Verne

Legal Representatives of Victims

Legal Representatives of Applicants

Unrepresented Victims

**Unrepresented Applicants for
Participation/Reparation**

The Office of Public Counsel for Victims

**The Office of Public Counsel for
the Defence**

States Representatives

Others

REGISTRY

Registrar

Counsel Support Section

Victims and Witnesses Unit

Detention Section

**Victims Participation and Reparations
Section**

Trial Chamber - I ("Chamber") of the International Criminal Court ("Court"), in the case of *The Prosecutor v. Jules Verne*, having regard to Articles 64, 67 and 68 of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ("Statute"), Rule 140 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence ("Rules") and 54 and 56 of the Regulations of the Court ("Regulations"), issues the following decision:

- The Chamber duly recognizes the complexity of the issues involved in the Trial of the accused. These complexities range from the charge confirmed against the accused as well as time constraints in conducting the Trial. Moreover, various applications have been filed by the Prosecutor, as well as the Defence seeking clarifications on certain procedural aspects of the Trial.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS,

THE PRESIDING JUDGE,

1. DECIDES to adopt the Official Compromis as well as the Rules of the Tenth Symbiosis Law School, Pune - International Criminal Trial Advocacy Competition, 2025 as the authoritative text, for the Trial of Mr. Jules Verne.
2. DECIDES to adopt the following Directions pertaining to the conduct of proceedings in the Trial of Mr. Jules Verne.

Done in English and the same being the authoritative text.

Judge _____
Presiding Judge, Trial Chamber I
International Criminal Court

Dated this March 1, 2024

At The Hague, Netherlands

1. For the sake of clarity, it is further reiterated that no questions pertaining to jurisdiction of the Court regarding charges confirmed / proposed, including but not limited to the Principle of Legality and/or Article 22 of the Rome Statute shall be raised before the Trial Chamber at any stage.
2. The Witness Profiles given in the Official Compromis shall constitute a basic framework/guideline for Participants to prepare their line of questioning with respect to the Examination-in-Chief/Cross Examination as well as the Witness Briefing.
3. In pursuance to Rule 5 read with Rule 9 of the Rulebook, only 2 participants of a team would be allowed to assume the role of speaker in each preliminary round. The third participant (if any) can switch the position of researcher to speaker in any of the other rounds. A speaker is not permitted to conduct both Examination in Chief and Examination in a Trial. Similarly, one speaker is not permitted to make both the opening and the closing statements in a Trial.
4. In addition to this, the judges of each trial chamber possess autonomy in conducting their respective chambers. Therefore, participants are directed to collaborate and adapt to the judges' guidance accordingly, and providing feedback at the end of each round is solely at the discretion of the judges. Furthermore, if provided, feedback should not be interpreted as an assessment of merit in relation to the competition.
5. In reference to Rule 10.3. of the Rulebook, the order and the allotted time for the Preliminary Round(s), Semi-Final Round(s) and the Final Round is now as follows:

PARTICULARS	TIME LIMIT
WITNESS BRIEFING	30 Minutes (prior to the commencement of the proceedings in the Trial chamber)
REGISTRAR CALLS TO ORDER, CALLS CASE AND COUNSELS INTRODUCE THEMSELVES	01 Minute
ICC PROSECUTOR'S OPENING STATEMENT	05 Minutes
VICTIM(S) COUNSEL'S OPENING STATEMENT	05 Minutes
DEFENSE'S OPENING STATEMENT	05 Minutes
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF PW- 1 BY ICC	08 Minutes

PROSECUTOR	
CROSS EXAMINATION OF PW - 1 BY VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF PW – 1 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	06 Minutes
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF PW- 2 BY ICC PROSECUTOR	08 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF PW - 2 BY VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF PW – 2 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	06 Minutes
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF VW – 1 BY VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	08 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF VW – 1 BY ICC PROSECUTOR	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF VW – 1 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	06 Minutes
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF VW – 2 BY VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	08 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF VW – 2 BY ICC PROSECUTOR	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF VW – 2 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	06 Minutes
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF DW – 1 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	08 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF DW – 1 BY ICC PROSECUTOR	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF DW – 1 BY	06 Minutes

VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	
EXAMINATION IN CHIEF OF DW – 2 BY DEFENSE COUNSEL	08 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF DW – 2 BY ICC PROSECUTOR	06 Minutes
CROSS EXAMINATION OF DW – 2 BY VICTIM(S) COUNSEL	06 Minutes
PROSECUTOR'S CLOSING STATEMENT	10 Minutes
VICTIM(S) COUNSEL'S CLOSING STATEMENT	10 Minutes
DEFENSE'S CLOSING STATEMENT	10 Minutes